

June 10, 2021 The Honorable Eddie Bernice Johnson 2306 Rayburn House Office Building United States House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Frank Lucas 2405 Rayburn House Office Building United States House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515

Chairwoman Johnson and Ranking Member Lucas:

On behalf of ClearPath Action, a 501(c)(4) organization working to advance policies that accelerate clean energy and industrial innovation, I am writing to support the *Department of Energy Office of Science Reauthorization Act*. This bipartisan legislation supports many important federal research facilities and activities that enable clean energy technologies and enhances U.S. competitiveness.

The *Department of Energy Office of Science Reauthorization Act* provides direction for its six major research programs and ensures our premier scientific facilities remain competitive and new facilities are completed on time and on budget. These facilities and the research activities they support are advancing the next generation of energy storage, solar, hydrogen, critical minerals, fusion energy, manufacturing, carbon removal, bioenergy technologies, and much more. The Office of Science represents more than half of the Department of Energy's non-defense research and development budget; keeping its initiatives relevant and agile is critical to preserving U.S. competitiveness and catalyzing American ingenuity.

We look forward to working with you to advance the *Department of Energy Office of Science Reauthorization Act*. Thank you for your continued leadership at the committee to advance energy research and development.

Sincerely,

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cc: Representative Jamaal Bowman

Representative Randy Weber