



July 22, 2019

The Honorable Eddie Bernice Johnson  
Chairwoman  
Committee on Science, Space, and Technology  
2321 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairwoman Johnson:

On behalf of Citizens for Responsible Energy Solutions (CRES) I am writing in support of your legislation to reauthorize the Advanced Research Projects Agency-Energy (ARPA-E) program at the US. Department of Energy. CRES has been a strong supporter of this program and is proud to support this legislation.

ARPA-E takes an innovative approach to funding transformative, early stage energy research in support of American energy security and economic competitiveness. It has been a successful program to-date, leveraging more than \$2 billion in private sector follow-on funding, and a significant number of projects forming new companies and creating jobs. The program is also ensuring U.S. leadership in energy science and technology; ARPA-E projects have submitted 1,724 peer-reviewed journal articles and been issued 245 patents by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

The bill also updates the program to address DOE's nuclear waste clean-up and management issues and authorizes ARPA-E to support projects to improve the resilience, reliability and security of our energy infrastructure.

Thank you again for your leadership, and we look forward to working with you to pass this legislation.

Sincerely,

Heather Reams  
Executive Director