

July 31, 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 the Energy Choice Coalition (EEC) I write in support of your legislation to reauthorize and update the solar, wind, and fossil energy research and development efforts at the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE). The ECC supports investment in research to advance energy technologies that will speed our transition to a lower-carbon economy and is proud to support these bipartisan bills.

H.R. 3597, the Solar Energy Research and Development Act of 2019 would update research, development and demonstration of solar energy technologies at DOE, including a Next Generation Solar Energy Manufacturing Initiative. H.R. 3607, the Fossil Energy Research and Development Act of 2019 would advance DOE's work on the reduction of carbon emissions through the development and demonstration of carbon capture and storage technologies. H.R. 3609, the Wind Energy Research and Development Act of 2019 would update wind programs at DOE and authorize funding for technology incubators to advance development of new wind technologies.

The Energy Choice Coalition appreciates your leadership on these important policies and we look forward to full House passage of this package.

Sincerely,

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