

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

September 18, 2012

The Honorable Speaker John Boehner
United States House of Representatives
H 232, The Capitol
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Speaker Boehner:

Today, over 400 Fort Madison, Iowa workers are receiving pink slips due to Congress' failure to pass an extension of the Wind Energy Production Tax Credit. At the end of August, 76 workers in Cedar Rapids, Iowa were laid off, also as a result of the failure to extend this tax credit. Meanwhile, the Iowa agricultural economy sits in limbo as you refuse to allow a vote on the Farm Bill in the U.S. House.

Once again, I urge you to immediately allow a House vote on an extension of the Wind Energy Production Tax Credit. H.R. 3307, the *American Renewable Energy Production Tax Credit Extension Act*, has 116 bipartisan cosponsors, yet has been bottled up in Committee since November 2, 2011. Iowa workers are suffering, and your political games are directly contributing to job losses in Iowa. I urge you to immediately release your hold, and allow an extension of the wind energy production tax credit to come up for a vote in the U.S. House, where it would pass with a bipartisan majority.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,



Bruce Braley