

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

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The Honorable Dave Camp
Chairman, House Committee
on Ways and Means
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Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Sander Levin
Ranking Member, House
Committee on Ways and Means
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Dear Chairman Camp and Ranking Member Levin:

As you know, last year Members of Congress came together to pass the American Taxpayer Relief Act and preserve critical policies that benefit the American taxpayer, support our economy, and create jobs. Included in this bill was an extension of the tax credit for wind production projects, which in 2012 directly supported 80,700 jobs across our nation and more than 6,000 in my home state of Iowa. As you work to craft a tax-extension package to address expired provisions, I ask that you support the preservation of the production tax credit for renewable energy, including wind.

Preservation of the production tax credit would allow businesses to make critical investments in our nation's energy infrastructure. MidAmerican, for instance, is making an investment of \$1.9 billion to build a 448-turbine energy project across the state of Iowa – increasing clean energy production and creating jobs.

Unfortunately, investors and manufacturers are once again dealing with the expiration of this credit – a credit that historically drives \$15 billion a year on average in private investments into the U.S. economy. The benefits of this industry – local investment, domestic jobs, and energy independence – are exactly what Congress should prioritize. As the House continues to address expiring provisions, I urge you to preserve the production tax credit and the promise it holds for our nation's future.

Sincerely,


Bruce Braley
Member of Congress