

Congress of the United States
Washington, DC 20515

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The Honorable Peter J. Visclosky
Chairman
Energy and Water Development
Subcommittee
2362B Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable David Hobson
Ranking Member
Energy and Water Development
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Dear Chairman Visclosky and Representative Hobson:

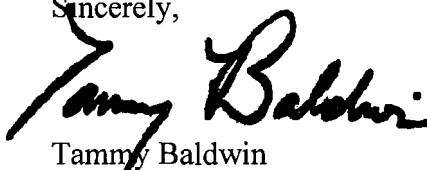
I am writing to encourage you to support industrial energy-efficiency programs within the Energy Independence and Security Act (EISA) and request that you fully fund the waste energy recovery and combined heat and power (CHP) provisions of Subtitle D of the act.

Specifically, the Department of Energy's Waste Energy Recovery Incentive Grant Program, authorized at \$200 million, would promote clean energy projects as well as increase manufacturing productivity. The Department of Energy and Environmental Protection Agency project 200,000 megawatts of clean power available from efficient combined heat and power and waste energy recovery projects. Full appropriations for the incentive grant program would spark tremendous private-sector investment that would cut energy costs to U.S. manufacturers, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, and provide clean base-load electricity throughout the United States.

Furthermore, the Environmental Protection Agency's recoverable Waste Energy Inventory, authorized by EISA at \$1 million, would promote clean energy projects by helping to identify opportunities for efficient combined heat and power and waste energy recovery projects. Such data would facilitate rapid private sector investment in clean, local generation technologies, thereby reducing demand on the nation's energy grid.

Therefore, to ensure the industrial energy efficiency goals of Subtitle D of the Energy Independence and Security Act are met, I urge you to fund the DOE Waste Energy Recovery Incentive Grant program at the \$200 million level authorized by EISA, and similarly to fund EPA's Waste Energy Inventory at the \$1 million authorized by the act. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Tammy Baldwin
Member of Congress