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FY 2009 Funding Request: \$200 million

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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:

The members of the U.S. Clean Heat and Power Association encourage you to support the industrial energy efficiency programs within Section 451 of the Energy Independence and Security Act (EISA) of 2007. Specifically, we ask for your support to fully fund (\$200 million) for fiscal year 2009 the Department of Energy's Waste Energy Recovery Incentive Grant Program, as authorized by the act.

EISA authorized the DOE Waste Energy Recovery Incentive Grant Program at \$200 million for fiscal year (FY) 2009. This program would provide incentive payments of \$10 per megawatt-hour for documented electricity produced from waste energy recovery projects, or for production of thermal energy, or \$10 for each 3.412 Million Btus of excess thermal energy repurposed. As such, the program would promote the deployment of clean, local energy generation technologies, thereby reducing industrial demands upon the national power grid while increasing manufacturing productivity.

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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.

We appreciate your help and consideration.

Sincerely,

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