Congress of the United States

Washington, DC 20515

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Support Research in the Physical Sciences

Support Increased Funding for the Department of Energy's Office of Science

Ensure America's Economic, Energy, Homeland and National Security

Dear Colleague:

Please join me in sending the attached letter to the Chairman and Ranking Member of the Energy and Water Appropriations Subcommittee, urging them to provide a significant increase in funding for the Department of Energy's (DOE) Office of Science.

The DOE Office of Science is the nation's primary supporter of research in the physical sciences, providing an important partner and key user facilities in the areas of biological sciences, physics, chemistry, environmental sciences, mathematics and computing, and engineering. This federal research and development funding goes to scientists and students at our national labs, colleges and universities. Furthermore, the DOE Office of Science supports a unique system of programs based on large-scale, specialized user facilities and large teams of scientists focused on national priorities in scientific research. This makes the Office of Science unique among, and complementary to, the scientific programs of many other federal science agencies, including the National Institutes of Health (NIH) and the National Science Foundation (NSF).

Signing a similar letter in support of increased funding for the DOE Office of Science during at least one of the last two years were Representatives Abercrombie, Ackerman, Andrews, Baird, Baker, Baldwin, Berman, T. Bishop (NY), Boehlert, Boswell, Boucher, C. Brown (FL), Calvert, Camp, Capps, Capuano, Cardin, Cardoza, Chandler, Conyers, Cooper, D. Davis (IL), J. Davis (VA), L. Davis (TN), S. Davis (CA), T. Davis (VA), DeLauro, Dicks, Dingell, Doyle, Duncan, Ehlers, Eshoo, Filner, Ford, Frank, Gilchrest, Gonzalez, Green, Grijalva, D. Hastings (WA), Hinojosa, Holt, Honda, Hyde, Inslee, Jackson-Lee, Jefferson, E.B. Johnson (TX), T. Johnson (IL), Kildee, Kind, Lantos, Larsen, Larson, Lee, Levin, Lofgren, Maloney, Markey, McCarthy, McDermott, McGovern, McNulty, Meehan, Menendez, B. Miller (NC), G. Miller (CA), D. Moore (KS), J. Moran (VA), Nadler, Neal, Pallone, Pascrell, Paul, Payne, D. Price (NC), M. Rogers (MI), Rush, Schakowsky, B. Scott (VA), Sessions, Shimkus, Simmons, Slaughter, A. Smith (CA), C. Smith (NJ), Solis, Stearns, Tanner, Tauscher, M. Thompson (CA), Tierney, M. Udall (CO), T. Udall (NM), Van Hollen, Weller, and Wu.

If you would like to sign this letter or if you have any questions, please contact Paul Doucette in Rep. Biggert's office at 5-3515, Adrienne Rose in Rep. Schiff's office at 5-4176, or Simon Limage in Rep. Tauscher's office at 5-1880. **The deadline for signatures is April 22**nd.

Sincerely,

Judy Biggert

Member of Congress

Adam Schiff
Member of Congress

Ellen Tauscher Member of Congress

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