

Congress of the United States
Washington, DC 20515

November 1, 2013

The Honorable Barack H. Obama
President of the United States
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mr. President:

Your 2011 Presidential Memorandum directed federal agencies to use \$2 billion of private-sector financing and expertise to make efficiency upgrades over two years. Through the use of energy savings performance contracts and utility energy service contracts (ESPCs and UESCs) we have witnessed a substantial increase in federal facility upgrades carried out by private-sector entities without any upfront cost to the taxpayer. This two-year commitment has allowed agencies to retrofit buildings, reduce maintenance expenses and cut energy costs without any new appropriated dollars.

We see significant opportunities for the continued utilization of ESPCs and UESCs in federal facilities. Audits completed by federal agencies have identified more than \$9 billion in achievable energy conservation measures. There is still substantial potential for achieving more savings and the success of the past two years' effort has created important momentum that should now be continued.

As the original two year time frame of the federal building initiative draws to a conclusion, we urge you to extend the goal for performance contracting by the federal government. Specifically, we request a new Presidential initiative setting a goal of \$1 billion a year for the next five years for the federal government to utilize performance contracts to achieve energy savings.

We appreciate the work your Administration has done to increase energy efficiency in federal facilities and we look forward to working with you to achieve more.

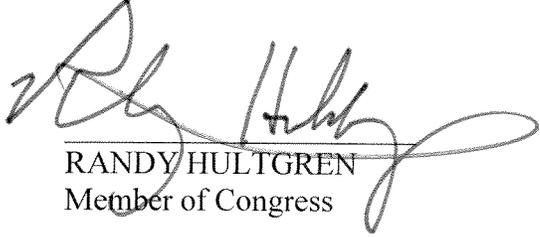
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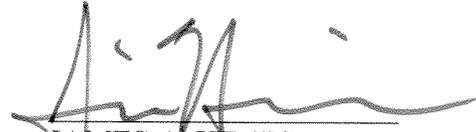
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