

*I, Christopher Whelpton, film director, in Crystal River, Florida, respectfully urge Congress to extend the wind energy production tax credit (PTC) as quickly as possible.*

*The PTC drives billions of dollars in private investment in homegrown American wind power each year. Increasing the amount of power that our country gets from clean, homegrown, affordable resources is an excellent thing for us to do – and this tax credit provides an incentive for the wind industry to continue to do just that. It is a market driven solution to securing our energy needs in the future while reducing our dependence on foreign oil reserves that make our country beholden to regions that do not support our interests.*

*I urge the committee to take up an extension of the wind energy production tax credit right away.*