

I, Mattis Deutch, a student in Oberlin, Ohio, urge Congress to extend the wind energy production tax credit (PTC) as quickly as possible.

Wind is where we need to go from here. Without a feasible clean energy source, we will have to burn fossil fuels that pollute the environment and cause huge loss of life when they are extracted. Here in Oberlin, we burn coal to heat our buildings, and we are about to switch to natural gas. I have seen the destructive effects of gas drilling and hydrofracking myself; I have friends whose water could be poisoned at any time by leaking wells; but we have to get our energy somewhere. If Congress takes away this subsidy for wind energy, we will be stuck between a rock and a hard place, and we will be contributing to the destruction of our own backyard in Ohio.

Please extend the tax credit now, and don't wait until the last minute.

Sincerely,
Mattis Deutch