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Dear Representative Paulsen,

I understand that a Ways and Means Subcommittee Hearing on Certain Expiring Tax Provisions will be held later today, in which you will likely hear from your colleagues about the wind energy production tax credit (PTC). As your constituent, and on behalf of Mortenson Construction, a Minneapolis-based, family-owned company and leading renewable energy contractor, I strongly urge you to support the PTC extension.

The PTC extension is vital to our organization and the 2200 employees currently employed with us. Due to the lack of a PTC extension to date, we currently have no contracts pending to construct wind farms in 2013. The lack of reinstatement of the PTC will significantly impact the livelihood of hundreds of employees, sub contractors and other industry partners. By supporting the extension of the production tax credits you will save jobs and help sustain the delivery of clean renewable energy throughout Minnesota and across the country.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely

Tim Maag
Vice President and General manager

Mortenson Construction is a U.S.-based, family-owned construction company based in Minneapolis, MN with over 2200 full-time employees. As one of the leading renewable energy contractors in the county, Mortenson has constructed over 120 wind projects to date, 21 of which were built in 2011 alone. Due to the lack of a PTC extension, we have no contracts pending to construct wind farms in 2013, which will impact the livelihood of hundreds of employees, sub contractors and other industry partners across the country. We implore our legislators to act quickly to reinstate the PTC to avert the crippling impact to our labor force and the long-term growth of our industry.

