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I, Kathy Nobles, Project Asset Manager, Clipper Windpower Development Company, LLC, 6305 Carpinteria Avenue, Ste 300, Carpinteria, CA 93013, respectfully urge Congress to extend the wind energy production tax credit (PTC) as quickly as possible.

Please act immediately. Letting the PTC expire will mean the loss of thousands of American jobs. Waiting to extend the PTC until after the December 31, 2012 expiration date will cause irreparable damage to the progress and momentum established. A vote for the PTCV is a vote for American jobs and keeps money in America.

The PTC drives billions of dollars in private investment in homegrown American wind power each year. I live in one of the pioneer wind communities, Tehachapi, California, and have been employed in the wind energy industry for 22 years. I have seen the positive impacts of wind energy in my community and other communities – bringing in construction jobs at first, and maintenance jobs in the long term, and generating revenue for our community schools and hospitals over the lifetime of the project. 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.

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

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