

I, Scott Synnestvedt, Electrical Engineer in Fairless Hills PA respectfully urge Congress to extend the wind energy production tax credit (PTC) as quickly as possible.

If we extend the PCT we will:

- Support current employment and growth of employment in the market of wind turbine and wind farm manufacturing and the many auxiliary industries that feed these
- Enable the US to participate and potentially lead in an industry that we *can* compete in internationally
- Develop the technologies that allow us to be more energy independent in the long term, and develop a more robust, distributed grid

If we do not extend the PCT we will:

- Essentially kill the US participation in the global industry of wind power.
- Perpetuate the ignorance of our society by not demonstrating the foresight *required* to achieve a decent standard of living for generations to come.
- Promote the destruction of our environment, by not creating a market outside of fossil fuels. Many 'conventional' energy companies are currently recovering natural gas through 'fracking' which is destroying mountainsides, waterways, ozone and quality of life

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