

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

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The Honorable Donald J. Trump
President
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear President Trump:

We are writing today to express our strong support for the utilization of Energy Savings Performance Contracts (ESPCs) and Utility Energy Service Contracts (UESCs) within the Federal government. These public-private partnerships provide a framework that allows the federal government to modernize federal infrastructure, improve energy and water services, and facilitate national energy security through innovative financing.

Energy performance contracts have accounted for at least \$18 billion in privately financed improvements to federal buildings over the past 25 years. However, the use of performance contracting by the Federal government has been significantly reduced over the last four years despite the overwhelming need of our military and civilian agencies to address \$330.9 billion in deferred property maintenance and repair. Once the Federal government identifies an energy performance contracting opportunity and an agreement is formed, the project is financed and executed by private entities and paid for through future energy and water savings. ESPCs and UESCs reduce the amount of taxpayer dollars spent on energy and water, allowing the federal government to upgrade facilities and meet resource needs without impacting the federal treasury.

While ESPCs and UESCs are authorized by law, their use is almost entirely driven by Executive Branch and agency leadership and commitments, which we believe warrant your support. Until recently, there have been high-level efforts to build on these commitments. President Bush undertook tracking mechanisms and raised encouragement to a secretarial activity at the Department of Energy. President Obama committed to \$4 billion in private sector investment over five years, which was widely encouraged on Capitol Hill by a bipartisan group of 179 Members.

Notably, \$5.2 billion in Federal performance contracting activity was implemented during your first administration, but to the detriment of taxpayers, less than half of that amount has occurred since the beginning of 2021. This decline is particularly concerning, as it flies in the face of congressional intent within provisions of the Energy Act of 2020 (P.L. 116-20, Division Z), which you enacted, directing Federal agencies to get to work and follow statutory requirements to cut costs by leveraging private sector expertise. Audits completed by federal agencies have

identified \$7.9 billion in implementable cost-effective saving measures, which could save the government nearly \$900 million per year on its utility bills if executed efficiently in partnership with the private sector and without the need for new spending.

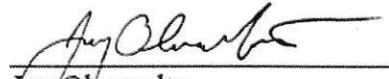
We urge you to continue supporting this type of public-private contracting. ESPCs and UESCs have the co-benefits of achieving energy cost savings, increasing government efficiency, improving facility resiliency and security, and eliminating the need for federal dollars for infrastructure improvements. We believe that your second administration is well-positioned to eclipse your own previous success and that of any other administration while providing billions in government efficiency and eliminating unnecessary government spending.

We look forward to working with your administration to ensure the success of these valuable energy savings financing tools.

Sincerely,



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