

### **Department of Energy**

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Via Email to: kbogardus@eenews.com

Re: HQ-2021-00668-F

This is a final response to the request for information that you sent to the Department of Energy (DOE) under the Freedom. of Information Act (FOIA), 5 U.S.C. § 552. You requested:

Logs of correspondence that record letters from members of Congress to the Department of Energy from April 1 to April 30, 2021.

Your request was assigned to Department of Energy's Office of the Executive Secretariat (ES) to conduct search of the Electronic Document Online Correspondence and Concurrence System at DOE Headquarters, which tracks all correspondence to and from all Offices of the Secretary, Deputy Secretary, and Under Secretaries of DOE, and is where records of such correspondence is likely to be found.

ES conducted a search and identified one (1) document responsive to your request. Upon review, DOE has determined that all responsive documents should be released in its entirety.

The adequacy of the search may be appealed within 90 calendar days from your receipt of this letter pursuant 10 C.F.R. § 1004.8. Appeals should be addressed to Director, Office of Hearings and Appeals, HG-1, L'Enfant Plaza, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, DC 20585-1615. The written appeal, including the envelope, must clearly indicate, that FOIA appeal is being made. You made also submit your appeal by e-mail to OHA.filings@hq.doe.gov including the phrase "Freedom of Information Appeal" in the subject line, (This is the method preferred by the Office of Hearings and Appeal. The appeal must contain all the elements required by 10 C.F.R. § 1004.8, including a copy of the determination letter. Thereafter, a judicial review will be available to you in the Federal District Court either (1) in the district where you reside, (2) where you have your place of business, (3) where DOE's records are situated, or (4) in the District of Columbia.

You may contact DOE's FOIA Public Liaison, Alexander Morris, FOIA Officer, Office of Public Information, at 202-586-5955, or by mail at MA-46/Forrestal Building, 1000 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20585, for any further assistance and to discuss any aspect of your request. Additionally, you may contact the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) at the National Archives and Records Administration to inquire about the FOIA mediation services they offer. The contact information for OGIS is as follows: Office of Government Information Services, National Archives and Records Administration, 8601 Adelphi Road-OGIS, College Park, Maryland 20740-6001, e-mail at ogis@nara.gov; telephone at 202-741-5770; toll free at 1-877-684-6448; or facsimile at 202-741-5769.

The FOIA provides for the assessment of fees for the processing of requests. See 5 U.S.C. § 552(a)(4)(A)(i); see also 10 C.F.R. § 1004.9(a). In our April 3, 2021, letter, you were advised that your request was placed in the "news media" category for fee purposes. Requesters in this category are charged fees for duplication only and are provided 100 pages at no cost. DOE's processing costs did not exceed \$15.00, the minimum amount at which DOE assesses fees. Thus, no fees will be charged for processing your request.

If you have any questions about the processing of the request or this letter, you may contact me or Mr. Llewellyn Smith of my office at:

MA-46/Forrestal Building 1000 Independence Avenue, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20585 (202) 287-6730

I appreciate the opportunity to assist you with this matter.

Sincerely,

Alexander C. Digitally signed by Alexander C. Morris

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FOIA Officer

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• One (1) document is being released in its entirety.

# The Electronic Document Online Correspondence and Collaboration System (eDOCS)

#### **Folder List Report**

1. Title: Letter to Secretary Jennifer Granholm (via email) from Representative Donald Beyer, Jr.

Subject: Following up on the recently released Government Accountability Office Report ELECTRICITY GRID

CYBERSECURITY - DOE Needs to Ensure Its Plans Fully Address Risks to Distribution Systems,

GAO-21-81, March 2021

Control: EXEC-2021-002436

Assigned To:CESERCreated Date:04/21/2021Signature Level:CESERCorrespondence Date:04/20/2021Addressee Office:Jennifer GranholmReceived Date:04/21/2021

Action Requested: Prepare Response Completed Date: [no date provided]

Priority:HighDue Date:06/03/2021Point of Contact:Standley, EricaStatus:openProgram Contact:Source:CC

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#### **Folder List Report**

1. Title: Letter to Secretary Granholm from Senator Patrick Leahy

Subject: Requesting the temporary non-reimbursable detail of Christopher Crowley to the Energy and Water

Development Subcommittee from May 5, 2021 through September 30, 2021

Control: EXEC-2021-002765

CF 05/10/2021 Assigned To: Created Date: CF Correspondence Date: Signature Level: 04/27/2021 Jennifer Granholm 05/10/2021 Addressee Office: Received Date: Action Requested: Prepare Response Completed Date: 05/12/2021 Critical 05/17/2021 Priority: Due Date: Point of Contact: Cunningham, Cindy Status: completed

Program Contact: Source: CC

## The Electronic Document Online Correspondence and Collaboration System (eDOCS)

#### **Folder List Report**

1. Title: Letter to Secretary Jennifer Granholm (via email) from Representatives Haley Stevens

Subject: Writing in support of the joint proposal submitted by BorgWarner, Wolfspeed, Infineon, PolyCharge, National

Renewable Energy Laboratory, and Virginia Tech University for the Fiscal Year 2021 Vehicle Technologies

Research Funding Opportunity Announcement (DE-FOA-0002420)

Control: EXEC-2021-002270

> EE Created Date: 04/15/2021 Assigned To: 04/09/2021 ΕE Correspondence Date: Signature Level:

Addressee Office: Jennifer Granholm Received Date: 04/15/2021 Action Requested: Prepare Response Completed Date: [no date provided]

High 05/27/2021 Priority: Due Date:

Standley, Erica Point of Contact: Status: open CC **Program Contact:** Source:

Letter to Secretary Jennifer Granholm from Senator Marco Rubio 2. Title:

ΕE

Subject: Writing in support of the Florida Institute of Technology (Florida Tech) as it seeks funding from the Industrial

Assessment Center grant program

EXEC-2021-002863 Control:

> Assigned To: Created Date: ΕE 04/23/2021 Signature Level: Correspondence Date: Jennifer Granholm 05/17/2021 Addressee Office: Received Date:

05/17/2021

Prepare Response 06/04/2021 Action Requested: Completed Date: High 06/28/2021 Priority: Due Date: Standley, Erica completed Point of Contact: Status:

CC Program Contact: Source:

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### **Folder List Report**

1. Title: Letter to Secretary Jennifer Granholm (via email) from Senator Maria Cantwell

Subject: Congratulations, and request visit to discuss cleanup at Hanford

Control: EXEC-2021-002524

Assigned To:EMCreated Date:04/26/2021Signature Level:Jennifer GranholmCorrespondence Date:04/22/2021Addressee Office:Jennifer GranholmReceived Date:04/26/2021

Action Requested: Prepare Response Completed Date: [no date provided]

Priority:HighDue Date:06/09/2021Point of Contact:Perry, RobertStatus:openProgram Contact:Source:CC

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#### **Folder List Report**

1. Title: Letter to Secretary Jennifer Granholm (via email) from Senator Mark Warner

Subject: Writing in support of Virginia Tech's grant proposal to DOE's Carbon Ore, Rare Earth and Critical Minerals

(CORE-CM) Initiative for U.S. Basins (DE-FOA-0002364)

Standley, Erica

Control: EXEC-2021-002309

Point of Contact:

FΕ 04/16/2021 Created Date: Assigned To: FΕ 04/09/2021 Signature Level: Correspondence Date: Jennifer Granholm Addressee Office: Received Date: 04/16/2021 Action Requested: Prepare Response Completed Date: 05/25/2021 Priority: High Due Date: 05/28/2021

Program Contact: Source: CC

2. Title: Letter to Secretary Jennifer Granholm (via email) from Representatives Debbie Lesko, Cathy Rodgers, Michael

C. Burgess, Robert Latta, Brett Guthrie, David McKinley, H. Morgan Griffith, Bill Johnson, Larry Bucshon and

Status:

completed

Markwayne Mullin plus 9 other Representatives

Subject: Urging the Department to prioritize new critical mineral programs in its FY2022 budget request and to

coordinate with the heads of other federal agencies to secure the nation's critical minerals and materials supply

chain

Control: EXEC-2021-002495

Assigned To: FE Created Date: 04/23/2021
Signature Level: FE Correspondence Date: 04/22/2021
Addressee Office: Jennifer Granholm Received Date: 04/23/2021

Action Requested: Prepare Response Completed Date: [no date provided]

Priority: High Due Date: 06/04/2021
Point of Contact: Standley, Erica Status: open

Program Contact: Source: CC

3. Title: Letter to Secretary Jennifer Granholm (via email) from Senator Shelley Moore Capito

Subject: Writing in support of a PHASE IIB modification, in order for X-MAT CCC to further its R&D of "coal-crete"

Control: EXEC-2021-002607

Assigned To: FΕ Created Date: 04/29/2021 FE 04/27/2021 Signature Level: Correspondence Date: Jennifer Granholm 04/29/2021 Addressee Office: Received Date: Prepare Response 05/27/2021 Action Requested: Completed Date: 06/11/2021 Priority: High Due Date: Point of Contact: Standley, Erica Status: completed CC Program Contact: Source:

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### **Folder List Report**

1. Title: Red Folder - Letter to Secretary Jennifer Granholm from Representative Jim Costa

Subject: Congratulatory Letter

Control: EXEC-2021-002949

Assigned To:MA-70Created Date:05/21/2021Signature Level:Jennifer GranholmCorrespondence Date:04/07/2021Addressee Office:Jennifer GranholmReceived Date:05/21/2021

Action Requested: Prepare Response Completed Date: [no date provided]

Priority:HighDue Date:07/02/2021Point of Contact:Coogan, MichaelStatus:openProgram Contact:Source:CC

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#### **Folder List Report**

1. **Title:** Letter to Secretary Jennifer Granholm (via email) from Representatives Anthony Gonzalez, Elaine G. Luria,

Richard Hudson, Robert E. Latta, Ralph Norman, Peter Meijer, Cheri Busti and Gus M. Bilirakis plus 11 other

Representatives

Subject: Request implementation of programs and provisions in the Nuclear energy program, and welcomes the

opportunity to discuss them

Control: EXEC-2021-002498

Assigned To: NE Created Date: 04/26/2021
Signature Level: NE Correspondence Date: 04/23/2021
Addressee Office: Jennifer Granholm Received Date: 04/26/2021

Addressee Office: Jennifer Granholm Received Date: 04/26/2021

Action Requested: Prepare Response Completed Date: [no date provided]

Priority: High Due Date: 06/07/2021
Point of Contact: Cunningham, Cindy Status: open

Point of Contact: Cunningham, Cindy Status: open Program Contact: Source: CC

2. Title: Joint letter to Secretary Jennifer Granholm and Acting Director Shalanda Young (via email) from Senators

Sherrod Brown and Rob Portman and Representatives Bill Johnson, Brad R. Wenstrup, Steve Chabot, Tim

Ryan, Anthony Gonzalez, Steve Stivers, Robert E. Latta and Michael Turner

Subject: Writing to request that the Department's FY 2022 budget request include funding to maintain and expand the

domestic uranium enrichment program so that it can meet government and commercial needs for enriched

uranium materials

Control: EXEC-2021-002532

Assigned To: NE Created Date: 04/27/2021
Signature Level: NE Correspondence Date: 04/26/2021
Addressee Office: Jennifer Granholm Received Date: 04/27/2021

Action Requested: Prepare Response Completed Date: [no date provided]

Priority: High Due Date: 06/08/2021
Point of Contact: Standley, Erica Status: open

Program Contact: Source: CC

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#### **Folder List Report**

1. Title: Letter to LASO/Michael Weis (via email) from Senator Martin Heinrich

Urging Mr. Weis to take action to remove all feral cattle from DOE property and take measures to prevent Subject:

further access by stray livestock

EXEC-2021-002299 Control:

> **NNSA** 04/15/2021 Created Date: Assigned To: **NNSA** 04/15/2021 Signature Level: Correspondence Date: DOE Addressee Office: Received Date: 04/15/2021 Action Requested: Prepare Response 06/07/2021 Completed Date: Priority: High Due Date: 05/27/2021 Standley, Erica completed Point of Contact: Status: **Program Contact:** Source: CC

2. Title: Letter to Secretary Jennifer Granholm (via email) from Representatives Henry Cuellar and Vicente Gonzalez

Writing to urge DOE to act swiftly to stand up the uranium reserve funded by Congress on a bipartisan basis at Subject:

\$75 million in the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2021 and to provide for full funding of \$150 million for the

uranium reserve in your Fiscal Year (FY) 2022 budget submission

Control: EXEC-2021-002308

Program Contact:

**NNSA** 04/16/2021 Assigned To: Created Date: **NNSA** 04/15/2021 Signature Level: Correspondence Date: Jennifer Granholm 04/16/2021 Addressee Office: Received Date:

Action Requested: Prepare Response Completed Date: [no date provided]

Source:

High 05/28/2021 Priority: Due Date: Standley, Erica open Point of Contact: Status: CC

3. Title: Red Folder - Letter to Deputy Secretary David Turk (via email) from Ranking Member John Barrasso, M.D.

Urging the Deputy Secretary to accelerate the Department's efforts to establish the uranium reserve program Subject:

and request that the Department begin purchasing uranium this year

Control: EXEC-2021-002633

> NNSA 04/30/2021 Assigned To: Created Date: Signature Level: David Turk Correspondence Date: 04/30/2021 **David Turk** 04/30/2021 Addressee Office: Received Date:

Prepare Response [no date provided] Action Requested: Completed Date: High 06/14/2021 Priority: Due Date:

Point of Contact: Standley, Erica Status: open CC **Program Contact:** Source:

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#### **Folder List Report**

1. Title: Letter to Secretary Jennifer Granholm (via email) from Representatives Frank Lucas, Ranking Member, Bill

> Posey, Randy Weber, Ranking Member, Dr. Brian Babin, D.D.S., Stephanie Bice, Ranking Member, Mo Brooks, Dr. James Baird, Pete Sessions, Young Kim, and Jake LaTurner, Committee on Science, Space, and

> > Status:

completed

Technology

Subject: Requesting by April 28, 2021, information regarding the Biden's Administration's efforts and plans to secure the

country's bulk-power system

EXEC-2021-002294 Control:

> Assigned To: OE Created Date: 04/15/2021 Jennifer Granholm Signature Level: Correspondence Date: 04/14/2021 Addressee Office: Jennifer Granholm 04/15/2021 Received Date: Prepare Response Action Requested: Completed Date: 05/21/2021 Critical Due Date: 04/28/2021 Priority:

Point of Contact: Program Contact: Source: CC

Standley, Erica

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#### **Folder List Report**

1. **Title:** Letter to Secretary Jennifer Granholm (via email) from Senator Mitt Romney and Representatives Blake Moore,

Chris Stewart, John Curtis and Burgess Owens

**Subject:** Write in support of the grant application submitted by Salt Lake County under the Energy Program for

Innovation Clusters (EPIC) to establish the Intermountain Intelligent Sustainability Tech Incubator (IISTI)

Control: EXEC-2021-002075

Assigned To: OTT Created Date: 04/07/2021
Signature Level: OTT Correspondence Date: 04/06/2021
Addressee Office: Jennifer Granholm Received Date: 04/07/2021

Action Requested: Prepare Response Completed Date: [no date provided]

Priority: High Due Date: 05/19/2021
Point of Contact: Cunningham, Cindy Status: open

Program Contact: Source: CC

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### **Folder List Report**

1. Title: Letter to Secretary Jennifer Granholm from Representative Mike Garcia

Subject: Writing in support of an application submitted by L.A. Turbine of Valencia, California to DOE's SBIR

DE-FOA-002360

Control: EXEC-2021-002600

SC 04/29/2021 Assigned To: Created Date: SC Signature Level: Correspondence Date: 04/15/2021 Jennifer Granholm 04/29/2021 Addressee Office: Received Date: Action Requested: Prepare Response Completed Date: 06/02/2021 High 06/11/2021 Priority: Due Date: Point of Contact: Standley, Erica Status: completed

Program Contact: Source: CC

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### **Folder List Report**

1. Title: Letter to Secretary Jennifer Granholm (via email) from Senator John Hoeven

Subject: Writing to formally extend an invitation for Secretary Granholm to visit North Dakota

Control: EXEC-2021-002035

SL Assigned To: Created Date: 04/06/2021 Signature Level: N/A 04/05/2021 Correspondence Date: Jennifer Granholm Addressee Office: Received Date: 04/06/2021 **Program Determination** 04/06/2021 Action Requested: Completed Date:

Priority: High Due Date: [no date provided]
Point of Contact: Standley, Erica Status: completed

Program Contact: Source: CC

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