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Re: HQ-2021-00877-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 June 1 to June 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 may 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.
Morris**

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

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The Electronic Document Online Correspondence
and Collaboration System (eDOCS)
Folder List Report

1. **Title:** Letter to Secretary Jennifer Granholm (via email) from Representatives Jerry McNerney, Barbara Lee, Jared Huffman and Salud Carbajal

Subject: Writing in support of three proof-of-concept proposals submitted by the Northern California Power Agency (NCPA)

Control: EXEC-2021-003601

Assigned To:	AR	Created Date:	06/24/2021
Signature Level:	AR	Correspondence Date:	06/24/2021
Addressee Office:	Jennifer Granholm	Received Date:	06/24/2021
Action Requested:	Prepare Response	Completed Date:	[no date provided]
Priority:	High	Due Date:	08/06/2021
Point of Contact:	Standley, Erica	Status:	open
Program Contact:		Source:	CC

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1. **Title:** CI/Nartker to Secretary Granholm

Subject: Tribal Leaders Thank you for participating in the U.S. Department of Energy's (DOE) formal Tribal Consultation call on April 9, 2021.

Control: EXEC-2021-003186

Assigned To:	CI	Created Date:	06/01/2021
Signature Level:	OSE	Correspondence Date:	06/01/2021
Addressee Office:	CI	Received Date:	06/01/2021
Action Requested:	Approval/Signature	Completed Date:	06/25/2021
Priority:	Normal	Due Date:	06/07/2021
Point of Contact:	Cunningham, Derrick	Status:	completed
Program Contact:	Cunningham, Derrick	Source:	CC

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1. **Title:** Letter to Secretary Jennifer Granholm (via email) from Representatives Jason Crow, Earl Perlmutter, Doug Lamborn, Diana DeGette and Senators Michael Bennett, John Hickenlooper

Subject: Colorado Smart Cities Alliance submission for Vehicle Technologies Office FY21 Funding Opportunity (DE-FOA-0002420)

Control: EXEC-2021-003199

Assigned To:	EE	Created Date:	06/01/2021
Signature Level:	EE	Correspondence Date:	06/01/2021
Addressee Office:	Jennifer Granholm	Received Date:	06/01/2021
Action Requested:	Prepare Response	Completed Date:	06/25/2021
Priority:	High	Due Date:	07/14/2021
Point of Contact:	Standley, Erica	Status:	completed
Program Contact:		Source:	CC

2. **Title:** Letter to Secretary Jennifer Granholm (via email) from Representative Greg Pence

Subject: Writes regarding the Hydrogen Energy Earthshot request for information (RFI)

Control: EXEC-2021-003472

Assigned To:	EE	Created Date:	06/21/2021
Signature Level:	EE	Correspondence Date:	06/17/2021
Addressee Office:	Jennifer Granholm	Received Date:	06/21/2021
Action Requested:	Prepare Response	Completed Date:	[no date provided]
Priority:	High	Due Date:	08/03/2021
Point of Contact:	Cunningham, Cindy	Status:	open
Program Contact:		Source:	CC

3. **Title:** Letter to Secretary Jennifer Granholm (via email) from Representatives Rodney Davis and Mike Bost

Subject: Writing to request DOE's consideration of the National Corn-to-Ethanol Research Center's (NCERC) proposal, "Scaling up a Low Cost Low Energy Cellulosic Sugar Production," under Topic 2 in response to the FY21 Bioenergy Technologies Multi-Topic Funding Opportunity Announcement (DEFOA-0002396)

Control: EXEC-2021-003516

Assigned To:	EE	Created Date:	06/22/2021
Signature Level:	EE	Correspondence Date:	06/22/2021
Addressee Office:	Jennifer Granholm	Received Date:	06/22/2021
Action Requested:	Prepare Response	Completed Date:	[no date provided]
Priority:	High	Due Date:	08/04/2021
Point of Contact:	Standley, Erica	Status:	open
Program Contact:		Source:	CC

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4. **Title:** Letter to Secretary Jennifer Granholm (via email) from Representatives Rodney Davis and Mike Bost

Subject: Writing to request DOE's consideration of the National Corn-to-Ethanol Research Center's (NCERC) proposal, "Pilot-Scale Production of High-Performance Aviation Biofuel from Corn Starch Using Hybrid Biological/Chemical Synthesis," under Subtopic 1B in response to the FY21 Bioenergy Technologies Multi-Topic Funding Opportunity Announcement (DE-FOA-0002396)

Control: EXEC-2021-003517

Assigned To:	EE	Created Date:	06/22/2021
Signature Level:	EE	Correspondence Date:	06/22/2021
Addressee Office:	Jennifer Granholm	Received Date:	06/22/2021
Action Requested:	Prepare Response	Completed Date:	[no date provided]
Priority:	High	Due Date:	08/04/2021
Point of Contact:	Standley, Erica	Status:	open
Program Contact:		Source:	CC

5. **Title:** Letter to Secretary Jennifer Granholm (via email) from Senator Tim Kaine

Subject: Writing to express support for A&N Electric Cooperative (ANEC), working with the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association, to establish a local network of electric vehicle (EV) charging stations on the Eastern Shore of Virginia

Control: EXEC-2021-003519

Assigned To:	EE	Created Date:	06/23/2021
Signature Level:	EE	Correspondence Date:	06/22/2021
Addressee Office:	Jennifer Granholm	Received Date:	06/23/2021
Action Requested:	Prepare Response	Completed Date:	[no date provided]
Priority:	High	Due Date:	08/04/2021
Point of Contact:	Standley, Erica	Status:	open
Program Contact:		Source:	CC

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1. **Title:** Letter to Secretary Jennifer Granholm (via email) from Senator Kevin Cramer
Subject: Writes in support of Semplastics EHC LLC and Lignite Energy Council proposal to repurpose coal ,
DE-FOA-0002405, Advance Coal Waste Processing

Control: EXEC-2021-003452

Assigned To:	FE	Created Date:	06/17/2021
Signature Level:	FE	Correspondence Date:	06/16/2021
Addressee Office:	Jennifer Granholm	Received Date:	06/17/2021
Action Requested:	Prepare Response	Completed Date:	07/07/2021
Priority:	High	Due Date:	08/02/2021
Point of Contact:	Cunningham, Cindy	Status:	completed
Program Contact:		Source:	CC

2. **Title:** Letter to Secretary Jennifer Granholm from Senator John Cornyn
Subject: Writes in support of Calpine Corporation application for DOE's Carbon Capture R&D for Natural Gas and
Industrial Point Sources

Control: EXEC-2021-003480

Assigned To:	FE	Created Date:	06/21/2021
Signature Level:	FE	Correspondence Date:	06/08/2021
Addressee Office:	Jennifer Granholm	Received Date:	06/21/2021
Action Requested:	Prepare Response	Completed Date:	[no date provided]
Priority:	High	Due Date:	08/03/2021
Point of Contact:	Cunningham, Cindy	Status:	open
Program Contact:		Source:	CC

3. **Title:** Letter to Secretary Jennifer Granholm (via email) from Representative Brian Babin, D.D.S.
Subject: Writing in support of the Calpine Corporation entitled "Deer Park Energy Center NGCC Carbon Capture System
FEED Study"

Control: EXEC-2021-003520

Assigned To:	FE	Created Date:	06/23/2021
Signature Level:	FE	Correspondence Date:	06/16/2021
Addressee Office:	Jennifer Granholm	Received Date:	06/23/2021
Action Requested:	Prepare Response	Completed Date:	[no date provided]
Priority:	High	Due Date:	08/04/2021
Point of Contact:	Standley, Erica	Status:	open
Program Contact:		Source:	CC

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4. **Title:** Letter to Secretary Jennifer Granholm (via email) from Senator Alex Padilla
Subject: Writing in support of Calpine Corporation's Proposal Entitled "Delta Energy Center NGCC Carbon Capture System FEED Study"

Control: EXEC-2021-003587

Assigned To:	FE	Created Date:	06/24/2021
Signature Level:	FE	Correspondence Date:	06/09/2021
Addressee Office:	Jennifer Granholm	Received Date:	06/24/2021
Action Requested:	Prepare Response	Completed Date:	[no date provided]
Priority:	High	Due Date:	08/05/2021
Point of Contact:	Standley, Erica	Status:	open
Program Contact:		Source:	CC

5. **Title:** Letter to Secretary Jennifer Granholm from Senator John Cornyn
Subject: Writing to express support for NEXT Carbon Solutions' application to DOE for the Carbon Capture R&D for Natural Gas and Industrial Point Sources, Front-End Engineering Design Studies for Carbon Capture Systems (CCS) and Industrial Facilities and Natural Gas Plants Program

Control: EXEC-2021-003763

Assigned To:	FE	Created Date:	07/01/2021
Signature Level:	FE	Correspondence Date:	06/16/2021
Addressee Office:	Jennifer Granholm	Received Date:	07/01/2021
Action Requested:	Prepare Response	Completed Date:	[no date provided]
Priority:	High	Due Date:	08/13/2021
Point of Contact:	Standley, Erica	Status:	open
Program Contact:		Source:	CC

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1. **Title:** Letter to GC/Susan Beard (via email) from Ranking Member John Barrasso, MD
Subject: Requesting information by June 14, 2021, to better understand the guidance provided to Secretary Granholm regarding Proterra, Inc.

Control: EXEC-2021-003312

Assigned To:	GC	Created Date:	06/09/2021
Signature Level:	N/A	Correspondence Date:	06/07/2021
Addressee Office:	GC	Received Date:	06/09/2021
Action Requested:	Program Determination	Completed Date:	06/09/2021
Priority:	High	Due Date:	[no date provided]
Point of Contact:	Standley, Erica	Status:	completed
Program Contact:		Source:	CC

2. **Title:** Letter to GC/Eric Fygi from Ranking Member John Barrasso, Committee on Energy and Natural Resources
Subject: Writes concerning GC/Fygi's response to his May 17th letter, regarding reports of the use of encrypted messaging platforms by Biden Administration officials

Control: EXEC-2021-003762

Assigned To:	GC	Created Date:	07/01/2021
Signature Level:	N/A	Correspondence Date:	06/21/2021
Addressee Office:	GC	Received Date:	07/01/2021
Action Requested:	Program Determination	Completed Date:	07/01/2021
Priority:	High	Due Date:	[no date provided]
Point of Contact:	Standley, Erica	Status:	completed
Program Contact:		Source:	CC

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1. **Title:** Joint letter to Secretary Jennifer Granholm and Secretary Janet Yellen (vie email) from Representative Brian Babin

Subject: Writing to urge Secretary Granholm and Secretary Yellen deny the sale of Shell Oil's interest in the Deer Park Refining Limited Partnership Petroleos Mexicanos (Pemex)

Control: EXEC-2021-003486

Assigned To:	IA	Created Date:	06/22/2021
Signature Level:	IA	Correspondence Date:	06/21/2021
Addressee Office:	Jennifer Granholm	Received Date:	06/22/2021
Action Requested:	Prepare Response	Completed Date:	[no date provided]
Priority:	High	Due Date:	08/03/2021
Point of Contact:	Standley, Erica	Status:	open
Program Contact:		Source:	CC

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1. **Title:** Red Folder - Letter to Secretary Jennifer Granholm (via email) from Senator Dianne Feinstein

Subject: Thank you note

Control: EXEC-2021-003743

Assigned To:	Jennifer Granholm	Created Date:	07/01/2021
Signature Level:	N/A	Correspondence Date:	06/29/2021
Addressee Office:	Jennifer Granholm	Received Date:	07/01/2021
Action Requested:	Appropriate Action	Completed Date:	07/01/2021
Priority:	High	Due Date:	[no date provided]
Point of Contact:	Standley, Erica	Status:	completed
Program Contact:		Source:	CC

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1. **Title:** Letter to Secretary Jennifer Granholm (via email) from Chair Kathy Castor and Representatives Suzanne Bonamici, Julia Brownley, Jared Huffman, A. Donald McEachin, Mike Levin, Sean Casten, Joe Neguse and Veronica Escobar

Subject: Thanking Secretary Granholm for taking the time to meet with members of the U.S. House of Representatives Select Committee on the Climate Crisis; reiterating some of the priorities that Members raised during the meeting

Control: EXEC-2021-003306

Assigned To:	OP	Created Date:	06/08/2021
Signature Level:	Jennifer Granholm	Correspondence Date:	06/08/2021
Addressee Office:	Jennifer Granholm	Received Date:	06/08/2021
Action Requested:	Prepare Response	Completed Date:	[no date provided]
Priority:	High	Due Date:	07/28/2021
Point of Contact:	Cunningham, Cindy	Status:	open
Program Contact:		Source:	CC

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1. **Title:** Letter to Secretary Jennifer Granholm (via email) from Senator Lisa Murkowski
Subject: Inviting Secretary Granholm to attend and speak at Alaska's 15th Annual Renewable Energy Fair on August 15, 2021

Control: EXEC-2021-003329

Assigned To:	SL	Created Date:	06/10/2021
Signature Level:	N/A	Correspondence Date:	06/08/2021
Addressee Office:	Jennifer Granholm	Received Date:	06/10/2021
Action Requested:	Program Determination	Completed Date:	06/10/2021
Priority:	High	Due Date:	[no date provided]
Point of Contact:	Standley, Erica	Status:	completed
Program Contact:		Source:	CC