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To: Adrienne Dunbar, House Education and Labor Committee

Re: Support of School Modernization Grants

From: George Borkovich, Principal, AEC Science & Technology

As the producers of Ecobuild America, the leading conference and tradeshow on green building, sustainable design, energy efficiency, building performance and construction technology, AEC Science & Technology is pleased to voice its support of HR 3221, the Student Aid and Fiscal Responsibility Act of 2009.

We are strongly committed to helping building owners, planners, boards and officials gain better insight to making their facilities perform better, creating safe, secure, energy efficient schools for our children. Toward this end, we will contribute and develop coursework at our annual event to help improve and modernize school environments.

The next conference is happening at the Washington, DC Convention Center this December 7-10, 2009 and will include sessions on:

Higher Education Transformation
Energy Master Planning (EMP) for New and Existing Facilities
Solar & Wind Power for Buildings
Achieving Energy Efficiency in Building Performance
Navigating the National Clearinghouse for Educational Facilities
Designing for School Safety and Security
Sustainable School Design: Case Studies and Best Practices
Zero Energy Buildings from Zero Energy Mechanical Systems
The Schools Energy Program and BIM Interoperability
Site Security Design: The Next Generation of Design Excellence
Intelligent Building Technologies for a Sustainable Future
BIM in Campus Facilities Management
Sustainable Rooftops: What Building Owners and Designers Need to Know

We welcome participation by all school planners, designers and builders, faculty, staff, and school officials to collectively voice input and influence how our schools will be built. For details, go to www.aececobuild.com.