

July 27, 2012

The Honorable Charles Bass 2350 Rayburn House Office Building Washington, DC, 20515 The Honorable Jim Matheson 2434 Rayburn House Office Building Washington, DC, 20515

Dear Congressman Bass and Congressman Matheson,

The Bipartisan Policy Center (BPC) strongly supports your efforts to advance important energy efficiency measures in the U.S. House of Representatives. The Smart Energy Act, which contains a number of initiatives with substantial benefits for our nation's economy and environment, demonstrates that bipartisan collaboration remains alive and well in the development of energy policy.

The BPC commends you for identifying obstacles to the deployment of energy efficiency measures and for developing a number of practical solutions to these obstacles. We continue to believe that a balanced and bipartisan package of measures that increases U.S. energy supplies and ensures the efficient use of these valuable resources is the key to a more secure and prosperous future. The BPC applauds your efforts to increase energy efficiency in the United States, and looks forward to continue to work with you to make energy efficiency a reality.

Very Truly Yours,

Senator Trent Lott BPC Energy Project Co-Chair Gen. Jim Jones

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