

June 16, 2008

The Honorable Max Baucus
U.S. Senate
Room SH-511, Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510-2602

Dear Senator Baucus:

The undersigned companies, representing a broad cross section of the U.S. business community and hundreds of thousands of U.S. jobs, request that the Senate take action during the current work period to extend tax provisions that expired at the end of 2007 or will expire at the end of 2008.

The House of Representatives last month passed a tax extenders package included in H.R. 6049, the Renewable Energy and Job Creation Act of 2008, which provides a good starting point for Senate consideration. In April, Senate Finance Committee Chairman Baucus and Senator Grassley introduced S. 2886 containing a tax extenders package, including a critical increase in the Alternative Simplified Credit to spur R&D jobs in the United States. Swift action is now needed by the Senate to enact a tax extenders package that will bring significant positive benefits to the U.S. economy.

Important tax provisions, including the R&D tax credit and the deduction for state and local sales taxes, have already expired. Others, including critical renewable energy incentives, the Subpart F active financial services and look-through rules, the New Markets Tax Credit, and the incentive for domestic film production, expire at the end of this year. Large tax increases would fall on American companies and American workers if the expired and expiring provisions are not extended.

Failure by Congress to move quickly to extend these important provisions will bring investment in renewable energy and energy efficiency projects to a standstill, make it more difficult for U.S. companies to invest in critical R&D projects in this country, reduce private sector investment in business and economic development projects in distressed areas, and force many U.S.-based financial institutions to suffer a massive tax increase at a time when they can least afford it.

Failure to act this summer on tax extender legislation will have significant negative consequences for the U.S. economy. The value of the legislation to the U.S. economy and the need to act quickly at this critical time should be the dominant considerations.

We look forward to working with you on this important legislation and urge action during Congress' June legislative session.

Sincerely,

A. O. Smith Corporation
Abbott Laboratories
Abengoa Solar
Acciona Energy
Acclarent, Inc.
Adroit Medical Systems
Advanced Hydro Solutions
Advanced Micro Devices, Inc.
Advantage Capital Partners
AEE Solar, Inc.
AES Wind Generation
Affymetrix, Inc.
Agilent Technologies, Inc.
Agility Design Solutions Inc.
AGP
Agrilectric Power
AIM Computer Solutions, Inc.
Air Products and Chemicals, Inc.
Akeena Solar
Allergan, Inc.
Alliant Energy
Almyra Management Company, Inc.
AltaTerra Ltd.
Alterra Bioenergy
Altacor Inc.
Altria Group, Inc.
AMD
Ameren Corporation
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American Electric Power
American Express Company
American International Group, Inc.
American Laboratory Products
Company, Ltd.
American Solar Electric, Inc.
Amgen
AngioDynamics, Inc.
Apple Inc.
Applied Materials, Inc.
Apricus
Archer Daniels Midland

Art Technologies, Inc.
AstraZeneca Pharmaceuticals LP
AT&T
Ataco Steel Products Corporation
ATAS International, Inc.
ATEECO, INC.
Atlantic City Electric
Autodesk, Inc.
Avaya Inc.
Avista Corporation
AWR, Inc.
BAE Systems, Inc.
Ballard Power Systems
Bank of America
The Bank of New York Mellon
Corporation
Batesville Tool & Die, Inc
Baxa Corporation
BioEnergy Systems, LLC
Biogen Idec
Biomass One, LP
BioSelect Fuels
Bloom Energy Corporation
Blue Sky Energy, Inc.
BMC Software
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The Boeing Company
Bommer Industries, Inc.
Boralex Inc.
Borel Private Bank & Trust Company
Boston Scientific
BP America
Brookfield Renewable Power
Brunswick Corporation
Butler Sun Solutions
CA, Inc.
CAB Incorporated
Cadence Design Systems, Inc.
California Micro Devices
Calpine Corp.
Calypso Medical Technologies, Inc.

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Cardinal Systems Inc.
Case New Holland Inc.
Cassatt Corporation
Caterpillar Inc.
Central Vermont Public Service Corporation
Cepheid Inc.
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CH Energy Group, Inc.
Chelan County Public Utility District
The Chubb Corporation
Cisco Systems, Inc.
Citigroup, Inc.
Click Bond, Inc.
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Coherex Medical, Inc.
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Cymer, Inc.
Decker Energy International
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Deeya Energy, Inc.
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Energy Unlimited, Inc.
EnFocus Engineering Corporation
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Envision Solar International, Inc.
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EV Solar Products, Inc.
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Extol International, Inc.
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Honeywell
Hospira, Inc.
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Hydro Green Energy, Inc.
i2 Technologies
iControl Incorporated
Imperium Renewables Inc
Impulse Dynamics
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Independent Energy Systems
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Inter-Island Solar Supply
International Business Machines Corporation
International Paper
Interstate Power and Light
Intevac, Inc.
Invenergy LLC
ITC Holdings Corp.
Jan Medical
Jasper Design Automation, Inc.
JDS Uniphase Corporation
Johnson & Johnson
Johnson Controls
JPMorgan Chase & Co.
Juniper Networks, Inc.
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Pepco Holdings, Inc.
Pfizer
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Polycom, Inc.
Portland General Electric
PPG Industries
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Q-Cells
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ReGrid Power
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Renewable Energy Group (REG)
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Wachovia Corp.
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