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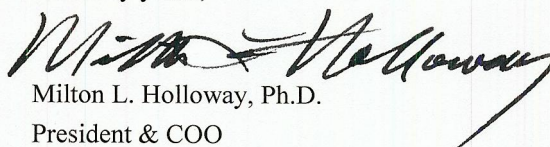
Dear John:

We fully support the Wind Alliance's position that "Americanization" and rapid development of the entire wind energy supply chain is critical to the achievement of Obama Administration goals for 25% renewables by 2025. We also agree with the Alliance's conclusion that developments in every stage in that supply chain are and will continue to be delayed until there is an emergence of a viable answer to the challenges of electricity, storage, transmission and distribution evolution to accommodate large contributions of renewable and distributed generation. Until there is a viable answer to the movement of wind power – and other forms of renewable energy – from their typically rural production locations to the markets that will consume that power, there can be no confidence and therefore inadequate investments up and down those supply chains.

The Center for Commercialization of Electric Technologies is a consortium comprised of electric industry power companies with interests in Texas and beyond, universities and a growing number of technology companies who foresee a bright future of "smart grid" technologies and services in our power industry. We are committed to promoting and coordinating the advancements in technology that are required to achieve the next generation of power storage, transmission and distribution (ST&D). We have among our membership the critical companies who must deliver this next generation of ST&D in a timely manner if the nation's visions of a renewables industry are to be realized. We see in the Wind Alliance the rest of the coalition required to translate the nation's vision into reality – and to political and technical coalitions required to accelerate the pace of execution toward the new national goals for 25% renewables by 2025. CCET has worked to formulate bold plans for commercializing and demonstrating next generation technology to deliver on the requirement to integrate a major share of renewable and distributed generation. We are leveraging the experience and the regulatory flexibility of Texas for the creation of a test-bed that we are confident can be exploited throughout the wind corridor states that hold so much of the U.S. potential for achieving the 2025 renewable production goal.

We therefore endorse the goals of the Wind Alliance and its collaboration to advance the pace of technological innovation for achievement of U.S. target levels of renewables. We encourage active consideration of the Alliance pursuit of Stimulus Package funds for the funding of the infrastructure facilities required for the achievement of the national goal. The Alliance can play a critical role to focus public and private interests. We support the Alliance's efforts and commit our resources and plans for ST&D testing and demonstration.

Sincerely yours,


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