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The Honorable Jennifer Granholm
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Re: Letter of Support Kemmerer Decarbonization Works (KDW) Advanced Energy
Manufacturing and Recycling Grant Program

Dear Secretary Granholm,

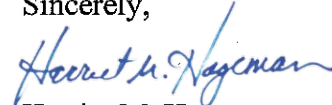
I am writing to express my support for the Kemmerer Decarbonization Works (“KDW”) project being developed by Glenrock Energy, LLC (“Glenrock”) and Kanata America, Inc. at the Kemmerer Mine in Lincoln County, Wyoming. Glenrock is applying for readiness technical assistance on behalf of KDW through the Advanced Energy Manufacturing and Recycling Grant Program, which helps communities recover from coal mine or coal-fueled power plant closures.

Kemmerer, a town of just over 2,400 residents, has sustained itself for over a century through the extraction of coal, oil, gas, and other mineral resources. The Kemmerer mining community will greatly benefit from KDW’s efforts to preserve and create hundreds of well-paying jobs within the community through the repurposing of the mine’s major customer, the Naughton generating station. This station is a coal-fueled generating station that is scheduled to stop consuming coal by 2025. KDW will repurpose the feedstock of the Naughton station to produce ammonia, which will provide numerous benefits to the community and the nation.

Benefits to the community include sustaining local economic opportunities that will allow for continued generation of electricity, making good use of existing energy infrastructure, and preventing the detrimental economic impacts that would come with shutting down the plant. Additionally, this project will improve energy and food security on a national level as over 80% of global ammonia production is used to produce agricultural fertilizer, and demand for ammonia as a fuel for electricity generation and other applications is projected to grow dramatically.

Energy producers in Kemmerer have worked tirelessly to provide our nation with reliable electricity for over 100 years. As a signal of appreciation towards our underserved domestic mining communities, I support KDW's Advanced Energy Manufacturing and Recycling Grant application to allow them to continue doing what they do best – strengthening our nations grid, supporting their local economy, and providing for their families. Thank you for your thoughtful consideration of this request. I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,



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Member of Congress