

September 15, 2009

The Honorable Steven Chu  
Secretary of Energy  
U.S. Department of Energy  
Washington, D.C. 20585-1000

The Honorable Lisa Jackson  
Administrator  
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency  
Washington, D.C. 20460

Dear Secretary Chu and Administrator Jackson:

In a letter sent to you this past April, I commended to your attention the conclusions of a report entitled Study of the Effects on Employment of Public Aid to Renewable Energy Sources, an analysis that seeks to identify and explain some of the social and economic pitfalls that my home country of Spain encountered as it attempted to implement a “green jobs”-focused program over the past decade.

In that letter, I also requested the consideration of your time -- a function of my being in the United States, and you having been asked on several occasions by members of Congress during public testimony on Capitol Hill to render an impression of our study.

I write to you today to inform you both that I will once again be in Washington, D.C. in the coming weeks, and once again, stand ready, able and willing to meet with you or your senior staff on whatever terms, and at whatever times, you deem convenient.

I am in particular interested in answering questions related to the recent memorandum published by the National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL) targeting our work. A subset of the Department of Energy, it appears NREL devoted a considerable amount of time, energy and public resource to examine the core findings of our report. Having shown this interest, it seems reasonable to expect that you and your staff may have a similar interest in speaking with me in person about it as well. Consider this my formal request to do so.

My schedule has me in Washington, D.C. starting on Monday, September 21, and concluding on Thursday, September 24. Although much of my time is committed, I would happily reevaluate and reschedule as appropriate should you find a time and occasion suitable at which to meet.

To this letter, I have attached a web link directing you to the referenced study. I look forward to hearing from you soon. Thank you for your consideration.

Saludos,



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Key findings from Calzada Green Jobs report:

<http://www.instituteforenergyresearch.org/2009/03/31/running-of-the-bull-us-green-jobs-rhetoric/>

Murphy response to NREL analysis:

<http://www.instituteforenergyresearch.org/2009/09/03/the-nrels-flawed-white-paper-on-the-spanish-green-jobs-study/>