

# Congress of the United States

Washington, DC 20510

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The Honorable Sanford D. Bishop Jr.  
Chairman  
House Appropriations Subcommittee on  
Agriculture, Rural Development, FDA,  
and Related Agencies  
2362-A Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Andy Harris  
Acting Ranking Member  
House Appropriations Subcommittee on  
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and Related Agencies  
1036 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

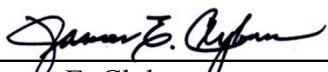
Dear Chairman Bishop and Acting Ranking Member Harris,

We write to request the inclusion of \$26 million in the FY 2023 Agriculture appropriations bill for the Rural Energy Savings Program's credit subsidy (Section 6407 of the Farm Security Rural Investment Act of 2002 (7 U.S.C. 8107(a))).

This program has helped rural families and small businesses achieve cost savings by providing loans to qualified consumers to implement durable, cost-effective energy efficiency measures. This nascent program, established in the 2014 Farm Bill and first funded in 2016, is already showing great promise in delivering lower electric bills and a higher quality of life for our constituents who participate.

Funding the Rural Energy Savings Program at \$26 million in FY 2023 will allow more consumers and small businesses to take advantage of the program in the coming years. Thank you for your attention to this request.

Sincerely,

  
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James E. Clyburn  
Majority Whip

  
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Ron Kind  
Member of Congress