



The Under Secretary of Energy
Washington, DC 20585

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cc: Shawn & Adrienne



The Honorable Felix P. Camacho
Governor of Guam
Haganta, Guam 96932

Dear Governor Camacho:

Thank you for your letter to Secretary Bodman regarding a partnership between the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) and Guam to facilitate the use of renewable energy technologies in Guam. Secretary Bodman asked me to respond to your letter. Your letter identifies a significant opportunity for collaboration on renewable energy deployment.

Renewable energy may provide a great opportunity for islands, which can be rich in renewable resources but are often dependent on imported fossil fuels for most or all of their energy use. Renewable technologies provide many benefits to communities. ~~Because some renewable energy can be produced locally,~~ depending on a particular island's available resources, an island that uses renewable energy may be made less dependent on imported fuels to meet its energy needs. Renewable energy also has environmental benefits of which the world is becoming increasingly aware.

Due to our renewable energy expertise, DOE is positioned to help facilitate the deployment of renewable energy technologies. To that end, DOE would like to start a dialog with Guam to identify how we can best work together to capture the benefits of your local renewable energy resources. I have asked our Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy to contact your office so we can work together towards this goal.

Thank you again for your letter. If you have any questions, please contact me or Ms. Lisa E. Epifani, Assistant Secretary for Congressional and Intergovernmental Affairs, at (202) 586-5450.

Sincerely,

C. H. Albright, Jr.

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