

BRETT GUTHRIE, KENTUCKY
CHAIRMAN

FRANK PALLONE, JR., NEW JERSEY
RANKING MEMBER

ONE HUNDRED NINETEENTH CONGRESS

Congress of the United States

House of Representatives

COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND COMMERCE

2125 RAYBURN HOUSE OFFICE BUILDING

WASHINGTON, DC 20515-6115

Majority (202) 225-3641

Minority (202) 225-2927

September 25, 2026

Mr. David W. Robinson
Executive Vice President for Strategic Development
Aligned Data Centers
2800 Summit Avenue
Plano, TX 75074

Dear Mr. Robinson:

Thank you for appearing before the Subcommittee on Environment on Wednesday, March 4, 2026, to testify at the hearing entitled “Ready for Reuse: Legislative Proposals to Unleash the Potential of America’s Brownfields Sites.”

Pursuant to the Rules of the Committee on Energy and Commerce, the hearing record remains open for ten business days to permit Members to submit additional questions for the record, which are attached. The format of your responses to these questions should be as follows: (1) the name of the Member whose question you are addressing, (2) the complete text of the question you are addressing in bold, and (3) your answer to that question in plain text.

To facilitate the printing of the hearing record, please respond to these questions with a transmittal letter by the close of business on Friday, October 23, 2026. Your responses should be mailed to Seth Ricketts Legislative Clerk, Committee on Energy and Commerce, 2125 Rayburn House Office Building, Washington, DC 20515 and e-mailed to Seth.Ricketts@mail.house.gov.

Thank you again for your time and effort preparing and delivering testimony before the Subcommittee.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Gary Palmer", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Gary Palmer
Chairman
Subcommittee on Environment

cc: Paul Tonko, Ranking Member, Subcommittee on Environment

Attachment

Additional Questions for the Record

The Honorable Gary Palmer (R-AL)

1. I am a bit surprised that there has been opposition to some of these ideas that have been presented before at this Committee. For example, the Brownfields Revitalization for a Better Tomorrow Act includes language expanding eligibility for EPA's Brownfields Grant program to "private, for-profit limited liability corporations" that provide evidence in their applications that local governments, redevelopment agencies, or 501(c)(3) organizations approve of them submitting an application. This is the same language that was in the majority draft from last Congress.

I reviewed the National Brownfields Coalitions' written statement from the 2023 Subcommittee hearing on that discussion draft, and I don't see any objection from the National Brownfields Coalition to that language.

- a. Would language making "private, for-profit limited liability corporations" eligible for these grants allow any and every private company, including the large industries Mayor Tomson is so concerned about, to be eligible?

The Honorable Robert Latta (R-OH)

1. Are former energy sites, such as inactive power plants, good potential sites for data centers? What challenges are there in reusing these sites for data centers?