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Mr. Jeremy Harrell Chief Executive Officer ClearPath Action 518 C Street Northeast, Suite 300 Washington, DC 20002

Dear Mr. Harrell,

Thank you for appearing before the Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources at an oversight hearing titled, "Now Ore Never: The Importance of Domestic Mining for U.S. National Security" on Thursday, February 6, 2025.

Your testimony was extremely helpful in defining the Subcommittee's understanding of the issue and I appreciate the effort you took to prepare and present your testimony. While many questions were asked during the hearing, the Subcommittee has additional questions, attached, for your reply.

Please forward your responses to Jacob Greenberg, Clerk, Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources, at <u>Jacob.Greenberg@mail.house.gov</u> by February 26, 2025. Your assistance in meeting this deadline is requested, as failure to meet it will be noted in the printed transcript.

Once again, thank you for your extensive effort in making this a valuable hearing.

Sincerely,

Pete Stauber

Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources

Chairman

Enclosure

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"Now Ore Never: The Importance of Domestic Mining for U.S. National Security"

Questions from Rep. Ezell for Jeremy Harrell, CEO of ClearPath, Inc.

1. Key lifesaving industries like pharmaceuticals, drug formation, and farming would be impacted by such disruptions in supply of palladium. Have any of you looked at these industries to evaluate the nation's security threat to our health and basic nutritional needs if the flow of these critical minerals was disrupted?

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Questions from Rep. Dingell for Mr. Harrell, Chief Executive Officer at ClearPath Inc.

- 1. Mr. Harrell, do you agree that the direct loans from the Biden Administration for domestic critical mineral processing projects are a benefit to our domestic supply chains?
- 2. Mr. Harrell, similarly, do you agree that federal support for battery recycling is vital for U.S. manufacturing and the jobs that will come with it?