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Dear Dr. Wayland:

Thank you for appearing before the Subcommittee on Energy on Wednesday, March 24, 2021, at the hearing entitled “The CLEAN Future Act: Powering a Resilient and Prosperous America.” I appreciate the time and effort you gave as a witness before the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

Pursuant to Rule 3 of the Committee on Energy and Commerce, members are permitted to submit additional questions to the witnesses for their responses, which will be included in the hearing record. Attached are questions directed to you from certain members of the Committee. In preparing your answers to these questions, please address your response to the member who has submitted the questions in the space provided.

To facilitate the printing of the hearing record, please submit your responses to these questions no later than the close of business on Friday, July 16, 2021. As previously noted, this transmittal letter and your responses, as well as the responses from the other witnesses appearing at the hearing, will all be included in the hearing record. Your written responses should be transmitted by e-mail in the Word document provided to Lino Peña-Martinez, Policy Analyst, at lino.pena-martinez@mail.house.gov. To help in maintaining the proper format for hearing records, please use the document provided to complete your responses.

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Thank you for your prompt attention to this request. If you need additional information or have other questions, please contact Lino Peña-Martinez with the Committee staff at (202) 225-2927.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Frank Pallone, Jr." in a cursive style.

Frank Pallone, Jr.
Chairman

Attachment

cc: The Honorable Cathy McMorris Rodgers
Ranking Member
Committee on Energy and Commerce

The Honorable Bobby L. Rush
Chairman
Subcommittee on Energy

The Honorable Fred Upton
Ranking Member
Subcommittee on Energy

Attachment—Additional Questions for the Record

**Subcommittee on Energy
Hearing on
“The CLEAN Future Act: Powering a Resilient and Prosperous America.”
Wednesday, March 24, 2021**

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The Honorable Kathy Castor (D-FL)

1. Dr. Wayland, while there are some states that are leading on clean energy, others are not. What can Congress do to spur clean energy deployment in states that are currently lagging?
2. Dr. Wayland, how can community solar increase equitable access to reliable, clean energy? How could investing in local solar drive economic growth?

The Honorable Dr. Michael C. Burgess (R-TX)

1. Is it possible to meet the decarbonization goals of the CLEAN Future Act without the continued or expanded use of nuclear power?
2. If today’s nuclear power fleet is retired, what power systems will likely take their place?
3. Will the retirement of nuclear power stations impact the reliability of the grid?
4. Does the CLEAN Future Act address any of the problems facing today’s nuclear power fleet?
5. Does the CLEAN Future Act reduce the barriers to commercialization for advanced nuclear technologies?