



July 30, 2025

The Honorable Bruce Westerman
Chairman
U.S. House of Representatives
Committee on Natural Resources
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Chairman Westerman:

On behalf of Citizens for Responsible Energy Solutions (CRES), we applaud the introduction of the *Standardizing Permitting and Expediting Economic Development (SPEED) Act*, which would allow for expedited permitting and protection from frivolous litigation.

CRES is a nonprofit organization dedicated to supporting responsible, conservative solutions to address our nation's energy, economic and environmental security while ensuring America retains its global competitive edge. CRES advocates for the advancement and deployment of cutting-edge clean energy technologies with the goal of both reducing emissions while ensuring reliable and affordable energy.

We appreciate the SPEED Act's effort to further clarify review processes for agencies and courts. These commonsense reforms to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) will provide a path to strengthen domestic supply chains and accelerate deployment of technology and infrastructure for all types of energy. The U.S. can no longer afford years of legal uncertainty that benefits our adversaries by hindering investment in projects critical to our economic and national security.

Thank you, Chairman Westerman, for your commitment and leadership in permitting reform and efforts to unleash American energy abundance. We look forward to continuing to work with you and the committee on achieving durable, comprehensive policy changes to streamline our permitting processes.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Heather Reams". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Heather" being more prominent than the last name "Reams".

Heather Reams
CRES President & CEO