

Renewable Energy programs at the Department of Energy, a 14 percent increase over fiscal year 2009. This funding will enhance the development of next-generation vehicle technologies, support research on conservation technologies for buildings and industry, and help struggling families save money and energy through the weatherization assistance program.

Improvements in energy efficiency must be coupled with the development of new, 21st century energy technologies. This bill invests \$4.9 billion for the Office of Science—funds that will support development of new energy technologies to modernize America's economy and reduce our dependence on fossil fuels. As we develop these new energy technologies, our country must have a modern energy grid equipped to transport clean energy across the country. This bill provides \$208 million—52 percent over 2009—for modernization of our energy grid. This will allow wind energy produced in my state of Minnesota to be transported to areas across the country that have high energy demand but fewer or less accessible renewable energy resources.

While this bill is very strong overall, I have concerns that it could do more to move our country toward a permanent storage solution for our accumulating nuclear waste. After spending 20 years and billions of dollars on Yucca Mountain, the federal government is about to suspend this project and start over. Finding a long-term solution to America's nuclear waste storage problem is the federal government's responsibility, and I urge this Congress and this Administration to make this issue a priority.

The Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act of 2010 is a significant step toward a clean, secure energy future for America. I urge my colleagues to support passage of this bill.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. BRIAN P. BILBRAY

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, July 31, 2009

Mr. BILBRAY. Madam Speaker, I submit the following.

Requesting Member: Congressman BRIAN BILBRAY

Bill Number: H.R. 3288—Department of Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010

Account: Department of Transportation, Federal Highway Administration, Interstate Maintenance Discretionary

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: City of San Diego, CA

Address of Requesting Entity: 202 C Street, San Diego, CA 92101

Description of Request: I secured \$1,000,000 to fund initial construction work for an interstate highway interchange improvement project of regional and national significance, which will widen I-5 and connect it with S.R. 56 in San Diego, significantly improving mobility of goods and people. The I-5 corridor is the primary north-south link between Southern California—San Diego, Los Angeles, Orange County—and Mexico, and S.R. 56 is one of the few east-west freeways serving the San

Diego region. The vicinity of the interchange project experiences extensive, recurrent traffic congestion, with average daily counts of 261,000 vehicles (including 10,000 trucks), projected to reach 430,000 vehicles daily within 20 years. Environmental and design work for the project is complete, and additional construction funding is programmed in current Regional and State Transportation Improvement Plans for future federal, state, and local highway funding allocations. Local and State sources will finance at least 20 percent of the total project cost. The project addresses the authorized purposes of the Department of Transportation Interstate Maintenance account, which includes funding for the addition of new interchanges.

WASHINGTON ARMY AND AIR NATIONAL GUARD

HON. DAVID G. REICHERT

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, July 31, 2009

Mr. REICHERT. Madam Speaker, today I rise in honor of the members of the Washington National Guard, including the 81st Brigade Combat Team that began returning from serving in Iraq on July 29, and thank them for their tireless and brave service in defense of our nation.

Coming from all communities, backgrounds and professions of Washington State, members of the Army and Air National Guard of Washington continuously serve this country at home and abroad. The 81st, headquartered in Seattle, mobilized on August 18, 2008 and is composed of 2,478 citizen-soldiers from Washington, helped by an additional 843 soldiers from the California Army National Guard, eighty soldiers from the Texas Army National Guard and twelve soldiers from the Montana Army National Guard. While deployed, the 81st served as convoy security, force protection, and conducted provincial reconstruction and base operations missions. Previously, the 81st served in Iraq from March, 2004 to March, 2005.

As the 81st continues its journey home over the next few weeks, I pray for their safety and their transition back to civilian life. The service all the men and women of the Washington Army and Air National Guard provide abroad and at home engenders hope, faith and security in the people of Washington. Therefore, as a representative of the 8th District of Washington and along with the rest of the Washington congressional delegation, I applaud and honor the sacrifice and service of the Washington Army and Air National Guard and wish them Godspeed on their journey back home.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. BILL POSEY

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, July 31, 2009

Mr. POSEY. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks as well as in accordance with Clause 9 of Rule XXI, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks for my Congress-

sional District as a part of H.R. 3326 Department of Defense Appropriations Act, 2010.

Requesting Member: Congressman BILL POSEY and Congresswoman CORRINE BROWN
Project Funding Amount: \$3,000,000
Bill Number: H.R. 3326, Department of Defense Appropriations Act, 2010

Account: OM,A

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Florida Manufacturing Extension Partnership.

Address of Requesting Entity: Florida Manufacturing Extension Partnership located at 1180 Celebration Boulevard, Celebration, Florida 34747.

Description of Request: The funding will be used by the Florida Manufacturing Extension Partnership for the Defense Job Creation and Supply Chain Initiative. This project will create or retain defense manufacturing jobs in Florida while providing Department of Defense response capability to demand surges and reduced risk of supply-chain disruptions.

Consistent with Republican Leadership's policy on earmarks, I hereby certify that to the best of my knowledge this request (1) is not directed to any entity or program that will be named after a sitting Member of Congress; (2) is not intended to be used by an entity to secure funds for entities unless the use of the funding is consistent with the specified purpose of the earmark; and (3) meets or exceeds all statutory requirements for matching funds where applicable.

Requesting Member: Congressman BILL POSEY

Project Funding Amount: \$935,000

Bill Number: H.R. 3326, Department of Defense Appropriations Act, 2010

Account: OM,A

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Florida Institute of Technology

Address of Requesting Entity: Florida Institute of Technology, located at 150 West University Boulevard, Melbourne, Florida 32901.

Description of Request: The funding will be used to provide new, upgraded training space for Army and Army National Guard Reserve Officers Training Cadet Corps.

Consistent with Republican Leadership's policy on earmarks, I hereby certify that to the best of my knowledge this request (1) is not directed to any entity or program that will be named after a sitting Member of Congress; (2) is not intended to be used by an entity to secure funds for entities unless the use of the funding is consistent with the specified purpose of the earmark; and (3) meets or exceeds all statutory requirements for matching funds where applicable.

Requesting Member: Congressman BILL POSEY

Project Funding Amount: \$4,000,000

Bill Number: H.R. 3326, Department of Defense Appropriations Act, 2010

Account: RDTE,DW

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Soneticom, Inc.

Address of Requesting Entity: Soneticom, Inc., located at 1045 South John Rodes Boulevard, West Melbourne, Florida 32904

Description of Request: The funding will be used to enhance currently installed systems for continued operations.

Consistent with Republican Leadership's policy on earmarks, I hereby certify that to the best of my knowledge this request (1) is not directed to any entity or program that will be named after a sitting Member of Congress; (2)