



Motor & Equipment Manufacturers Association
Your First Call for Global Intelligence on the Motor Vehicle Supplier Industry

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VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

Mr. Lachlan Seward
Director of the Advanced Technology Vehicle
Manufacturing Loan Program
Office of the Chief Financial Officer
U.S. Department of Energy
1000 Independence Avenue, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20585

RE: Advanced Technology Vehicles Manufacturing Incentive Program

Dear Mr. Seward:

The Motor and Equipment Manufacturers Association (MEMA) represents almost 700 companies that manufacture motor vehicle parts for use in the light vehicle and heavy duty original equipment and aftermarket industries. MEMA represents its members through three market segment associations: Automotive Aftermarket Suppliers Association (AASA), Heavy Duty Manufacturers Association (HDMA), and Original Equipment Suppliers Association (OESA).

We urge the Department of Energy to adopt our recommendations as you proceed on developing the Interim Final Rule. Our attached comments address issues related to qualifying components, eligibility criteria considerations, and the loan application process. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have additional questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ann Wilson". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Ann Wilson
Senior Vice President
Government Affairs



Automotive Aftermarket
Suppliers Association



Heavy Duty
Manufacturers Association



Original Equipment
Suppliers Association