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Via Certified Mail No. 7008 1140 0004 6355 9485
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FOIA Officer
United States Department of Energy
1000 Independence Avenue, SW
Washington, DC 20585

Re: ***Freedom of Information Request***

To Whom It May Concern:

On or around September 15, 2009, our firm contacted the U.S. Department of Energy and requested the names of companies who had filed applications . We were informed by Department of Energy Senior Administrative Assistant, Linda Vawter, that this information could not be released. We were instructed over the phone by a certain member of the Department of Energy Staff to make a Freedom of Information Act Request. Therefore, please consider this to be our formal request pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act and 10 CFR part 1004 for the names of all entities or persons who have filed applications for loan guarantees pursuant to the following Loan Guarantee Solicitations Announcements:

- Federal Loan Guarantees for Electric Power Transmission Infrastructure Investment Projects; Solicitation Number: DE-FOA-0000132.
- Federal Loan Guarantees for Projects that Employ Innovative Energy Efficiency, Renewable Energy, and Advanced Transmission and Distribution Technologies; Solicitation Number: DE-FOA-0000140.

It is not our intent to obtain details of applicants' projects or business operations, and we understand that some content in applications may be considered confidential or contain proprietary information. It is only our intent to learn the identity of the applicants. Accordingly, if the foregoing information is not available in list format, please provide a copy of the first page of each applicant's application that identifies such applicant, or if such page in your opinion contains confidential or proprietary information, a copy of another page that identifies the applicant and in your opinion does not contain confidential or proprietary information or a copy of such page redacting any confidential or proprietary information.

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Naman, Howell, Smith & Lee, L.L.P. shall pay any fees pursuant to 10 CFR 1004.9 and associated with fulfilling this request.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,

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By: Jay Lea

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