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Re: Funding Proposal for ZMC America Inc.

Dear Mr. Augustine,

As I discussed briefly on June 22 with Secretary Chu in Battle Creek, Michigan, I am enclosing here five copies of an unsolicited proposal from ZMC America Inc., a subsidiary of the Toronto-based electric vehicle company ZENN Motor Company Inc. (ZMCI).

ZMCI holds exclusive commercial automotive rights to a new energy storage technology currently being developed by EEstor Inc. of Texas. ZMC America proposes to develop advanced electric drivetrains, systems, and methods to maximize the electrical storage, performance and operating characteristics of solid state (ultra-capacitor) powered vehicles capable of operating at up to 3,500 volts.

ZMC America is seeking funding from the Department of Energy to support the establishment of an Ultra High Energy Drive applied research and development facility in my congressional district here in Michigan. The objective of this facility is to enable the rapid commercialization of next generation electric vehicles with extensive on-board power storage.

Thank you for giving full and fair consideration to ZMC America's proposal. This project is anticipated to initially create up to 100 badly-needed research, administrative, electrical, mechanical, and software engineering jobs in Michigan, and could provide significant secondary OEM and electric drive component manufacturing job creation opportunities for the future.

Please feel free to contact me on my cell phone at 269-209-3940, or Lisa Dedden Cooper in my office at 517-780-9075, if you have any questions or require further information. I would also be grateful if you would keep my office informed of the progress of this proposal.

Sincerely,

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