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Energy & Economy Network**

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Dear Representative,

On behalf of our millions of members and activists, we urge you to support the People's Budget of the Congressional Progressive Caucus because of the strong vision it lays out for our environmental and energy priorities. This is a spending blueprint that reflects the urgency of the looming climate crisis and the crucial importance of funding the programs that safeguard our air, water, land and wildlife.

Budgets are about priorities—and the People's Budget prioritizes both people and the planet. It does this with major investments in renewable energy and worker training that will ensure the rapid and just transition to the clean energy economy of the future that our country needs. Instead of continuing to subsidize dirty energy, the budget ends billions in Big Oil subsidies and stops fossil fuel companies from passing the costs of their pollution onto the American people by instituting a price on carbon. It increases the funding necessary to protect our public lands and waters, all while creating thousands of jobs through new investments in Green jobs and sustainable transportation. This is a positive vision that would position the U.S. as an international leader in the fight against climate change.

We endorse the People's Budget because it is responsible in human, environmental, and fiscal terms. Now more than ever we need leadership to illustrate how we can make the changes needed to avoid the worst impacts of climate change. This is an important opportunity to exhibit that leadership by supporting real environmental solutions. We encourage you to take it.

Sincerely,

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