

August 22, 2013

Daniel M. Tangherlini
Administrator (Acting)
The General Services Administration
1800 F Street NW, Room 6459
Washington, DC 20405

Dear Mr. Tangherlini:

On behalf of Advanced Energy Economy, a national association of businesses and business leaders who are making the global energy system more secure, clean, and affordable, I am writing you today to offer our support and guidance as you prepare to finalize the Domestic Delivery Service Generation 3 (DDS3) contract.

The DDS3 contract, worth over \$1.5 billion, would be a prime opportunity for the Obama Administration to deliver on its commitments to reduce America's oil dependence and reduce greenhouse gas emissions related to contract transportation services. We strongly believe the vendor that wins the government's new business should be required to meet annual targets for reducing emissions, cutting petroleum use, and increasing the use of alternative fuel vehicles. All of these steps are important to our business members.

The ability to deliver more packages per year while reducing environmental impacts demonstrates the comprehensive energy policy we are striving to achieve. The proposed contract terms are supported by President Obama's Executive Order 13514 on Federal Leadership in Environmental, Energy and Economic Performance. That order, issued in 2009, requires every agency to adopt a sustainability plan and to ensure that their vendors are energy efficient and environmentally preferable.

We think the federal government can encourage a more rapid expansion of these electric and natural gas vehicles while cutting spending at the same time. This contract, and those forthcoming, offer huge opportunities in reducing petroleum use and unwanted emissions, providing greater energy security, cleaner air, and progressive climate action.

Sincerely,



Graham Richard
CEO
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