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**Congress of the United States**  
**House of Representatives**  
**Washington, DC 20515-0916**

July 24, 2009

Ms. Nancy Kiyota  
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1617 Cole Blvd.  
Golden, CO 80401-3393

RE: Recovery Act- Solar Transformation, Topic 2: Solar Workforce Development

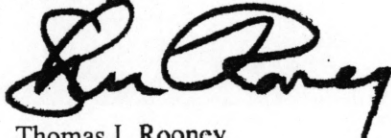
I am writing to express my support for Sunlast Solar's "Solar Workforce Development Project" grant application to be the Regional Resource & Training Provider for the Southeast. Sunlast's headquarters are in Palm City, FL which I am honored to represent in Congress.

Sunlast predicts the project will result in training directly and indirectly over 21,000 installers over a 5 year period. The company has invested close to a million dollars into product testing and has unique experience related to the stringent building codes across the region. Sunlast has received High Velocity Hurricane Dade approvals on 16 products and 12 Florida Product Approvals /UL Test 580. All of these products manufactured and tested can be used with PV solar technologies.

Currently, the company plans to expand and build on the PV Solar Installation Training already in place. Sunlast provides hands-on learning and field training opportunities as part of its curriculum. They are committed to seeing that the Southeast region continues to embrace and adapt to solar energy in the most efficient and effective manner possible.

The company provides a unique combination of training with real world application and experience making it an ideal candidate for the Regional Resource & Training Provider designation. Thank you for your consideration of Sunlast Solar's application and ask for your support.

Sincerely,



Thomas J. Rooney  
Member of Congress



## Department of Energy

Washington, DC 20585

September 21, 2009

The Honorable Thomas J. Rooney  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515-1906

Dear Congressman Rooney:

Thank you for your July 24, 2009, letter to the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) supporting the proposal submitted by Sunlast Solar in response to DOE's Funding Opportunity Announcement DE-FOA-0000078, *Recovery Act: Solar Market Transformation*.

This solicitation closed on July 30, 2009, and applications are currently under review. Each application, including the one from Sunlast Solar, will be given due consideration in the review process, and evaluated according to the criteria and process described in the FOA. Selections are anticipated to be announced later this year.

We appreciate your interest, and that of your constituent, in DOE's solar technologies projects funded by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act. If you need additional information, please contact me or Mr. Jonathan Levy, Office of Congressional and Intergovernmental Affairs, at (202) 586-5450.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jacques Beaudry-Losique".

Jacques Beaudry-Losique  
Deputy Assistant Secretary for Renewable Energy  
Office of Technology Development  
Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy

