

28 May 2008

The Honorable Doug Lamborn  
United States House of Representatives  
437 Cannon HOB  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Re: FY 2009 Appropriations Requests and Full Disclosure of Requested Projects

Dear Congressman Lamborn,

As an advocate for full disclosure in the appropriations process, we would like to commend you for releasing the full list of projects you've requested for FY 2009. Your policy of only making requests that promote our nation's defense, as well as providing full disclosure on these projects reflects not only their legitimacy, but also their important role in improving our nation's defenses.

The projects you have identified for potential funding will not only help sustain the growing military missions in the Pikes Peak region, but will also provide support to local small businesses with promising new technologies, and will strengthen our local economy.

It is with great pleasure that we offer our support, on behalf of the Greater Colorado Springs Chamber of Commerce, for not only the appropriations you've requested, but also the manner in which you have done so. In a time where real transparency is lacking in Washington, your actions provide a refreshing change of pace. We wholeheartedly support the requests you've made and look forward to monitoring the positive impact they will have on our national defense and local economy.

Respectfully,



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Chief Executive Officer