Subject Line: Join the Call to #endenergypovertyfaster

Dear....

As you know, [I'm an active supporter of energy access/I work in energy access to bring power to as many homes as possible]. I want to let you know about a Call to Action that will help make real progress in reaching the 1.1. billion people still living without clean power.

On April 14, Power for All—a global campaign to accelerate energy access—launched a Call to Action to multilateral development banks (MDBs) urging them to take critical steps to increase the pace of energy access to achieve sustainable energy for all by 2030, or sooner.

MDBs still focus most of their energy funding on projects that take many years to complete. Large scale electricity projects can take a long time to plan, fund and build, some taking over a decade. Every day people wait for energy, there is a huge cost; billions lose out on the health, education, and opportunity that come with clean, reliable power.

With its partners, Power for All identified three actions that MDBs can pursue to accelerate energy access and help achieve poverty eradication:

1. Add energy access opportunity cost assessments into funding decisions;
2. Create a dedicated energy access superfund; and,
3. Create decentralized renewable energy fast-track funding Intermediaries in key countries suffering from energy poverty.

Today, distributed renewables already provide energy services to a 100 million people and companies in the pico solar sector are estimated to be reaching nearly 2 million households per month with basic energy services.

Greater support for decentralized technologies—including solar, hydro, □biomass and wind designed for households and businesses—will further increase the pace of energy access, bringing huge benefits to health, education, poverty, jobs, safety and more for millions living in the world's poorest countries.

Please join me in supporting this initiative and call the MDBs to take action.

You can help by signing this petition, or getting active in the #endenergypovertyfaster social media campaign.

If we work together, another generation will not have to wait to get clean, safe power.

Thank you,