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Congress of the United States House of Representatives COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND COMMERCE

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April 4, 2023

The Honorable Gina Raimondo Secretary Department of Commerce 1401 Constitution Avenue, N.W. Washington, DC 20230

Dear Secretary Raimondo:

Over the past two years, under one-party Democratic rule, Congress and the Biden administration have spent trillions of dollars across the federal government. Beginning with the American Rescue Plan Act and most recently with the so-called Inflation Reduction Act, Democrats have funneled an excessive amount of taxpayer dollars to advance their radical, progressive agenda and to benefit their political allies. The CHIPS and Science Act granted the Department of Commerce (the Department) control of \$50 billion to spend on semiconductor activities, including \$39 billion in manufacturing incentives. The American people deserve a full, transparent, and regular accounting of the funds that have been spent, where the funds have gone and for what purpose, who has benefited, and how much remains.

We request the Department provide the Committee on Energy and Commerce regular updates on the status of funding the Department has received from the CHIPS and Science Act, including but not limited to, the Creating Helpful Incentives to Produce Semiconductors (CHIPS) for America Fund.

Specifically, we request a monthly report to the Committee from the Department on the following for each of the above accounts/line items (as applicable):

- 1. The total amount of funding that has been obligated to date.
- 2. Statutory authority associated with obligated funds.
- 3. A list of each financial award funded, in part or in full, by this account, including the following information for each award:
 - a. Statutory authority for providing the award.
 - b. All recipients for which funding has been obligated.

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- c. The amount of funding that has been obligated for each recipient.
- d. The type of award (e.g., grant, loan, etc.).
- 4. The number, job titles, duties, and worksite locations of employees, including contractors, who have been hired using the funding.
- 5. An accounting of the funds that have not yet been obligated.

Please respond with the first report no later than April 18, 2023.

Sincerely,

Cathy McMorris Rodgers Chair Energy and Commerce Committee

Gus Bilirakis Chair Subcommittee on Innovation, Data, and Commerce

H. Morgan Griffith Chair Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations

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