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Record Description:

I am writing to you to request information regarding the applicants for the Department of Energy's $25 billion low-interest loans related to the Advanced Technology Vehicle Manufacturing Incentive Program. Applications were due December 31, 2008. The Associated Press reported on January 3, 2009 that 34 companies had filed applications for these loans, including Ener1 Inc and its subsidiary EnerDel.

Specifically, I would like to get the following information.

1) The names of the 34 companies applying for the loans along with the contact person listed for those firms.
2) Any documents that outline the criteria the DOE will use in awarding these loans; the terms and conditions of the loans; and the timetable for loans to be awarded.
3) A copy of the full application filed by Ener1 Inc/EnerDel.

Preferred Form or Format: PDF or Word

Type of Requester (if provided):

Affiliated with a private corporation and seeking information for the use in the company's business.

Fees and Fee Waivers:

I agree to pay up to a specified amount for fees. Enter amount $ 2,000

Waiver or Reduction of Fees Factors (if provided):

Expedited Processing:

I believe a compelling need exists to warrant expedited processing because there is:

an urgency to inform the public concerning actual or alleged Federal Government activity exists (this option available ONLY for requesters primarily engaged in disseminating information)

Specific Justification for Expedited Processing:

I have reason to believe that Ener1/EnerDel lacks competitive technology so that a loan to the company may represent a misuse of government funds. If I can confirm this based on

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Enerl/EnerDel's application, then I would share this information with media sources that could better disseminate it. Moreover, Enerl represents itself as an American company, but the controlling shareholder is Russian.