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The Advanced Geothermal Energy Research and Development Act (H.R. 2304)
The Marine Renewable Energy Research and Development Act (H.R. 2313)

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Statement of Subcommittee on Energy & Environment Ranking Member Bob Inglis (SC-4)

Thank you for holding this hearing, Mr. Chairman. I also appreciate Mrs. Hooley's and Mr. McNerney's work to introduce these bills that highlight two renewable energy sources that can help America achieve energy security.

The solution to our energy problems will come from a variety of sources, and they need to be clean, renewable, and affordable. Since geothermal and marine-related energy sources fit that description, I'm looking forward to hearing from our witnesses today about the research that will make these alternatives affordable in the commercial market.

Thank you again, Mr. Chairman, and I look forward to discussing these two bills before the committee.