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Greetings,

I am pleased to invite you to join us on August 18, 2022, from 12:30 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. EDT for our launch of the U.S. Department of Energy's (DOE) Rural and Municipal Utility Advanced Cybersecurity Grant and Technical Assistance Program (RMUC Program). Led by DOE's Office of Cybersecurity, Energy Security, and Emergency Response (CESER), the RMUC Program will prioritize investments in rural, municipal, and small investor-owned utilities that have limited cybersecurity resources, are critical to the reliability of the bulk-power system, and/or those that own defense critical electric infrastructure.

DOE is committed to making improvements in rural and municipal energy infrastructure that align with the community's goals and insights. During this kick-off session we will include time for a listening session, providing an opportunity for your input to help us develop and design a program that meets your priority goals. Your involvement in this session, and through other avenues like responses to a request for information, will help inform a comprehensive program plan over the next five years.

You can register for the kick-off of the RMUC Program on August 18th and the first listening session [here](#). This session will initiate conversations on key priorities of the eligible utilities. Registration is required.

Additional listening sessions will focus on topics specific to rural electric cooperatives (Thursday, September 15) and municipal electric utilities (Thursday, September 29), times TBA. All listening sessions are free to attend and will be closed to the press.

This program is made possible by leveraging \$250 million made available in Section 40124 of the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL). The BIL is an [investment in our nation's infrastructure](#) that will ensure our clean energy future is resilient and secure.

We hope to see you on August 18th as we launch this exciting initiative.

Sincerely,

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