

**Congress of the United States**  
**Washington, DC 20515**

January 12, 2026

The Honorable Chris Wright  
Secretary  
U.S. Department of Energy  
1000 Independence Ave, SW  
Washington, DC 20585

Dear Secretary Wright,

I write to inquire why the Department of Energy's (DOE) Puerto Rico 100 (PR100) website was recently deleted, and request that it be reinstated. The website was the hub for the DOE's PR100 study. The DOE invested over two years, and millions of dollars, into PR100 to develop strategies to fulfill its mandated goal of 100% renewable energy by 2050. This goal was established because Puerto Rico's electrical system has historically been documented to have reliability challenges with worsening outage metrics, reaching levels significantly worse than the U.S. average.<sup>1</sup>

PR100 is part of an important initiative to help transition the archipelago from a grid facing high costs and significant operational difficulties to a more affordable and resilient clean energy system that can deliver energy security to the people of Puerto Rico. While the study didn't provide a final word on the future of energy for Puerto Rico, it provides a source of data and analysis for experts and critics to continue working on these issues. The website was crucial for the study to succeed by providing direct public access to the study, including summaries and raw data. The removal of the website diminishes the study's ability to help guide federal and local efforts to support Puerto Rico's renewable energy goals.

While the report and data remain accessible through other organizational websites, they lack the accessibility and clarity granted by the website. It may also lead stakeholders to seek clarification over the validity of the data. With the study now reaching a smaller audience, its value to stakeholders and future research may be lessened. This reduces the impact of federal investment in the study, including the contributions of collaborators and the labor of researchers at the DOE, and the national labs. Furthermore, the website's deletion raises troubling questions about your commitment to scientific research, even when the research may not align with your ideology.

DOE has also recently canceled billions of dollars in Puerto Rican renewable energy infrastructure project funding and loans, which is impacting planned transition efforts.<sup>2,3</sup> These developments affect stakeholders' confidence in the DOE's long-term planning efforts. This is a significant setback for the future of the DOE, complicating its mission to ensure America's security and prosperity by addressing energy and environmental challenges through transformative science and technology solutions.

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<sup>1</sup> <https://ieefa.org/resources/rooftop-solar-puerto-rico-reaches-10-grid-reliability-continues-wane>

<sup>2</sup> <https://ieefa.org/resources/rooftop-solar-puerto-rico-reaches-10-grid-reliability-continues-wane>

<sup>3</sup> <https://www.canarymedia.com/articles/distributed-energy-resources/puerto-ricos-energy-future-distributed-solar-or-centralized-grid>

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I ask that the website be reinstated no later than February 12, 2026.

Sincerely,



Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez  
Member of Congress



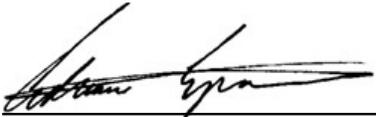
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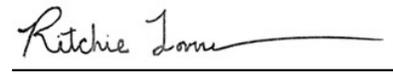
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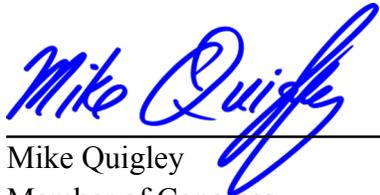
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