

# United States Senate

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July 24, 2024

The Honorable Jennifer Granholm  
Secretary  
U.S. Department of Energy  
1000 Independence Avenue SW  
Washington, DC 20585

Dear Secretary Granholm,

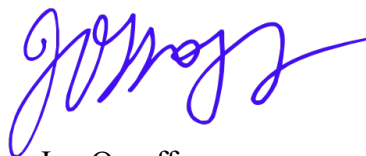
I write in support of the application submitted by Rivian Automotive for Federal funding through the U.S. Department of Energy Loan Programs Office's Advanced Technology Vehicles Manufacturing (ATVM) Loan Program.

Rivian Automotive plans to use this Federal funding to construct its Stanton Springs North electric vehicle manufacturing facility in the City of Social Circle, Georgia. This facility will produce Rivian's future, mass-market Adventure Vehicles, including the R2, R3, and R3X. The approximately 9 million square foot facility will be Rivian's second domestic manufacturing plant and represents its highest capacity production facility with an estimated total annual capacity of 400,000 units to support both domestic and international markets.

This Federal funding would enable Rivian to restart construction plans to build this facility in Georgia and ramp manufacturing capacity for the R2 to meet current and future high demand. The State of Georgia has already invested in the success of Rivian and without this Federal funding those taxpayer dollars could go to waste. Additionally, this funding would directly support economic development in the City of Social Circle, Walton, Newton, Morgan, and Jasper Counties, and the larger region. According to Rivian, the project will lead to an increase in employment opportunities and is anticipated to generate an estimated 13,000 new well-paying clean energy jobs and 2,000 construction-related jobs. Rivian has also partnered with state and local agencies on infrastructure projects and workforce development initiatives to strengthen its investment in Georgia.

I urge the Department of Energy to give Rivian Automotive's LPO ATVM Loan program funding application its fullest consideration, consistent with all agency rules and regulations. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact my office.

Sincerely,



Jon Ossoff  
United States Senator

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