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Dear Mr. Sennholz,

I am a high school debater as well as a regular contributor to the cause of free enterprise and limited government.

The high school debate topic this year is Resolved:  
That the federal government should establish a comprehensive program to significantly increase the energy independence of the United States.-- As you can see, most interpretations will be for more government controls and regulations.  
Naturally, I would like to propose a free enterprise solution to the energy crisis.

To that extent, with your knowledge and experience in energy matters, you could help me by recommending any especially good source books on the subject and perhaps send me some helpful materials you may have access to. Nevertheless, I have to have the federal government "establish" the program. Is there a way the government might by law or by unrestricted grants encourage free enterprise development of energy alternatives and/pr production?

If you could answer that question I'd be most grateful. Thank you.

Sincerely,

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