



## Sample Email to the Joint Budget Committee and Governor's Office

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Subject: Protect High-ROI Advanced Industries Programs

Dear Joint Budget Committee and Office of Governor Polis,

The state is risking Colorado's leadership as a national and international hub for innovation with the disproportionate cuts currently proposed to OEDIT's Advanced Industries Accelerator Grant and Tax Credit Programs. We appreciate OEDIT's efforts to work with us to try to avert cuts to the tax credit, but I am reaching out because of my grave concerns with proposed cuts to the Grant Programs.

[Add specific detail about how Advanced Industries Grants or Tax Credits have advanced your research or business, including attracting additional investment, creating jobs, and accelerating breakthrough technologies to patients.]

I urge you to take a hard look at the long-term consequences of cutting the Advanced Industries Accelerator Grant Programs. For every \$1 invested in grants for advanced industries, Colorado sees \$19.2 in economic impact. I understand the state is facing difficult budget decisions, but these are the wrong programs to cut.

Since 2016, the Grant Programs have:

- ✓ Attracted \$2.9 billion in follow-on capital
- ✓ Created over 5,000 high-paying jobs and retained 5,000 more jobs
- ✓ Supported the formation of 124 new companies

The Grant Programs pay for themselves many times over—driving revenue that supports public services across the state. Cutting them weakens Colorado’s future economic growth and threatens life-saving innovations for patients.

Colorado has worked hard to build a strong innovation economy. These cuts send the wrong message—to businesses, investors, and researchers who could easily take their ideas elsewhere—and harm the state’s economic growth. Colorado should be competing for top talent and investment, not driving it away.

Please reconsider these cuts and prioritize funding that delivers strong ROI for Colorado. Thank you for your time and leadership.

Sincerely,

[Your Name]

[Your Company]