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Dear Potential Participant:

I want to enthusiastically encourage your participation in the Global Commerce Forum's upcoming conference "**A SUSTAINABLE ENERGY FUTURE FOR EMERGING ECONOMIES: FOCUS AFRICA**" October 13-14 in Denver (www.globalconferenceforum.org).

This is expected to be a truly remarkable event that will bring together leaders in renewable energy, natural gas and economic development in emerging economies to discuss a new paradigm for supplying energy in a sustainable way.

Why energy? Energy will be critical to the prosperity of Africa and other emerging economies. Lighting and cooking are essential human needs. And energy and power drive economic growth and prosperity.

Why renewables and natural gas together? Renewables can provide economic and clean approaches to energy in rural areas today. Renewables together with potentially large shale gas supplies across the world offer the best near term approach to cleaner industrial scale power generation.

Why Denver? Denver has the expertise and knowledge in both renewable and natural gas technology with companies and research labs leading important advances applicable throughout the world. And Denver has many non-government organizations working to advance growth in Africa and other developing countries in an environmentally acceptable way.

Whether you are asked to sponsor or speak or attend, I urge you to join with me and the organizers of this event to help establish this conference as an event that will look at how to provide affordable, scalable and sustainable energy options for Africa and other parts of the world.

Thank you for your support and I look forward to seeing you in October at the conference.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Bill Ritter, Jr." in a cursive style.

Bill Ritter, Jr.

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And Former Governor of Colorado