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Dear Mr. Smith:

I do not know you, and the following letter is of little importance. Okay, it is of no importance.

However, it has come to my attention that your state is without electricity. You must be concerned about this matter since not having electricity is well, to be honest with you, not good. It must be awfully difficult to see at night or other, unknown times when the sun is not present. How do you do it?

I would like to tell you that I live in an apartment in a building of multiple apartments in France. It is a good apartment with walls, windows, and a ceiling. It also has electricity available at all times of the day. Never, in my experience, have I been without electricity here. Every day I use my electricity to power a refrigerator, a computer, light bulbs, speakers, a telephone, and a compact disc playing device. About once a year, I even use it to power a vacuum cleaner, a device that you and I both know requires a fair amount of electricity. For this constant flow of AC power, I typically pay about \$20 a month, which is a good deal.

I cannot imagine typing this letter without electricity because without electricity, my computer would not operate properly. Sure, I suppose I could punch the keys while staring at a blank screen. Maybe you're on to something by depriving people of electricity.

But then again, maybe not. Therefore, I would like to propose some assistance. If you can tell me how to transport French electricity from my apartment to your state, I am willing to do so; and I will even sell it to you at a fair price. This exchange, of course, depends on French electricity being compatible with American electricity, which I'm not sure it is. So it may start some fires and produce some smoke, but still, many devices will work. And a little smoke seems to me a small price to pay for affordable electricity.

If you do not wish to carry out the aforementioned plan, I propose another possibility. Steal your electricity from Mexico or China. This may seem rather rash, but, when you think about it, your country's economy steals so many other things from these foreigners that stealing electricity would appear the next logical step. Also, I think China should learn a lesson for stealing that American airplane. Are you the man to teach them this lesson? I believe you are.

Mr. Smith, I still do not know you; and your state still does not have electricity. Oh well, I guess you should get back to work.

Sincerely,

Pierre Blondin