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The Honorable Elizabeth Warren  
311 Hart Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Warren:

Thank you for your letter dated March 5, 2025. We appreciate the opportunity to provide more information about our investment in, and commitment to, the United States economy.

The United States has long been a leader in innovation across industries, and Google is proud to be part of this American story. Google employs more than 100,000 people in the U.S., across offices and data centers in 26 states including [Massachusetts](#), where we have called Cambridge home for more than two decades. Our latest economic impact report shows that, beyond our direct contributions, our services support \$739 billion in economic activity, benefiting millions of American businesses, nonprofits, publishers, creators, and developers. In Massachusetts alone, we generated \$31.3 billion of economic activity for tens of thousands of businesses, publishers, nonprofits, creators, and developers in 2023. Additional information on our investments across states is available [here](#) and [here](#). As we hope these figures demonstrate, we are committed to the United States for the long haul.

In recent decades, we have seen the U.S. government dramatically reduce research and development ("R&D") funding for emerging technologies—with its share of funding for such efforts plummeting from [over two thirds in 1964](#) to less than one quarter today. [By 2020, the](#) private sector was spending four times more than the U.S. government on R&D. Technology firms have led the way in R&D spending among American companies, and the sector collectively accounts for a disproportionately large share of private R&D investments in the U.S. Google invested more than \$50 billion last year in capital expenditures, with major investments in technological infrastructure including data centers, servers, and subsea cables. As the [second largest](#) R&D investor in the world, we also invested more than \$49 billion in R&D to power American technological leadership and to create massive leaps in AI and quantum computing capabilities that advance national security. Google's R&D investments exceed what most [OECD](#) countries spend on R&D.

Factors such as the rule of law, strong protections for intellectual property, thriving capital markets, an educated workforce, and vibrant communities have contributed to the United States' status as a global innovation hub. Tax policy has also played a critical role. R&D expensing, in particular, has historically spurred investment by allowing American companies to use available capital to innovate.



It is in large part thanks to these factors that Google holds all of its intellectual property in the United States and makes the vast majority of its global tax payments in this country. Last year, Google paid over \$20 billion in total taxes, making us one of the largest taxpayers in the country.

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Thank you, again, for the opportunity to respond to your inquiry. We look forward to continuing our efforts to strengthen U.S. technological leadership and promote economic growth while remaining one of the top taxpayers in the country.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Anne E. Wall", is placed below the "Sincerely," text.

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