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Clean Energy Industries Underscore COP 26 Focus on Implementation
BCSE Commends Completion of Paris Rulebook and Turns its Focus on Public Private Partnerships

Washington, DC – The Business Council for Sustainable Energy (BCSE) released the following statement by its President Lisa Jacobson at the close of the Twenty-Sixth Conference of the Parties (COP 26) to the U.N. Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC):

“The take-home message of COP 26 is that it is going to take a whole-of-society approach to implement actions to keep 1.5 degrees Celsius by mid-century within reach. A key partner in that effort is the private sector – we know that countries can continue to raise their ambition on climate because we have in hand clean energy technologies that are cost-effective and readily deployable.

“At COP 26, we saw an unprecedented level of engagement from the private sector, including the BCSE’s largest delegation to date. Over the course of the two-week conference, we saw significant announcements by the U.S. government and new pledges by both the private and public sector in the areas of finance, transportation, methane management and clean electric grids.

“COP 26 delivered on several key objectives, including reaching agreement on the unfinished pieces of the Paris Rulebook – specifically transparency and carbon markets. Adoption of the guidance for Article 6 was particularly important so that emissions trading, a cost-effective tool for achieving our climate ambitions, can be deployed globally and with environmental integrity.

“The Glasgow Climate Pact will serve to keep countries accountable through this critical decade for implementation and will also continue to pressure countries to ratchet up ambition.

“There is no reason to waste any more time – we have a broad portfolio of readily-available and affordable clean energy and energy efficiency solutions that can deliver greenhouse gas emissions reductions now and strengthen the resilience of our communities against the impacts of climate change.”

Find out more about the BCSE's COP 26 delegation and events here: bcse.org/cop26.

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The Business Council for Sustainable Energy (BCSE) is a coalition of companies and trade associations from the energy efficiency, natural gas and renewable energy sectors, and also includes investor-owned utilities, public power, independent power producers, project developers, equipment manufacturers, and environmental and energy market service providers. Established in 1992, the Council advocates for policies that expand the use of commercially-available clean energy technologies, products and services.

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