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Clean Energy Businesses Support Funding for Federal Clean Energy Programs

Statement from Lisa Jacobson, BCSE President

“Clean energy and demand-side energy efficiency should be central to infrastructure improvement measures enacted in the 117th Congress, with a focus on resilience and improved public health and safety. A key aspect of rebuilding our nation’s infrastructure will be to enact robust funding for clean energy programs managed by federal agencies.

“The 2021 Sustainable Energy in America Factbook recently released by the BCSE and BloombergNEF shows that despite major headwinds brought about due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the transformation of how the U.S. produces, delivers, and consumes hydrocarbons, electrons and heat marched onward.

“Congress has the opportunity to build on market conditions by funding research, development and deployment across a broad portfolio of technologies and industries, including energy efficiency and CHP, hydropower and marine energy, geothermal energy, wind, solar, energy storage, microgrids, carbon management and utilization, hydrogen, critical minerals, sustainable transportation and others to meet the need for grid reliability and safety, while boosting economic growth and reducing environmental damage.”

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