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BCSE Welcomes Odinakachukwu N.K. Ezeobebe, 2022 Jan Schori Summer Fellow

Washington, DC – The Business Council for Sustainable Energy (BCSE) welcomes Odinakachukwu “N.K.” Ezeobebe as the 2022 Jan Schori Summer Fellow.

Ms. Ezeobebe is an Executive MPA candidate at the School of International and Public Affairs (SIPA), Columbia University, where her focus is on International Economic Policy and Sustainability. Before SIPA, N.K. worked at PricewaterhouseCoopers, Nigeria, in audit, management consulting, investment advisory, and transaction services. She was the Vice President of Finance at Releaf Nigeria, an Agri-tech startup where she led and supported capital raising.

Ms. Ezeobebe’s work as a BCSE fellow will focus on adaptation and finance in the realm of the international negotiations on climate change. BCSE President Lisa Jacobson commented on the importance of this work to the coalition’s international objectives:

“Ms. Ezeobebe’s experience in the energy and investment sectors in Nigeria, and current interests in public policy, will contribute to the BCSE’s ability to bring private sector as partners into the UN process.

“Understanding how clean energy businesses can best partner with governments to address adaptation and finance priorities of developing countries, and specifically Africa in the UN process, will be important to making the upcoming COP 27 in Sharm El Sheik, Egypt in November a success.”

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The Fellowship was established in 2008 to honor Jan Schori upon her retirement as General Manager and Chief Executive Officer of the Sacramento Municipal Utility District (SMUD), the nation’s sixth largest publicly owned electric utility. Ms. Schori also served as the chair of the Business Council for Sustainable Energy’s Board of Directors. During her 14-year tenure as CEO, the utility earned a strong reputation for its renewable energy and



energy efficiency programs as well as the national number one ranking in commercial customer satisfaction by JD Power & Associates. Prior to serving as CEO she spent 15 years on the legal staff at SMUD, the last 5 as general counsel.