

September 12, 2023

The Honorable Kay Granger, Chair
House Committee on Appropriations
2308 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro, Ranking Member
House Committee on Appropriations
2413 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Patty Murray, Chair
Senate Committee on Appropriations
154 Russell Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Susan Collins, Vice-Chair
Senate Committee on Appropriations
413 Dirksen Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Chairs Granger and Murray and Ranking Members DeLauro and Collins:

We are writing as a group of clean energy business groups and trade associations to encourage Congress in Fiscal Year 2024 to continue to provide robust resources for clean energy, energy efficiency, and sustainable transportation programs across the Federal Government including those at the Departments of Energy, Agriculture, State, and Interior, the Environmental Protection Agency, and elsewhere across the Federal Government.

We recognize that Congress is committed to ensuring fiscally responsible spending on Federal programs and is operating under a bipartisan budget agreement. As the House and Senate negotiate final spending bills, we write to convey our support for bipartisan Senate spending proposals which adhere to the negotiated budget caps.

In recent years, Congress has recognized the United States of America must lead the world in clean energy and energy efficiency technologies to meet the need for energy security and grid reliability and safety, while boosting economic growth and reducing environmental impacts. We call on Congress to continue to fund these programs across the Federal Government to ensure that the U.S. remains economically competitive.

Federal investments in clean energy and energy efficiency have spurred private-sector innovation and have enabled commercialization of many clean energy technologies while creating jobs across the United States. Continued clean energy and energy efficiency investments in FY2024, coupled with the recent federal investments in clean energy, will further this work. Documenting this success is a report from the [American Clean Power Association \(ACP\)](#) which has detailed over \$270 billion in capital investment announced for utility-scale clean energy projects and manufacturing facilities since last August alone. And the organization [Environmental Entrepreneurs \(E2\)](#) has tracked 210 projects across 39 states. For information about year-on-year market trends please see the 2023 edition of the BCSE-BNEF [Sustainable Energy in America Factbook](#).

Our organizations look forward to working with you to finalize a FY2024 budget that achieves fiscal restraint while providing the needed funding for clean energy programs. Please feel free to reach out to Ruth McCormick at rmccormick@bcse.org with any questions.

Sincerely,

American Council on Renewable Energy (ACORE)
American Clean Power Association (ACPA)
American Public Gas Association (APGA)
Business Council for Sustainable Energy (BCSE)
Clean Energy Business Network (CEBN)
Clean Energy Buyers Alliance (CEBA)
Coalition for Renewable Natural Gas
Enel North America
Environmental Entrepreneurs (E2)
Fuel Cell and Hydrogen Energy Association (FCHEA)
GTI Energy
Heat is Power Association (HiP)
Metglas, Inc.
National Hydropower Association (NHA)
National Propane Gas Association (NPGA)
Solar Energy Industries Association (SEIA)
US Green Building Council (USGBC)

CC: Members of the House Committee on Appropriations
Members of the Senate Committee on Appropriations