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Clean Energy Industries Voice Support for Federal Investments in Clean Energy, Sustainable Transport, and Energy Efficiency

Washington, D.C. - The Business Council for Sustainable Energy (BCSE) and the Clean Energy Business Network (CEBN) <u>sent a letter</u> to Congressional leadership on Friday conveying strong support for the federal investments that have been made in clean energy, clean transportation, and energy efficiency through the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) and the Inflation Reduction Act (IRA). BCSE and CEBN encourage Congressional leadership and the Biden Administration to continue to support these programs as negotiations continue to address the nation's debt limit and government spending.

"Now is not the time to turn away from progress," said BCSE President Lisa Jacobson. "These federal investments in clean energy, clean transportation, and energy efficiency have already driven more than \$150 billion in capital investment across the country. This momentum is driving us forward, increasing the competitiveness of the U.S. economy and creating good-paying U.S. jobs. We urge Congress to stand with the clean energy businesses that have found new growth through these key incentives."

"Recent investments in clean energy through the tax code and other programs are enabling the private sector to drive historic levels of cleantech deployment that is boosting our nation's energy security and generating jobs in communities across the U.S.," said CEBN President Lynn Abramson. "It is critical that the private sector, especially the small business community, has the long-term certainty in the tax code and other IRA programs to ensure this progress continues."

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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, BCSE advocates for policies that expand the use of commercially-available clean energy technologies, products, and services. For more information on BCSE, please visit bcse.org. For the latest industry data, download the 2023 <u>Sustainable Energy in America Factbook</u>.

The **Clean Energy Business Network (CEBN)** is the small business voice for the clean energy economy, working to enhance opportunities for clean energy providers through policy support, market and technology education, and business development assistance. For more information, please visit: www.cebn.org.