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BCSE Statement in Response to Treasury and IRS Proposed Rules on Prevailing Wage and Apprenticeship Requirements

Washington, D.C. – Lisa Jacobson, President of the Business Council for Sustainable Energy (BCSE), offered the following statement in response to the release of the U.S. Department of Treasury and Internal Revenue Service's <u>proposed regulations to implement the prevailing wage and apprenticeship</u> <u>requirements</u> as enacted under the Inflation Reduction Act (IRA):

"The clean energy transition will rely on an expanding and thriving workforce. Finalization of these rules will provide clarity and certainty on how the tax credits will work on the ground. Importantly, BCSE welcomes the opportunity to participate in the public comment process, which allows the private sector and other stakeholders to share feedback on this proposal.

"The IRA is already driving billions of dollars in clean energy and energy efficiency investment. Establishing clear rules on prevailing wage and apprenticeship requirements is a key step to unlocking the next wave of private capital for the clean energy transition."

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