

August 10, 2026

The Honorable Scott Peters
United States House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Representative Peters:

The Business Council for Sustainable Energy (BCSE) appreciates your leadership in introducing the bipartisan National Coordination on Adaptation and Resilience for Security Act of 2026. BCSE supports this legislation and its goal of establishing a coordinated, forward-looking federal strategy to strengthen the resilience of American communities, infrastructure, and the economy.

Natural hazards, including wildfires, flooding, drought, hurricanes, extreme temperatures, and winter storms pose growing risks to communities, businesses, critical infrastructure, energy systems, and supply chains. Yet, federal resilience programs and resources remain dispersed across numerous agencies. The NCARS Act would improve coordination and accountability by designating a Chief Resilience Officer, establishing interagency working groups, and requiring the development of a National Resilience Strategy and implementation plan.

BCSE particularly supports the legislation's emphasis on collaboration with state, local, Tribal, nonprofit, and private-sector partners. The proposed Partners Council on Resilience would provide an important mechanism for incorporating the experience of non-federal stakeholders and identifying how federal resources, technical assistance, and policies can better support communities, including rural and under-resourced communities.

The legislation would also help make federal investments more effective by reducing duplication, improving coordination across agencies, simplifying access to federal resilience resources, and promoting proactive planning and pre-disaster mitigation.

These measures can protect critical energy, transportation, communications, and supply-chain systems while helping communities prepare for and recover from natural hazards. The bill's proposed federal information clearinghouse would further assist communities by consolidating resilience information, technical assistance, planning tools, and information about available federal programs.

BCSE's diverse business membership recognizes that resilient infrastructure and effective disaster preparedness are essential to maintaining reliable energy service, supporting



economic competitiveness, protecting public and private investments, and strengthening national security. A coordinated national approach can provide greater clarity for businesses and communities while ensuring that federal spending delivers measurable, long-term benefits.

BCSE thanks you for your bipartisan leadership on this important legislation and looks forward to working with you to advance the National Coordination on Adaptation and Resilience for Security Act in the 119th Congress.

Sincerely,

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About the BCSE

The Business Council for Sustainable Energy (BCSE) is a coalition of companies and trade associations that deploy clean energy and decarbonization solutions, with a sector focus on energy efficiency, natural gas, and renewable energy. Established in 1992, members include investor-owned utilities, public power, independent power producers, project developers, technology providers, equipment manufacturers, and environmental and energy market service companies. BCSE's diverse business membership is united around the revitalization of the U.S. economy and the creation of a secure, reliable, and sustainable energy future.