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American Council for an Energy Efficient Economy

The American Council for an Energy-Efficient Economy (ACEEE), a nonprofit, 501(c)(3) organization, acts as a catalyst to advance energy efficiency policies, programs, technologies, investments, and behaviors. We believe that the United States can harness the full potential of energy efficiency to achieve greater economic prosperity, energy security, and environmental protection for all its people. ACEEE carries out its mission by:

- *Conducting in-depth technical and policy analyses*
- *Advising policymakers and program managers*
- *Working collaboratively with businesses, government officials, public interest groups, and other organizations*
- *Convening conferences and workshops, primarily for energy efficiency professionals*
- *Assisting and encouraging traditional and new media to cover energy efficiency policy and technology issues*
- *Educating consumers and businesses through our reports, books, conference proceedings, press activities, and websites*

ACEEE Website: <http://aceee.org/>

American Gas Association

The American Gas Association, founded in 1918, represents more than 200 local energy companies that deliver clean natural gas throughout the United States. There are more than 73 million residential, commercial and industrial natural gas customers in the U.S., of which 95 percent — more than 69 million customers — receive their gas from AGA members. Today, natural gas meets more than one-fourth of the United States' energy needs.

AGA Website: <https://www.aga.org/>

American Public Power Association

Public power is a collection of more than 2,000 community-owned electric utilities, serving more than 48 million people or about 14 percent of the nation's electricity consumers.

Public power utilities are operated by local governments to provide communities with reliable, responsive, not-for-profit electric service. Public power utilities are directly accountable to the people they serve through local elected or appointed officials.

Some of the nation's largest cities – Los Angeles, San Antonio, Seattle and Orlando – operate publicly owned electric utilities, but many public power communities are small with their utilities serving 3,000 or fewer customers.

APPA Website: www.publicpower.org/

American Wind Energy Association

The American Wind Energy Association (AWEA) is the national trade association for the U.S. wind industry – the country's fastest growing energy industry. With thousands of wind industry members and wind policy advocates, AWEA promotes wind energy as a clean source of electricity for American consumers.

As the premier organization representing the interests of America's wind energy industry, AWEA counts more than 1,200 organizations in its membership program. Our members are wind power project developers and parts manufacturers; utilities and researchers – organizations at the forefront of the wind energy industry.

AWEA Website: <http://www.awea.org/>

Business Council for Sustainable Energy

The Business Council for Sustainable Energy advocates energy and environmental policies that promote markets for clean, efficient and sustainable energy products and services.

The Council strives to be the premier organization promoting clean energy technologies, energy efficiency, renewable energy and natural gas to achieve the goals of sustainable development, including a cleaner environment, a prosperous economy and greater energy security.

The Business Council for Sustainable Energy works to:

- *Enable policies that accelerate the deployment of energy efficiency, renewable energy resources and natural gas*

- *Implement cost-effective programs and policies that recognize the environmental attributes of energy sources*
- *Increase the efficiency of the economy and improve energy security*
- *Encourage market-based initiatives for energy and environmental policies*

BCSE Website: <http://www.bcse.org/>

Edison Electric Institute

The Edison Electric Institute (EEI) is the association that represents all U.S. investor-owned electric companies. Our members provide electricity for 220 million Americans, and operate in all 50 states and the District of Columbia. As a whole, the electric power industry supports more than 7 million jobs in communities across the United States. In addition to our U.S. members, EEI has more than 60 international electric companies as International Members, and hundreds of industry suppliers and related organizations as Associate Members. Organized in 1933, EEI provides public policy leadership, strategic business intelligence, and essential conferences and forums.

EEI Website: www.eei.org

Energy Storage Association

As the national trade association in the U.S., the Energy Storage Association (ESA) is the leading voice for companies that develop and deploy the multitude of energy storage technologies that we rely on every day. Our member companies research, manufacture, distribute, finance, and build energy storage projects domestically and abroad.

Over 25 years ago - when few policy makers knew that electrons could be “warehoused” on an industrial scale - eight pioneering U.S. power utilities dispatched their executives to Washington to form what they called the Utility Battery Group. Their goal was to promote the development and use of energy storage systems in the United States. Today, this alliance is known world-wide as the Energy Storage Association. And it has grown to serve the interests of all kinds of storage solutions - from pumped hydro to compressed air, to thermal storage, to advanced battery and flywheel systems.

The ESA is comprised of over 225 private companies, non-profit organizations, and individual experts working together to educate the public and inform regulators and legislators about the importance of energy storage technologies. Our collective efforts help to create new,

competitive markets and a fair regulatory environment that reflects the value provided by energy storage to millions of residential, commercial and industrial customers.

Energy Storage Association Website: <http://energystorage.org/>

Environmental Council of the States

The Environmental Council of the States (ECOS) is the national nonprofit, nonpartisan association of state and territorial environmental agency leaders. ECOS was established in December 1993 at a meeting of approximately 20 states in Phoenix, Arizona. A 501(c)(6) organization, ECOS relies on dues from its members as well as federal and private sources of funding.

The purpose of ECOS is to improve the capability of state environmental agencies and their leaders to protect and improve human health and the environment of the United States of America. Our belief is that state government agencies are the keys to delivering environmental protection afforded by both federal and state law. Further, we believe that ECOS plays a critical role in facilitating a quality relationship between federal and state agencies in the fulfillment of that mission. That role is defined as:

- *Articulate, advocate, preserve and champion the role of the states in environmental management; and*
- *Provide for the exchange of ideas, views and experiences among states and with others; and*
- *Foster cooperation and coordination in environmental management; and*
- *Articulate state positions to Congress, federal agencies, and the public on environmental issues*

ECOS Website: <https://www.ecos.org/>

National Association of Clean Air Agencies

NACAA is the national, non-partisan, non-profit association of air pollution control agencies in 40 states, the District of Columbia, four territories and 116 metropolitan areas. The heart of NACAA is its strong committee structure. The association's 13 committees – each co-chaired by a state agency director and a local agency director – focus on the wide range of issues related to cleaning up our air. NACAA's 17-member Board of Directors includes a state agency representative from each of the 10 EPA regions across the country and seven local agency

representatives. Officers include co-presidents (one state and one local), co-vice presidents and co-treasurers.

NACAA Website: <http://www.4cleanair.org/>

National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners

Founded in 1889, the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (NARUC) is a non-profit organization dedicated to representing the State public service commissions who regulate the utilities that provide essential services such as energy, telecommunications, power, water, and transportation.

NARUC's members include all 50 States, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands. Most State commissioners are appointed to their positions by their Governor or Legislature, while commissioners in 14 States are elected. Our mission is to serve in the public interest by improving the quality and effectiveness of public utility regulation. Under State law, NARUC's members have an obligation to ensure the establishment and maintenance of utility services as may be required by law and to ensure that such services are provided at rates and conditions that are fair, reasonable and nondiscriminatory for all consumers.

NARUC Website: <https://www.naruc.org/>

National Conference of State Legislatures

Since 1975, NCSL has been the champion of state legislatures. We've helped states remain strong and independent by giving them the tools, information and resources to craft the best solutions to difficult problems. We've fought against unwarranted actions in Congress and saved states more than \$1 billion. We've conducted workshops to sharpen the skills of lawmakers and legislative staff in every state. And we do it every day.

NCSL is committed to the success of all legislators and staff. Our mission is to

- *Improve the quality and effectiveness of state legislatures.*
- *Promote policy innovation and communication among state legislatures.*
- *Ensure state legislatures a strong, cohesive voice in the federal system.*

NCSL Website: <http://www.ncsl.org/>

National Governors Association

Founded in 1908, the National Governors Association (NGA) is the collective voice of the nation's governors and one of Washington, D.C.'s most respected public policy organizations. Its members are the governors of the 55 states, territories and commonwealths. NGA provides governors and their senior staff members with services that range from representing states on Capitol Hill and before the Administration on key federal issues to developing and implementing innovative solutions to public policy challenges through the NGA Center for Best Practices. NGA also provides management and technical assistance to both new and incumbent governors.

NGA Website: <http://www.nga.org>

National Hydropower Association

The National Hydropower Association (NHA) is a nonprofit national association dedicated exclusively to promoting the growth of clean, affordable hydropower, America's leading renewable resource. Through advocacy, policy, and education initiatives, NHA works every day to increase the role that available, reliable, affordable and sustainable hydropower plays in the U.S. electricity sector.

NHA Website: <http://www.hydro.org/>

National Rural Electric Cooperative Association

NRECA represents more than 900 consumer-owned, not-for-profit electric cooperatives, public power districts, and public utility districts in the United States. Below are some of the services NRECA provides to and on behalf of its members:

- Sponsors and administers employee benefit plans for participating cooperatives
- Spearheads communications, advocacy and public relations initiatives
- Carries out federal government relations activities
- Conducts leadership and staff training
- Coordinates national and regional conferences and seminars
- Researches, educates and communicates with NRECA voting members regarding legal, tax, environmental, engineering and other issues
- Performs economic and technical research
- Champions the cooperative business model

NRECA Website: <https://www.electric.coop/>

North American Insulation Manufacturers Association

NAIMA (North American Insulation Manufacturers Association) is the recognized voice of the insulation industry, bringing together North American manufacturers of fiberglass and mineral wool insulation products. Through the Insulation Institute, we leverage the collective insulation expertise of our organization and our members to empower homeowners and professionals to make informed insulation choices. Our mission is to enable a more comfortable, energy efficient and sustainable future through insulation—and we are constantly working with building professionals, homeowners, government agencies, and public interest, energy and environmental groups to realize that vision.

NAIMA Website: <https://insulationinstitute.org/>

Nuclear Energy Institute

NEI's mission is to foster the beneficial uses of nuclear technology before Congress, the White House and executive branch agencies, federal regulators, and state policy forums; proactively communicate accurate and timely information; and provide a unified industry voice on the global importance of nuclear energy and nuclear technology.

NEI's objective is to ensure the formation of policies that promote the beneficial uses of nuclear energy and technologies in the United States and around the world. With member participation, NEI develops policy on key legislative and regulatory issues affecting the industry. NEI then serves as a unified industry voice before the U.S. Congress, executive branch agencies and federal regulators, as well as international organizations and venues. NEI also provides a forum to resolve technical and business issues for the industry. Finally, NEI provides accurate and timely information on the nuclear industry to members, policymakers, the news media and the public.

NEI Website: <https://www.nei.org/>

Schneider Electric

Schneider Electric's mission is to serve our customers by developing innovative products and solutions that simplify the lives of those who use them. We harness the power and promise of the Internet of Things (IoT) to reshape cities, improve industries, and enrich lives. The global specialist in energy management and automation, Schneider Electric operates in over 100 countries with 144,000 employees. By bringing together energy, automation, and software, our IoT-ready EcoStruxure architecture delivers on this promise through connected products; edge control; and apps, analytics & services.

Our technologies transform the places where we live, work, and play. Our goal is to ensure that Life Is On™ for everyone, everywhere, at every moment. To us, Life Is On when life is energized, efficient, and connected. By driving energy efficiency across the markets we serve, we are helping to solve the energy paradox: curbing global energy demand while also closing the energy gap throughout rural communities.

Schneider Electric Website: www.schneider-electric.com/en

Solar Energy Industries Association

The Solar Energy Industries Association (SEIA) is the driving force behind solar energy and is building a strong solar industry to power America through advocacy and education. As the national trade association in the U.S., we represent all organizations that promote, manufacture, install and support the development of solar energy.

SEIA works with its 1,000 member companies to champion the use of clean, affordable solar in America by expanding markets, removing market barriers, strengthening the industry and educating the public on the benefits of solar energy.

Our member companies consist of installers, project developers, manufacturers, contractors, financiers and non-profits, all of whom see the benefit in joining SEIA and working collectively toward a clean future. Together, we hope to continue the already impressive growth of solar across the United States.

SEIA Website: <http://www.seia.org/>

U.S. Green Building Council

The U.S. Green Building Council (USGBC) is committed to transforming the way our buildings are designed, constructed and operated through LEED — the top third-party verification system for sustainable structures around the world. Every day USGBC is helping advance spaces that are better for the environment and healthier for us to live, work and play in. Through our community network, continuous collaboration with industry experts, market research publications and LEED professional credentials, USGBC remains a key driving force in the green building sector.

USGBC Website: <https://www.usgbc.org/>