

The Honorable Chairman Orrin G. Hatch
United States Senate
104 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Ranking Member Ron Wyden
United States Senate
511 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

RE: Support Extending Clean Energy Tax Provisions

July 16, 2015

Dear Chairman Hatch, Ranking Member Wyden:

As companies, organizations, and advocates who support clean and alternative energy technology and energy efficiency deployment, we urge you to support the inclusion of equal treatment for clean energy and energy efficiency tax provisions during any consideration of a broader tax extenders package.

The nation's suite of clean energy and energy efficiency tax provisions have a proven record of lowering the cost of clean energy, cutting carbon, and keeping the U.S. competitive in the global technology race. They promote economic development, job creation, and a cleaner environment. To continue capturing these benefits it is essential to restore stability in the marketplace by providing long-term extensions of these credits and making all provisions retroactive to the beginning of this year.

Businesses and investors need stable, predictable federal tax policy to invest capital, create and maintain jobs, and deploy pollution-reducing energy technologies. Allowing the lapsed clean energy and energy efficiency tax provisions to languish undermines investor confidence and jeopardizes continued economic and environmental benefits. These bipartisan tax provisions have a proven track record of helping scale up production and drive down the cost of clean energy technologies, thereby ensuring that market-ready energy and energy efficiency technologies are deployed to their full potential.

Once again, we urge you to quickly restore the expired clean energy and energy efficiency tax provisions and ensure that these incentives are extended for the same amount of time as other expired or expiring tax provisions. Doing so will help build the economy, create and maintain jobs, and deliver a safer, healthier future for our children.

We appreciate your consideration and look forward to working with you on this important matter.

Sincerely,

Agriculture Energy Coalition
Alaska Wilderness League
Algae Biomass Organization
Alliance to Save Energy

American Biogas Council
American Institute of Architects
American Wind Energy Association
Biomass Power Association
Blue Green Alliance
Business Council for Sustainable Energy
Climate Solutions
Distributed Wind Energy Association
Earthjustice
Energy Action Coalition
Environmental Defense Fund
Environmental Entrepreneurs
Environmental Law and Policy Center
Geothermal Energy Association
Interfaith Power and Light
Johnson Controls
League of Conservation Voters
Montana Environmental Information Center
National Association of State Energy Officials
Natural Resources Defense Council
New Energy Economy
Oceana
Pew Charitable Trust
Physicians for Social Responsibility
Public Citizen
Safe Climate Campaign
Sierra Club
Southern Alliance for Clean Energy
Southern Oregon Climate Action Now
Sustaining Way
The Rachel Carson Council, Inc.
The Wilderness Society
United Steelworkers