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## Biz Groups Urge Trump Administration, Congress to Support Strong Clean Energy Policies

WASHINGTON (Jan. 30, 2017) – The national business groups American Sustainable Business Council (ASBC) and Environmental Entrepreneurs (E2), with a combined membership network representing over 250,000 businesses and with over \$100 billion in venture and private equity capital, today sent a letter to President Donald Trump, the incoming Administration, and the 115<sup>th</sup> Congress encouraging support for policies that will grow the clean energy economy.

The letter, available <u>here</u>, encourages the Trump Administration to pursue policies that grow American jobs – which cannot be shipped overseas – like those in energy efficiency, solar and wind that have been growing in a rapid clip in the past few years.

"America is a leader in the clean energy economy," said Bob Keefe, executive director of E2.

"Companies throughout the United States have been making clean energy pledges and commitments, they support common sense federal rules and legislation that advance clean energy investments, and encourage clean energy planning at the state and local level."

Richard Eidlin, Vice President of Policy and Campaigns for ASBC, states that: "American businesses support policies that drive investment, innovation, and growth. Policies like the Investment Tax Credit and Production Tax Credit for renewable energy encourage and attract investment in U.S. clean energy companies. Initiatives like the Department of Energy's appliance standards and the loan guarantee program enable American businesses to be more competitive and grow jobs."

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<u>The American Sustainable Business Council</u> advocates for policy change and informs business owners and the public about the need and opportunities for building a vibrant, sustainable economy. Through its national member network it represents more than 250,000 business owners, executives and investors from a wide range of industries. <a href="https://www.asbcouncil.org">www.asbcouncil.org</a>

<u>Environmental Entrepreneurs</u> (E2) is a national, nonpartisan group of business leaders, investors, and professionals from every sector of the economy who advocate for smart policies that are good for the economy and good for the environment. Our members have founded or funded more than 2,500

companies, created more than 600,000 jobs, and manage more than \$100 billion in venture and private equity capital. For more information, see www.e2.org or follow us on Twitter at @e2org.