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Biz Group: House Republicans Acknowledging Climate Change an Encouraging Sign – but More Action Needed to Keep Clean Energy Jobs Growing

WASHINGTON (March 15, 2017) – Seventeen House Republicans today introduced a resolution acknowledging the economic threats posed by climate change, pledging they will work toward finding bipartisan solutions.

The following is a statement by Bob Keefe, executive director of the national, nonpartisan business group Environmental Entrepreneurs (E2):

"A growing number of Republican members of Congress realize that the economic threats and economic opportunities that come with climate change are not political or partisan.

"Unfortunately, the White House and EPA just don't get it. By rolling back commonsense policies that promote cleaner vehicles and save gas, energy efficient EnergyStar appliances, and renewable energy, the Trump administration is putting our nation's three million clean energy jobs at risk. We need more members of Congress to stand up and speak out about the importance of climate protection in their states, and the millions of jobs that come with it."

See <u>here</u> for an E2 fact sheet detailing the 3 million U.S. clean energy jobs. Also, social media graphics are available <u>here</u>, <u>here</u> and <u>here</u>.

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