



INTERNATIONAL CLIMATE CHANGE PARTNERSHIP

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Dear Energy Conferee:

On behalf of the International Climate Change Partnership (ICCP), a coalition of companies and industry associations committed to responsible participation in the climate change policy process, we are writing to urge inclusion of provisions on climate change in any final energy legislation to be completed this year.

Many companies have pursued voluntary programs to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and have been reporting these reductions as part of the Department of Energy's 1605(b) program. Additionally, companies are now being asked to participate in programs sponsored by the current Administration, including Climate Leaders and Business Challenges. There is a growing consensus that modifications are necessary in order to properly account for greenhouse gas reporting and to register reductions. Importantly, the Senate energy bill also provides legal recognition for emission reductions.

While there remain inconsistencies between what was proposed by the President in February and what was adopted by the Senate in its version of the energy bill, we believe that these are reconcilable. It would be useful for the executive and legislative branch to agree on a path forward now with respect to voluntary reporting, technology initiatives, and other components of this program.

ICCP members continue to believe that the reporting, registry, and legal recognition provisions are an important step in developing climate change policy. We encourage you to include these provisions in any final energy bill to be completed in this legislative session.

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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