

“The momentum continues to build for National Clean Energy Week with increased support from our nation’s governors, U.S. Senators, and Members of Congress,” **said Heather Reams, executive director of CRES and chair of NCEW.** “National Clean Energy Week’s organizers applaud Senators Susan Collins (R-ME) and Maria Cantwell (D-WA) and Representatives John Curtis (R-UT) and Alan Lowenthal (D-CA) for introducing these bipartisan resolutions, which shine a light on America’s rapidly expanding clean energy sector and its indelible impact on sustaining a healthy economy and protecting national security. Reducing emissions and lowering energy costs for current and future American families should not be a partisan issue, and that’s why National Clean Energy Week is so important.”

“National Clean Energy Week is a terrific platform to celebrate the progress we’ve made in creating a more sustainable energy economy that is providing both economic and environmental benefits,” **said Jason Hartke, president of the Alliance to Save Energy.** “We are excited to participate and to showcase energy efficiency as a leading solution that can deliver tremendous benefits in terms of job creation, energy security and carbon emissions reductions.”

“The American Petroleum Institute is pleased to again support National Clean Energy Week – an important opportunity to spotlight America as the #1 global producer of natural gas and oil and #1 in the world in reducing CO2 emissions – economic leadership that stands to benefit generations to come,” **said API Vice President of Downstream and Industry Operations Frank Macchiarola.** “U.S. natural gas powers more than one-third of America’s electricity needs, along with our country’s robust manufacturing resurgence, and enables increased use of renewable energy from coast to coast. Energy innovation underpins the work of the millions of Americans who support the natural gas and oil industry, and we’re excited to join with partners around the country in celebrating National Clean Energy Week.”

“The wind industry is propelling American energy production, manufacturing, and job creation into the 21st Century,” **said Tom Kiernan, CEO of the American Wind Energy Association (AWEA).** “We’re proud to join National Clean Energy Week this September by recognizing U.S. wind power leadership. Over 114,000 Americans across all 50 states now have wind-powered careers, and wind powers opportunity by paying over \$1 billion in state and local taxes and landowner lease payments every year.”

“The Business Council for Sustainable Energy (BCSE) is pleased to be part of the 2019 National Clean Energy Week. BCSE members, which include energy efficiency, natural gas and renewable energy companies and associations, are the backbone of the transformation that is well underway in the U.S. energy economy towards cleaner, more efficient technologies and resources,” **said Lisa Jacobson, President, Business Council for Sustainable Energy (BCSE).** “This transformation over the past twenty-five years demonstrates that the deployment of a broad portfolio of clean energy solutions supports and grows the U.S. economy – delivering 3.5 million American jobs, low energy prices, greenhouse gas emissions reductions and more-resilient communities. National Clean Energy Week tells this story and highlights policies that can build on this current momentum.”

“Biomass is a baseload, renewable energy source that contributes to rural American economies,” **said Carrie Annand, Executive Director, Biomass Power Association (BPA).** “Biomass

power facilities provide an extra revenue stream for foresters, loggers and farmers, putting to use materials that would otherwise be landfilled, left on the forest floor, or openly burned. We look forward to National Clean Energy Week, where we will discuss policy solutions to ensure that biomass power continues to grow and reach its full potential in the United States.”

“All across the United States, businesses are building the backbone of a growing clean energy economy. These companies are providing more reliable power to apartment complexes and hospitals, helping manufacturers save money, and innovating new technologies that will one day run our cell phones and cars on far less energy,” **said Lynn Abramson, Executive Director, Clean Energy Business Network (CEBN)**. “During National Clean Energy Week, we look forward to demonstrating how clean energy businesses are creating jobs and making the U.S. more competitive in the global energy marketplace.”

“The U.S. Energy Storage Association is pleased to support the U.S. House and Senate resolutions celebrating National Clean Energy Week,” **said Kelly Speakes-Backman, CEO of the U.S. Energy Storage Association**. “Clean and renewable energy is making a real impact today on our climate, the economy and employment, and we’re also seeing exponential growth in the storage industry. “To continue this progress, we’ve called upon Congress to include energy storage as an explicit, stand-alone criteria in the current federal Investment Tax Credit (ITC). Leadership from the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission and many states have already taken action to support storage. Inclusion by Congress in the federal ITC would put our country in the best position to guide us to a more resilient, efficient, sustainable and affordable electricity grid.”

“NHA is pleased to be a part of National Clean Energy Week, as it is the ideal platform to showcase how hydropower is helping the nation lessen its carbon footprint, create jobs and integrate other renewables onto the grid,” **said Malcolm Woolf, President & CEO, National Hydropower Association (NHA)**. “Now more than ever, America needs the clean, renewable, flexible electricity provided by hydropower. As states around the country set goals to decarbonize their energy mix and bolster grid resiliency and reliability, it’s clear that hydropower will play a key role in achieving carbon emission reduction targets.”

“Every day Americans choose to power their homes and businesses with clean, cost-cutting solar energy,” **said Abigail Ross Hopper, president and CEO of the Solar Energy Industries Association (SEIA)**. “More than 2 million U.S. solar installations are creating hundreds of thousands of jobs and adding billions of dollars to our economy. We’re thrilled to be part of this joint effort and look forward to making the 2020s the decade of radical market transformation where more Americans get their power from solar energy.”