June 5, 2025

The Honorable John Thune Majority Leader United States Senate Washington, D.C. 20510 The Honorable Mike Crapo Chairman, Senate Committee on Finance United States Senate Washington, D.C. 20515

RE: Preserve the Section 45V Credit for Production of Clean Hydrogen

Dear Majority Leader Thune and Chairman Crapo,

As you consider critically important tax legislation, on behalf of the below signed businesses and organizations, we request that you maintain the Section 45V Credit for Production of Clean Hydrogen with a commence construction date no earlier than December 31, 2029.

The American hydrogen sector is poised to deliver on the Trump Administration's goals of global energy dominance, by onshoring manufacturing, creating hundreds of thousands of jobs, producing fuels and chemicals desired around the globe, and advancing energy independence. Section 45V is essential to achieving these goals.

Unfortunately, last month the House of Representatives singled out the hydrogen sector by terminating the 45V incentive by the end of 2025, years earlier than other energy incentives that have been in place for decades. If this course of action is adopted by the Senate, it will drive tens of billions of dollars in planned private sector investments out of the United States and into other countries.

Maintaining the 45V credit allows for a true energy diversity, which leverages America's tremendous energy resources including natural gas, hydroelectricity, nuclear power, renewable natural gas, and more. In fact, an estimated 9.8 million metric tons per annum ("mmtpa") of natural gas-based hydrogen capacity is in development across the United States, which would nearly double America's existing hydrogen production volume. According to a recent analysis by Citizens for Responsible Energy Solutions (CRES), these projects could support 60,000 jobs per year across the country between 2025 and 2035 and generate more than \$12 billion in annual GDP.¹ However, those projects are relying on the Section 45V credit to deliver on those investments and jobs.

Failing to act now by preserving 45V means ceding the future of hydrogen to China. While the United States debates its commitment, China is executing a sweeping and coordinated strategy to dominate the global hydrogen supply chain. In 2020, China held less than 10% of global manufacturing capacity for hydrogen production technology, today, that figure exceeds 60%. In March 2024, Beijing directed its provinces to "steadily develop" hydrogen and sustainable fuel infrastructure -- laying out a clear, coordinated strategy to corner the hydrogen market. If the United States pulls back on 45V, it risks repeating the path of other industries — where China captured global leadership while America stood still.

¹ The Economic Impact of Blue Hydrogen. Citizens for Responsible Energy Solutions. May 2025. <u>https://cresforum.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/04/American-Blue-Hydrogen-04.16.25-CRES-Format_VF.pdf</u>.

Keeping the 45V incentive is an extraordinary return on investment. The Joint Committee on Taxation estimated the ten-year costs for 45V at \$9.2 billion.² For the cost of less than \$1 billion a year, the United States has tens of billions of dollars of investments in announced projects located across the country. Texas and Louisiana alone have collectively more than \$40 billion of hydrogen infrastructure projects in development. In addition to these investments, each of the seven Regional Clean Hydrogen Hubs created by the bipartisan infrastructure law have at least \$4-\$5 billion in private sector investments locked in, provided that 45V is kept in place.

Retaining 45V commencement of construction through at least December 31, 2029, would allow for the *minimum* runway needed for the multi-year development cycles these projects require. Anything less puts billions in committed investments — and tens of thousands of jobs—at risk.

With political clarity and investment certainty, the 45V credit can catalyze tens of billions in private capital, revitalize domestic manufacturing, and create stable, long-term employment in construction, operations, and technology innovation. This is an unprecedented opportunity to build a modern energy workforce that is rooted in American talent and ingenuity.

On behalf of the undersigned organizations, we reiterate the critical need to maintain the Section 45V incentive and urgently request that you retain commencement of construction for this incentive through at least 2029. Our sector stands ready to work with you to secure American Hydrogen Energy Dominance. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

American Petroleum Institute American Gas Association Fuel Cell and Hydrogen Energy Association American Chemistry Council Alternative Fuels & Chemicals Coalition American Biogas Council Business Council for Sustainable Energy California Hydrogen Business Council Center for Houston's Future Citizens for Responsible Energy Solutions Clean Hydrogen Future Coalition Green Hydrogen Coalition

Appalachian Regional Clean Hydrogen Hub ARCHES Hydrogen Hub Gulf Coast Hydrogen Hub, HyVelocity Heartland Hydrogen Hub

Bay City Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture Baytown Chamber of Commerce Capital Region Chamber Capital Region Workforce Development Board National Association of Manufacturers United States Chamber of Commerce Coalition for Renewable Natural Gas Hydrogen Fuel Cell Bus Council MEMA. The Vehicle Suppliers Association Methanol Institute Nuclear Hydrogen Initiative Renewable Hydrogen Alliance Southeast Hydrogen Energy Alliance Texas Hydrogen Alliance The Ohio Fuel Cell and Hydrogen Coalition United States Hydrogen Alliance

Mid-Atlantic Clean Hydrogen Hub Midwest Alliance for Clean Hydrogen Pacific Northwest Hydrogen Association

Carlisle Area Chamber of Commerce Cedar Park Chamber of Commerce Central Louisiana Regional Chamber of Commerce

² JCX-22-25R. The Joint Committee on Taxation. May 2025. <u>https://www.jct.gov/publications/2025/jcx-22-25r/</u>.

Chamber of Commerce Southern New Jersey Forward Lawrence Chamber and Economic Alliance Greater Beaumont Chamber of Commerce Greater Port Arthur Chamber of Commerce Greater New Orleans, Inc Greater Shreveport Chamber Houma Terrebonne Chamber of Commerce Houston West Chamber of Commerce Leaders for a Better Louisiana Longview TX Chamber of Commerce

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