

March 23, 2009

Broad Coalition Calls on Congress to Enact a National Renewable Electricity Standard

Dear Members of Congress:

As a diverse group of corporations, manufacturers, electric utilities, renewable energy developers, labor organizations, farm groups, environmental advocates, and state and local governments, we are writing to urge rapid enactment of a national renewable electricity standard (RES) to help the nation take full advantage of the abundant domestic renewable resources available for the generation of electricity.

A recent public opinion survey found that 84 percent of Americans support a national renewable standard. There is good reason. The national RES is directly responsive to some of our nation's most serious national challenges. As our first long-term commitment to renewable energy, a national RES will provide stable policy support, spurring tens of billions of dollars in clean energy investment and creating hundreds of thousands of well-paying jobs. Because many renewable resources are located in remote areas, rural America will experience an especially important economic boost. In addition, at a time when Americans are increasingly concerned about energy imports, a national RES will diversify our sources of electric generation and make America more self-reliant. An RES will save Americans money on their energy bills according to several studies by the U.S. Department of Energy's Energy Information Administration. And, the national RES is one of the most important and readily available approaches to reducing the release of greenhouse gases that are warming the planet.

The time has come for Congress to move quickly to enact national RES legislation. Although 28 states have adopted individual RES programs, America cannot realize the full potential for renewable electricity without the adoption of a Federal program to enhance the states' efforts.

Thank you for your consideration of this important matter.

Sincerely,

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AltaWind Energy Corporation
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Iowa Renewable Energy Association
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Renewable Energy Systems Americas, Inc.
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