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Why Congress Should Extend Clean Energy Tax Measures Clean Energy Industries Urge Congress to Pass EXPIRE Legislation This Year

WASHINGTON – The American Biogas Council (ABC), in conjunction with hundreds of other clean energy organizations, released the following statement from Executive Director Patrick Serfass in response to the release of a letter sent to the House and Senate today urging the passage of the Expiring Provisions Improvement Reform and Efficiency (EXPIRE) Act this year.

"The American Biogas Council is proud to have joined over 500 other clean energy organizations in signing on to a letter to Congress urging immediate action on legislation to extend expired and expiring clean energy tax measures this year.

Businesses and investors need stable, predictable federal tax policy to create jobs, invest capital, and deploy pollution-reducing energy technologies. Allowing the lapsed clean energy tax provisions to languish undermines investor confidence and jeopardizes continued economic and environmental benefits.

According to the Sustainable Energy in America Factbook from Bloomberg New Energy Finance and BCSE, the use of lower and zero carbon energy sources has grown rapidly over the past six years. These sectors are quickly embedding themselves into the mainstream fabric of the US energy economy and tax policy has played a role in this transformation.

These bipartisan tax provisions have a proven track record of helping scale up production and drive down the cost of clean energy technologies, thereby ensuring that market-ready technologies are deployed to their full potential.

The Council looks forward to continuing to work with Congress and the Obama Administration to extend the expired and expiring clean energy tax provisions before the end of the year. Doing so will help build the economy, create jobs, and deliver a safer, healthier energy future."

Please see the full letters to the Senate here and the House of Representatives here.

For more about how biogas systems work, visit: http://www.americanbiogascouncil.org/biogas howSystemsWork.asp

About the American Biogas Council

The American Biogas Council is the only national trade association representing the biogas industry in the U.S. The 501(c)(6) non profit ABC represents over 220 companies dedicated to recycling organic waste using anaerobic digestion to create biogas and valuable soil products. Members include anaerobic digester developers/builders, engine and turbine manufacturers, farmers, wastewater utilities, landfill operators, engineering and law firms, financiers, nonprofits, universities and the entire biogas supply

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