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ACTION BY NON-PROFIT GROUPS NEEDED BY WEDNESDAY COB

Chrissy Harbin at Americans for Prosperity has prepared the joint letter pasted below for signature by non-profit groups. If your group can sign on, please let Chrissy know by close of business on Wednesday. This is a quick turnaround, but the tax bills are moving quickly and some Republican Senators are demanding subsidy extensions for their favorite forms of uncompetitive energy. You may sign on by replying to this e-mail or by e-mailing Chrissy directly or by e-mailing both of us. Chrissy's e-mail address is CHarbin@afphq.org. Please include the following information:

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DRAFT JOINT LETTER

Coalition to Congress: Cut Out Green Energy Handouts To Achieve Tax Reform and Rate Reduction

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Dear Senators and Representatives:

On behalf of our organizations and the millions of Americans we represent, we write to express support for tax reform that repeals special exclusions that benefit certain industries and sectors.

We encourage you to oppose efforts to extend favorable tax treatment to renewable energy industries — e.g., the wind production tax credit (PTC), solar investment tax credit (ITC), and expired tax provisions pertaining to small-scale wind, fuel cell facilities, and geothermal. We note that the unified tax framework provides flexibility to the Senate Finance Committee and the House Ways and Means Committee to "decide to retain some [...] business credits to the extent budgetary limitations allow." We will stand with you in opposing the calls of special interests to preserve these tax narrow provisions.

The unified tax framework calls for reducing the corporate tax rate to 20 percent. This lower rate will benefit the overall economy, incite job growth, and make the tax code internationally competitive. Extending and expanding these tax provisions benefitting narrow special interests makes it difficult to maintain this 20 percent rate.

Over the past decades, favorable tax treatment for renewable energy has consistently failed to deliver on its promises of long-term job creation and economic viability. Americans deserve access to energy solutions that are affordable and reliable—ones that can stand on their own in the marketplace—as well as a federal tax code that is fair and simple. Closing these loopholes would reduce complexity in the tax code and create a level playing field where all energy sources and new technologies can compete.

We applaud your progress to date toward the important goal of pro-growth, comprehensive tax reform. We will stand with you in opposing extending favorable tax treatment for renewable energy industries as you process the unified tax framework into legislative text. Thank you for your consideration.

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