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Statement on Re-Introduction of Portman-Shaheen Energy Efficiency Bill
Clean Energy Industries Applaud Senators for Bipartisan Leadership

Washington, DC — The Business Council for Sustainable Energy (BCSE) released the following statement from BCSE President Lisa Jacobson in reaction to today's re-introduction of the Energy Savings and Industrial Competitiveness Act by Senator Rob Portman (R-OH) and Senator Jeanne Shaheen (D-NH):

“The Business Council for Sustainable Energy applauds Senators Portman and Shaheen for their dedication, determination, and tireless efforts to improving our nation's energy productivity. The Senators have worked long and hard over the past several years on their legislation – known as the Portman-Shaheen bill – to help consumers, businesses, and industry save money on their energy bills.

“According to the 2015 edition of the *Sustainable Energy in America Factbook*, the U.S. economy is becoming more energy-productive with efficiency improvements in buildings, and transportation breaking new ground. This trend combined with other changes in the energy sector are making the U.S. one of the most attractive markets in the world for companies whose operations entail significant energy-related costs.

“The Council is supportive of the bill's broad focus on energy efficiency in residential buildings, commercial buildings, industry and the federal government. BCSE commends Senator Portman and Senator Shaheen for their bipartisan leadership. With the re-introduction of this legislation, and their commitment to get it over the finish line, they are helping to set our country on the course towards greater energy efficiency and economic growth.”

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