April 29, 2019

The Honorable Chuck Grassley  
Chairman, Senate Finance Committee  
219 Senate Dirksen Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Ron Wyden  
Ranking Member, Senate Finance Committee  
219 Senate Dirksen Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Chairman Grassley and Ranking Member Wyden:

We are writing jointly on behalf of the environmental, conservation and renewable energy organizations signed below to respectfully urge enactment of an energy storage tax credit as part of any “extenders package” considered this year.

Specifically, we ask that energy storage be considered an eligible technology for the Section 48 and Section 25D 30% investment tax credits (ITC). Currently, energy storage technologies are only eligible for the investment tax credit as part of hybrid projects, under specific and relatively limited circumstances. Clarifying energy storage’s full eligibility for the ITC would accelerate energy storage deployment, improve power system reliability and resilience, and optimize the nation’s renewable energy resources.

An energy storage tax credit is a shared priority for extender legislation. Such a credit provides a uniquely near-term and impactful way to accelerate the transition to renewable energy, spur economic growth, and reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

We thank you for your consideration and for your support of America’s growing renewable energy sector. We would of course welcome the opportunity to meet and discuss this vitally important measure.

Sincerely,

American Council on Renewable Energy  
Environment America  
Environmental Defense Fund  
League of Conservation Voters  
National Audubon Society

National Wildlife Federation  
Natural Resources Defense Council  
Sierra Club  
Union of Concerned Scientists

Cc  The Honorable Nancy Pelosi, Speaker of the House  
The Honorable Steny Hoyer, House Majority Leader  
The Honorable Kevin McCarthy, House Minority Leader