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Dear Legislative Work Group members,

Thank you to those of you who were able to join last week's meeting. Attached are the notes from our discussion as well as the slide deck from the meeting. You can also view a recording of the meeting [here](#). As always, **please do not share the attached call notes or any of its subsequent attachments beyond your organization**. Let us know if you have any questions about what was discussed.

Additionally, below is a brief update on a few pertinent items discussed during last week's meeting.

45Q Protection Letter

Yesterday, the Carbon Capture Coalition joined **more than 160 companies, trade groups, labor unions, policy organizations, and other organizations at the national, state, and local levels** to call on Congress to maintain critical bipartisan support for the federal Section 45Q tax credit and oppose any efforts to weaken its utility to American businesses. Led by the Carbon Capture Coalition, **this letter represents one of the largest and most diverse groups of companies and organizations assembled to date in support of a common federal policy for carbon management**. A copy of the letter is attached and can also be accessed online via the Carbon Capture Coalition's press release [located here](#).

The broad stakeholder letter focuses on four main areas of significance in retaining and bolstering the 45Q tax credit, including:

- **Carbon Management and the 45Q Tax Credit as a Key Economic Driver**
- **The 45Q Tax Credit's Role in Maintaining Global Energy Leadership**
- **45Q's Role in the Growing Demand for US Electricity**
- **Ensuring American Industries Remain Globally Competitive**

The letter has been sent to Speaker Johnson, Leader Thune, Leader Jeffries and Leader Schumer, as well as dozens of other congressional offices. The media has also picked up the letter and it has been featured in [Politico's Power Switch](#) and in a [separate E&E news story](#).

In the days ahead, please feel free to share the [letter linked here](#) and attached with offices on Capitol Hill, members of the administration, and other stakeholders. We also encourage you to share the letter via your own press release, if it so moves you. The impressive list of carbon management supporters joining this letter underscores the essential role 45Q plays in the buildout of the carbon management industry and the continued need for groups like the Coalition to help convene a diverse cross-section of carbon management stakeholders to develop durable, bipartisan solutions.

119th Congressional Outreach

As we discussed during our last meeting, we anticipate the next several months to move at a break-neck pace with regard to budget reconciliation, appropriations, and other legislative priorities. If we have hope of seeing the Carbon Capture Coalition's shared priorities on 45Q included in a forthcoming budget reconciliation package, it is imperative that members of the Coalition's legislative work group supplement the advocacy efforts of Coalition staff and consultants.

That said, we have prepared a [google spreadsheet](#) that outlines the top office targets on both the Senate Finance Committee and the House Ways and Means Committee, as well as key congressional leadership targets. At this time, the most important touches you can make are with Republican members of these committees and leadership. This will evolve over the coming weeks. We will keep this spreadsheet updated and include rank-and-file members and other committees, as necessary. Please let us know if you have questions in the meantime.

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2024 Legislative Work Group 'Year in Review'

2024 marked an important year for carbon management efforts at a federal level as the administration worked with diverse stakeholders to implement landmark laws like the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law, the Inflation Reduction Act, and the CHIPS and Science Act. While this was not a year for significant legislative progress, together, this group made important inroads on our shared legislative priorities. [In the linked document](#), and attached, you will find a snapshot of the good work this group did in 2023. We look forward to continuing this momentum as the 119th Congress gets into full swing.

Given the mountain of work that awaits the 119th Congress and the many legislative tasks at hand, the legislative work group will continue to meet biweekly in 2025, with any pressing issues shared via email and through the Coalition's weekly member newsletter and monthly Legislative Update.

As we look toward the remainder of 2025, we have a daunting task ahead, but we look forward to tackling it with each of you.

Best,
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