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CCAP President Ned Helme Says Moving Senate Climate Bill Out of Committee Helps to Reach Global Agreement

Washington, D.C. — Center for Clean Air Policy (CCAP) President Ned Helme released the following statement in response to the Senate Environment and Public Works Committee moving the Clean Energy Jobs and American Power Act (CEJAPA) out of committee:

"Moving the Clean Energy Jobs and American Power Act out of the Senate Environment and Public Works Committee will advance legislation in the Senate to address climate change, grow our economy and create green jobs. It provides the heart of a bill to which Sen. Reid can add the work of other key Senate committees and it takes us one step closer to final passage.

"No piece of legislation is ever perfect, and this one is no exception. We look forward to working to ensure the bill that comes to the Senate floor maintains strong emissions reductions goals and adequate international financing, while improving protections for our trade sensitive industries. It should also ensure strong incentives for developing countries to accelerate their actions and encourage international standards for monitoring, reporting and verifying the actions of all nations in a new global agreement.

"We urge the Senate to proceed with all possible speed. U.S. leadership is a critical piece of the puzzle needed to reach a global climate change agreement with meaningful participation from all nations."

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