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Release of Draft Legislation By Sens. Kerry and Lieberman an Important Step, USCAP Says

Washington, D.C. (May 12, 2010) – *The following is a statement from the U.S. Climate Action Partnership regarding legislation released today by Senators John Kerry (D-MA) and Joseph Lieberman (I-CT):*

The U.S. Climate Action Partnership commends Senators Kerry and Lieberman for their efforts to help secure action by Congress on energy and climate legislation. We believe that comprehensive action is needed to preserve and create American jobs, enhance our energy security and put the U.S. and the world on a path to lower greenhouse gas emissions.

USCAP also recognizes and commends the efforts of Senator Lindsey Graham, who has worked tirelessly on this issue.

USCAP supports the efforts of Senators Kerry and Lieberman as they work to find broad common ground on common-sense solutions. We continue to work with the Administration, Congress, and other stakeholders to develop economically sustainable, environmentally effective, and fair energy and climate legislation.

This proposal sets the stage for the additional action required in the Senate to preserve and create American jobs, enhance our energy security and reduce emissions. Different stakeholders with disparate interests must now come together and work on a bipartisan basis toward a common goal of building a clean-energy economy so that the United States can compete in the 21st century.

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