November 4, 2026

Re: The Texas Energy Buyers Alliance Supports Passage of the Bipartisan American Affordability and Jobs Act

Dear Texas Congressional Delegation Members:

On behalf of more than 200 Texas employers, the Texas Energy Buyers Alliance (TEBA) writes in strong support of the *Bipartisan American Affordability and Jobs Act of 2026* (BAAJA) and urges the Texas congressional delegation to support its passage. TEBA represents many of Texas's largest employers and energy consumers, employing hundreds of thousands of Texans and collectively representing more than $36 trillion in market capitalization. Our members depend on a reliable, affordable electricity system to power their operations and sustain investment across the state.

As a global hub for industrial growth, Texas is attracting new businesses and incentivizing employers to expand their operations. As a result, the state is experiencing unprecedented electricity demand. Meeting that demand without compromising reliability requires a permitting framework that allows critical generation and transmission infrastructure to be built in a timely, predictable, and cost-effective way. Unnecessary delays raise costs, create uncertainty for investors, and slow the delivery of new supply. Enacting the commonsense energy permitting reform provisions in BAAJA presents a generational opportunity to strengthen the Texas grid, put downward pressure on rising electricity prices, and ultimately ensure the state maintains its economic competitiveness.

By improving the federal permitting process and providing greater certainty for infrastructure development, BAAJA would help accelerate investment in new electricity generation and transmission while maintaining environmental protections. More predictable timelines and durable permitting decisions will help critical energy infrastructure projects move forward and bring needed grid capacity online more efficiently.

The legislation's technology-neutral approach is particularly important for Texas, which relies on a diverse mix of resources. This summer, the state experienced record-setting power demand, but the grid maintained reliability, supported in part by strong solar and

battery performance. TEBA's members are committed to clean energy, and these resources need to compete on a level playing field with respect to reviews, consultation, approval, and access to data. BAAJA would ensure the fastest, lowest-cost resources are not held back by policies that single them out; it will also improve long-term investment certainty by establishing technology-neutral protections that outlast changes in administrations. Policy certainty is critical for our state's economic future.

Texas has continuously leveraged its abundant energy resources to maintain its status as a global energy leader and an economic powerhouse. But any economic machine requires energy to fuel it and a strong grid to support it.

We commend the bipartisan effort behind this legislation and urge the Texas congressional delegation to support its enactment. TEBA and its members look forward to working with you to ensure Texas remains a great place for business.

Sincerely,



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