



Briefing Notice

Understanding Load Growth and Energy Affordability: Policy and Market Trends from the 2026 Sustainable Energy in America Factbook

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The **Environmental and Energy Study Institute (EESI)** and the **Business Council for Sustainable Energy (BCSE)** invite you to a briefing on commonsense technologies and solutions to keep energy costs low and meet rising demand. The rapid growth in energy demand from data centers has raised energy affordability conversations in households across the country. And on Capitol Hill, energy affordability might be the major theme of energy policy discussions. This panel will cover a broad portfolio of commercially-available technologies and resources—from energy efficiency to renewable energy to natural gas—that are essential to understand in order to ensure that the U.S. energy system can continue to grow and promote domestic prosperity, encourage innovation, and provide opportunities for economic development.

The briefing will share new findings from the 2026 edition of the *[Sustainable Energy in America Factbook](#)*. The Factbook provides valuable year-over-year data and insights on the U.S. energy transformation. It examines trends in data centers and artificial intelligence along with the ways in which permitting and siting as well as federal appropriations impact the deployment of modern energy solutions. The report also features an in-depth look at key topics including demand-side energy resources, renewable energy, natural gas, energy storage, and sustainable transportation.

Speakers for this session include:

- ▶ **Lisa Jacobson**, President, Business Council for Sustainable Energy
- ▶ **More speakers to be announced**

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