



# Briefing Notice

## The Growing Role of Renewable Energy in the U.S. Energy Mix

Friday, November 15, 2019

2:00 PM – 3:30 PM

Room 2167, Rayburn House Office Building

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The **Environmental and Energy Study Institute (EESI)** and the **Clean Energy and Technology Staff Association (CETSA)** invite you to a briefing on the state of play for renewable energy and energy storage technology in the United States. Renewable energy technologies now account for a substantial portion of the U.S. energy portfolio. According to the U.S. Energy Information Administration, renewable energy generated 17 percent of total energy in 2018, and projections indicate this percentage will continue to grow.

This briefing will provide an overview of innovations in renewable energy and energy storage, not only in solar and wind power, but also in geothermal power, hydropower, and sustainable biomass. Briefing panelists will share first-hand knowledge from federal agencies and industry to provide the most up-to-date information on the role of renewable energy in the country's energy mix. The briefing speakers are:

- **Bill Parsons**, Chief Operating Officer, American Council on Renewable Energy (ACORE) | @ACORE
- **Peter Thompson**, Project Assistant, Biomass Thermal Energy Council | @BiomassThermal
- **Will Pettitt**, Executive Director, Geothermal Resources Council (GRC) | @GRC2001
- **Jason Burwen**, Vice President, Policy, Energy Storage Association (ESA) | @storage\_ESA

Clean energy technologies have demonstrated vast potential in the American energy space and are leading to consumer savings, cleaner air and water, and more sustainable resource consumption. America's energy landscape is rapidly changing, raising highly important questions related to issues such as storage, natural resources, the expansion of renewable energy, and the development of carbon capture technologies. To successfully address these questions, it is more important than ever to foster a network of collaboration and information sharing. Better planning of America's energy usage will contribute to enhanced preservation of our public lands and environmental safety, protecting and improving the lives of Americans for years to come.

The briefing is co-hosted by the Clean Energy and Technology Staff Association (CETSA). CETSA, founded in 2018, is a bipartisan and bicameral staff association with 95 members. CETSA is dedicated to promoting the education and adoption of clean energy technologies, and aims to promote collaboration and networking amongst like-minded Congressional staffers committed to the expansion and adoption of clean energy technology within America's energy systems.

**This event is free and open to the public.**

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