

April 21, 2021

President Joseph R. Biden, Jr.  
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW  
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear President Biden:

I write today on behalf of the Clean Hydrogen Future Coalition (CHFC) with encouragement of your Administration's recognition in the American Jobs Plan for decarbonized hydrogen as a tool to deliver jobs and opportunities for American workers, spur the development of new clean energy markets and improve the overall health of our planet.

The CHFC represents a diverse group of stakeholders who support clean hydrogen as a critical pathway to global decarbonization and increased U.S. economic competitiveness. Our membership – which includes leading experts in clean hydrogen production from a variety of energy resources, as well as the storage, transport, and use of clean hydrogen – believes that it has the potential to significantly accelerate decarbonization of our economy. We also share your view that investing in the energy transition will create a new set of skilled, high-paying jobs.

This Administration has a very unique opportunity to advance a robust and comprehensive suite of policies for hydrogen production, distribution and use. The U.S. can be a leader in the development of clean hydrogen policy from its inception and, with the appropriate policies in place, can demonstrate that the U.S. is a global leader in the energy transition.

The CHFC is pleased to see that the American Jobs Plan includes meaningful support for research, development, and deployment (RD&D) for clean hydrogen, as well as a proposal to invest in 15 decarbonized hydrogen demonstration projects paired with a new production tax credit to bolster those projects. While each of these proposals will catalyze clean hydrogen projects and infrastructure, the CHFC is looking to do more.

Our coalition is identifying the gaps where policy tools are needed to incentivize the full ecosystem of clean hydrogen infrastructure. In addition to tax incentives and increased RD&D funding as proposed in the American Jobs Plan, the CHFC has identified federal grants, in partnership with the private sector, as a key instrument for stimulating investment in hydrogen infrastructure. The CHFC is proposing federal grant funding for development and demonstration of clean hydrogen production, pipeline infrastructure and other modes of delivery, and use throughout the industrial, power and transportation sectors.

As legislative details for the American Jobs Plan are developed, the coalition looks forward to working collaboratively with your Administration in the design of a comprehensive suite of policies needed for hydrogen to be a critical element of the clean energy transition.

We appreciate your Administration's support of clean hydrogen in the American Jobs Plan and look forward to working together to ensure that it can deliver on the substantial promise it offers as a decarbonization and jobs-creating resource.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Shannon Angielski".

Shannon Angielski  
President, Clean Hydrogen Future Coalition