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## ACORE Applauds SPEED Act Markup in House Natural Resources Committee

WASHINGTON, D.C. — The American Council on Renewable Energy (ACORE) issued the following statement from ACORE President and CEO Ray Long following the House Committee on Natural Resources markup of the Standardizing Permitting and Expediting Economic Development (SPEED) Act:

"ACORE applauds Chairman Bruce Westerman, Congressman Jared Goldman, and the House Natural Resources Committee for advancing the SPEED Act this afternoon. Durable, bipartisan permitting reforms that provide project certainty and speed up energy infrastructure build-out will help to keep the lights on and reduce electricity costs. With less than four years to add the equivalent of 15 New York Cities' worth of electricity to the grid, it is critical that energy infrastructure projects can move forward quickly. As a compromise is worked through, project-neutral permitting, removing roadblocks to fully permitted projects, and fully funding and staffing permitting agencies will go a long way to addressing our affordability and reliability challenges and improving America's competitiveness."

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## ABOUT ACORE

For over 20 years, the American Council on Renewable Energy (ACORE) has been the nation's leading voice on the issues most essential to clean energy expansion. ACORE unites finance, policy, and technology to accelerate the transition to a clean energy economy. For more information, please visit http://www.acore.org.