



Section 7: A Call to Action

Nearly three decades ago, in the midst of a previous energy crisis, President Jimmy Carter recognized the grave threat that the nation faced as a result of our inability to meet our own energy needs. President Carter said:

“Energy will be the immediate test of our ability to unite this nation and the standard of which we rally. On the battlefield of energy we can win for our nation and seize control again of our common destiny.”

Thirty years later we are still in the midst of an energy battle. This time, however, we are better equipped to “seize control of our common destiny.” We have a bold vision for a new energy future that is long-term and achievable – a future where 25 percent of our energy will come from renewable sources. We have the public will – Americans are uniting and rallying for change. We have new and rapidly evolving energy solutions. We have leadership from the agricultural and forestry sectors that can provide energy solutions from the land. And lastly, we have a moral imperative to future generations to provide a safe, secure, productive and healthy future.

A bold vision requires bold leadership. The 25x’25 Implementation Plan is a call to action. The 25x’25 Alliance:

- Calls on policy makers to establish and fund the policies and programs necessary to meet the 25x’25 goal.
- Calls on all Americans to make improvements in energy efficiency and the expansion of renewable energy a top national priority.
- Calls on each of us to expand and accelerate our advocacy efforts in support of a new energy future using the 25x’25 vision as our goal.

The time is now.

We invite you to join us in forging a new energy future for America.