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## American Clean Power-California statement on California joining White House's Offshore Wind Implementation Partnership with 12 other states

Announcement coincides with U.S. Department of Energy actions to fund R&D projects and transmission planning to support California's goal of 25 GW of offshore wind by 2045

SACRAMENTO — American Clean Power-California (ACP-CA) released the statement below on behalf of **ACP-CA California Director Alex Jackson** after the White House and Governor Gavin Newsom announced <u>California is joining the Federal-State Offshore Wind Implementation Partnership</u>, an effort begun last year by President Biden and East Coast governors to maximize the benefits of offshore wind development for workers and communities on the Atlantic coast. Today, California became the first Pacific coast state to join the Partnership, which has grown to 13 states.

To further the goals of the Partnership, the U.S. Department of Energy also announced today a series of actions to accelerate U.S. floating offshore wind deployment, including the launch of a new <u>West Coast Offshore Wind Transmission Study</u>, a 20-month analysis examining how the country can expand transmission to harness power from floating offshore wind for West Coast communities.

In 2022, the Biden Administration announced a federal initiative, the <u>Floating Offshore Wind Shot</u>, that aims to deploy up to 15 GW of floating offshore wind by 2035 and lower the cost of this untapped source of renewable energy by 70%. California has set a state goal of deploying 25 GW of offshore wind by 2045.

"For clean power providers, it is heartening to see California become the first West Coast state to join this new national partnership to jumpstart the offshore wind industry—and we are committed to working to ensure this massive, untapped source of renewable energy creates economic benefits for workers and communities across the country."

"There is still a lot of work to do to stand up this first-of-its-kind industry on the West Coast—from investing in our ports, workforce, and transmission systems to updating our state's procurement processes. To get there we will need leadership and collaboration from the federal and state governments. Today's announcement is a positive sign that the pieces are coming together to unlock the potential of floating offshore wind to provide the reliable, affordable, clean power Californians need."

## **About American Clean Power**

American Clean Power is the voice of the clean power industry that is powering America's future, providing cost-effective solutions to the climate crisis while creating jobs, spurring massive investment in the U.S. economy and driving high-tech innovation across the nation. We are uniting the power of America's renewable energy industry to advance our shared goals and to transform the U.S. power grid

to a low-cost, reliable and renewable power system. ACP-California is a state project of the national trade association.

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