



# American Clean Energy Now.

# Real Talk on Capitol Hill A National Conversation on Clean Energy and Climate.

As the U.S. Senate ramps up for a historic vote on clean energy and climate bill, Clean Energy Works has convened this Town Hall forum with real Americans from across the country to highlight the urgency of action and demonstrate the broad support for legislation.

The conversation is driven by U.S. Senators and other high-level constituents who will answer questions from real Americans who are traveling to DC to encourage the Senate to enact clean energy and climate legislation this year.

This event is moderated by Frank Sesno, a former CNN White House correspondent, anchor and DC bureau chief. Sesno is currently the Director of the School of Public Media and Public Affairs at George Washington University. He is also the host and creator of Planet Forward, a groundbreaking web-to-television show seen on PBS.

## Program Introduction

### Clean Energy Voices

Lee Geisse, Greaser, Ohio  
George Vandell, Assistant Director, SO Dep. of Game, Fish, and Parks (retired), Chief Biologist, South Dakota  
Robert Schmidt, Principal, Joule (Energy), Louisiana

### Enhancing National Security

*Why passing comprehensive clean energy and climate legislation will help enhance America's security*

Senator John F. Kerry (D-MA)  
Lt. General Norman Seip (retired)  
Jonathan Gensler, Iraq War Veteran and Fellow, Truman National Security Project

### Increasing Oil Independence

*Why passing comprehensive clean energy and climate legislation will help reduce America's dependence on oil and prevent oil disasters like the Deepwater Horizon spill in the Gulf from happening again*

Senator Jeff Merkley (D-OR)  
Helda Rodriguez, President and Co-Founder, NovaChange LLC

### Creating Jobs and Strengthening the Economy

*Why passing comprehensive clean energy and climate legislation will strengthen the economy, create jobs, and help drive innovation*

Rich Wells, Global VP Government Affairs & Public Policy, Dow Chemical Company  
Celia Canfield, Clean Energy Project Director, Small Business Majority  
Trevor Houser, Economist, Peterson Institute

### Conclusion

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