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LEI presenting at the 30th USAEE/IAEE North American Conference

BOSTON, September 16, 2011 - Julia Frayer, Managing Director of London Economics International LLC ("LEI") confirms today that she will be speaking at the 30th USAEE/IAEE North American Conference in Washington, DC on October 10, 2011 (<http://www.usaee.org/usaee2011/>). The conference agenda is titled "Changing Roles of Industry, Government and Research." In her presentation, Ms. Frayer will discuss the effectiveness of current US clean energy technology research and development ("R&D") policies, based on her expertise and the firm's experience advising on renewable energy policy development, nuclear strategy, and first-hand industry-level experience with deployment of new technologies in the sector.

Julia is planning to kick off the presentation with a review of how the US government (federal and state) has supported R&D in the clean energy technology sector, including the areas of basic research, development, and commercial deployment. Julia will also consider the economic impetus for R&D support and the consideration of the "public goods" problem, which most economists associate with clean energy technology. In order to consider how government support mechanisms materialize, Julia will discuss the national policy arguments for clean energy evolution and identify useful precedents from other industrial sectors that have benefited from government investment. Finally, a comparative review of government support for clean energy R&D across countries (US, China, and Europe) will be presented, in order to identify lessons learned for US policymakers. Ms. Frayer's presentation will be available on the conference website and on LEI's website in October 2011.

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