Dear President Biden,

Since 2007, Citizens’ Climate Lobby has been tirelessly organizing and mobilizing everyday Americans across the political spectrum to advocate for strong federal climate policy. Our 200,000+ supporters come from every district in America and are well known and appreciated in almost every congressional office.

With the U.S. on the brink of crucial and long-overdue climate progress, we write to urge you to present clear support for the strongest possible climate measures to be included in reconciliation. The projections for the combined complementary climate components are clear: together, they will achieve our goals and secure our future. Dismantled, they will fall short of the action needed. We applaud Congress’s ambition, and recognize the role you and your administration have played in shaping the conversation around these policies.

We are particularly excited to see corporate pollution fees getting serious consideration in the negotiations. A strong price on carbon pollution and methane pollution would allow us to decarbonize our economy well within the timeframe specified in your updated Paris Agreement target when combined with the full package of climate initiatives in the drafted legislation.

Your Build Back Better vision of a prosperous and equitable future powered by a green economy resonates with voters across ideological, geographical, and demographic spectrums. As of June 2020 a large majority — 65% — of Americans supported greater federal climate action, including 73% supporting a corporate tax on carbon emissions. In the months since your term began, a sustained force of tens of thousands of volunteers has shown up to reaffirm their desire for ambitious climate action. And with COP26 approaching, the eyes of the world are watching to see whether America will pass or fail this critical test.
Our organization and the climate movement have spent decades working in service of our shared climate goals, advising, advocating, and motivating the grassroots. **We’re asking you in this pivotal moment to hold firm in pushing Congress to realize your commitment to 50% emissions reduction by 2030, by including a price on carbon in the budget.**

**Together we can Build Back Better and make a secure, equitable, and carbon-free future.**

Sincerely,

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