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## Recognizing the Contributions of the Joint Office of Energy and Transportation

(Seattle, WA) As the U.S. Department of Energy continues to reorganize key programs for electric transportation and clean energy, the Alliance for Transportation Electrification (ATE) offers our sincere appreciation for the Joint Office of Energy and Transportation (Joint Office) and the leadership and collaborative spirit that defined its tenure.

ATE and our members greatly valued our relationship with the Joint Office and the opportunity to work alongside a team so deeply committed to accelerating the future of electrified transportation. The Joint Office served as a model of effective interagency collaboration—bridging the U.S. Department of Energy and the U.S. Department of Transportation to pursue a shared vision of sustainable, equitable mobility for all.

Through their efforts, the nation witnessed historic levels of investment in electric vehicle infrastructure and clean transportation initiatives which included not just federal funding, but also needed state resources, as well as private sector and utility investments. These achievements not only helped lay the foundation for a decarbonized transportation system but also advanced meaningful progress toward energy resilience and reliability.

We were proud to work alongside the Joint Office and its dedicated team of more than 50 public servants who brought urgency, clarity, and conviction to a mission that matters. Their efforts helped accelerate infrastructure deployment, empower local and state action, and break down silos in ways that made real progress possible. The Joint Office wasn't just helpful—it was catalytic.

As we recognize all that was accomplished, we must also acknowledge the premature and unnecessary loss of this valuable capacity. These and other reductions in force are a setback for the coordinated approach that this work demands. ATE and our members remain hopeful that the Joint Office's most impactful contributions can be preserved and carried forward by the Vehicle Technologies Office and other divisions.

Electrifying the transportation sector is one of the most ambitious undertakings of our time. It requires clear direction, unified leadership, and consistent support. We cannot win the future by retreating to old ideas and ways of working.

As this chapter closes, we are inspired by the legacy they leave behind—and we remain dedicated to carrying that momentum forward as we continue to build a cleaner, smarter, and more connected transportation future.

### ABOUT ATE

The Alliance for Transportation Electrification (ATE) is the largest 501(c)(6) EV trade association representing over 60 member companies across North America dedicated to expanding safe, dependable, affordable, and accessible electric transportation technology.  
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