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## **NASEO, ENERGY FUTURES INITIATIVE TEAM UP TO PRODUCE THE 2018 U.S. ENERGY AND EMPLOYMENT REPORT**

Washington, D.C. (December 1, 2017): The National Association of State Energy Officials (NASEO) which represents the 56 governor-designated State and Territory energy officials, and the Energy Futures Initiative, Inc. (EFI), a not-for-profit organization dedicated to driving innovation in energy technology, policy and business models, today announced that they will jointly produce the 2018 U.S. Energy and Employment Report (USEER).

Supplementing existing data collected by the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS), The USEER offers exclusive information not previously available on employment trends by energy source. Past editions were published in 2016 and 2017 by the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE).

NASEO will produce the survey in partnership with EFI. The 2018 USEER project will be guided by David Foster, who directed the first two editions of the USEER and now serves as a Distinguished Associate with EFI. The data will be collected by BW Research Partnership, a research consultancy with offices in Carlsbad, California and Wrentham, Massachusetts. BW Research conducted the employer surveys for the first two editions produced by DOE.

"I'm very pleased that the U.S. Energy and Employment Report will be issued in 2018," said Foster. "Without the USEER, we couldn't tell how many people are employed by new technologies that cut across current BLS occupational codes, nor how many people are actually employed by our traditional utilities as their business models evolve."

David Terry, Executive Director of NASEO, said: "We are pleased to lead, with EFI's analytical support, the development of the 2018 report and ensure that state-level energy jobs data continue to be available to the public, our 56 State and Territory members, federal agencies, and private sector organizations. The USEER has proven to be an important tool for state energy officials, who will use this unique set of 'all of the above' energy jobs data to inform policy development and planning."

Data are being collected by BW Research during the crucial autumn employment season, mirroring the methodology of the first two reports, ensuring that policymakers and businesses can make year-to-year analysis of employment trends. EFI will issue the report in the spring of 2018, and plans an expanded offering of data in the years ahead.

"We're grateful to NASEO and a number of other organizations, foundations and future donors who will help us keep the USEER in production for many years to come," said Foster.



**About the Energy Futures Initiative:**

The Energy Futures Initiative was established by former Energy Secretary Ernest J. Moniz to provide policymakers, industry executives, NGOs, and other leaders options on how to advance a cleaner, safer, more affordable, and secure energy future.

Find out more at [www.energyfuturesinitiative.org](http://www.energyfuturesinitiative.org).

**About the National Association of State Energy Officials:**

NASEO is the only national non-profit organization of governor-designated energy officials from each of the 50 states, the District of Columbia, and five territories. Formed by the states in 1986, NASEO facilitates peer learning among state energy officials, serves as a resource for and about state energy policies and programs, and advocates the interests of the states to Congress and federal agencies.

Find out more at [www.naseo.org](http://www.naseo.org).

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