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With COVID Stimulus Done, It's Time to Focus on Infrastructure

Washington, DC – The American Council of Engineering Companies – the business voice of America's engineering and design industry - released the following statement on the American Rescue Plan:

“The American Rescue Plan contains much needed direct relief for American families struggling from the economic effects of this pandemic. The bill also contains important extensions of employee retention and payroll tax credits that were included in previous COVID response bills. For our industry, the bill provides essential support for transit, airports, and \$10 billion for a new Critical Infrastructure Projects program to help states carry out capital projects enabling remote work, education and health monitoring efforts.

Now that the first part of the President's recovery agenda is complete, America's engineering firms urge Congress and the Administration to fast track an economic recovery package centered on a transformative infrastructure bill. 1 in 33 jobs is tied to the engineering and design industry. Every job created in our sector creates 2 new jobs for Americans looking for work. Investing in the built environment will pave the way for economic recovery and job growth.”

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The American Council of Engineering Companies (ACEC) is the business association of the nation's engineering industry. Founded in 1906, ACEC is a national federation of 52 state and regional organizations representing more than 5,000 engineering firms and 560,000+ engineers, surveyors, architects, and other specialists nationwide. ACEC member firms drive the design of America's infrastructure and built environment.