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## ACEC Statement on President Biden Signing Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act Into Law

WASHINGTON, D.C. – After President Biden signed the bipartisan Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act into law, American Council of Engineering Companies (ACEC) President and CEO Linda Bauer Darr released the following statement:

"Today, the real work begins.

"Now that President Biden has signed the bipartisan Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act into law – a bill nearly two-thirds of Americans support – America's engineers begin the essential work of implementing these next-generation upgrades.

"Americans have waited long enough for safe drinking water, secure and efficient energy sources, and reliable bridges and roads that are resilient against today's cyber, extreme weather, and climate challenges.

"Engineers are no strangers to hard work. Together, we will tackle these long-standing challenges."

## \*Download audio of Linda Bauer Darr's remarks here.\*

A recent ACEC economic analysis estimates the bipartisan agreement would create more than 82,000 full and part-time jobs in engineering and design services, generate \$62 billion in architecture and engineering (A/E) industry wages, and add \$75 billion to GDP. Overall, the proposal would lead to a 6% average annual increase in engineering and design services sector activity over the next six years, pushing annual output from \$352 billion in 2021 to \$416 billion by 2026.

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The <u>American Council of Engineering Companies</u> (ACEC) is the business association of the nation's engineering industry. Founded in 1909, ACEC is a national federation of 52 state and regional organizations representing more than 5,500 engineering firms and 600,000+ engineers, surveyors, architects, and other specialists nationwide. ACEC member firms drive the design of America's infrastructure and built environment.