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AMS Statement on France Suspending Fuel Tax Increase

Washington, D.C. – The Alliance for Market Solutions (AMS) issued the following statement in response to France suspending its recent fuel tax increase:

“Fueled by sluggish economic growth and high unemployment—not the fuel tax alone—the protests in France force us to consider several significant challenges as we address climate change.

“First, it foreshadows higher global emissions of greenhouse gases as the result of countries around the world prioritizing their economies over addressing climate change.

“Second, we must ensure our economy stays strong. If we hamper economic growth with regulations that impose greater costs on the economy, we risk creating a sluggish economy and its consequences like France.

“And last but not least, we have to worry about the economic consequences of climate change-induced costs that will severely impact our fiscal future and reduce our ability to respond to them.

“The solution is a revenue-neutral carbon tax. It will not only achieve the necessary reductions in carbon pollution, it will do so at a fraction of the cost of regulations, while reinvesting the revenue to grow the economy.”

The Alliance for Market Solutions (AMS) aims to create a conversation among conservatives on the benefits of market-oriented solutions to one of America’s pressing economic challenges: advancing clean energy and reducing carbon pollution. AMS believes in the need for pro-growth solutions for our economy, replacing harmful government regulations, and responding to changing public attitudes and demographics.

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Alliance for Market Solutions (AMS) is an organization of conservative leaders with experience in business, government, and the intellectual community who know that markets and economic

incentives are the most powerful drivers of change and are more efficient and effective than top-down regulation. We aim to educate conservative policymakers on the benefits of market-oriented solutions to one of America's most pressing economic challenges: advancing clean energy and reducing carbon pollution.

The carbon tax policy we support is consistent with a pro-growth conservative agenda. It would replace costly regulations and prevent new regulations from burdening families and job creators. And it would eliminate economically harmful taxes on investment and family incomes.

AMS is a 501(c)(3) non-profit educational organization. We don't engage in electoral politics on behalf of any candidate, campaign or party. We are recruiting allies and developing policy analyses to help conservative policymakers consider a pro-growth, conservative carbon tax policy.