Regarding the recent meeting between the VBF Power & Energy Working Group and EREA/ERAV on 16th April regarding the Draft of PM’s new Decision on a mechanism for the encouragement of the development of solar power projects in Vietnam.

Given that the EREA is working on a new version of the Draft for re-submission to the Prime Minister and the Office of Government before 15 Sep 2019, VBF Power & Energy WG in coordination with Investment & Trade WG would like to send a letter to the government reflecting their recommendations as follows:

- To maintain the extension of the duration of the 2nd FiT (Feed-in-Tariff) program for at least 2.5 years from 1 July 2019 until 31 December 2021 (or extended to 2022 in case there is a further delay in the finalization and signing of this proposed Decision).

- To maintain the higher FiT rate of 8.21 US cents per kWh for solar power projects with integrated storage system in Zone 4, under the Draft Decision.
National Load Despatch Center Annual Reports 2017 and 2018 available

These are the best publicly available analysis of the state of the power market in English and Vietnamese language.

Please refer to the NLDC Report via the link below:

NLDC Annual Report 2017
NLDC Annual Report 2018

Made in Vietnam Energy Plan 2.0

Within the framework of the Sustainable Energy Engagement Project, VBF Power & Energy Working Group has developed the report Made in Vietnam Energy Plan 2.0 (MVEP 2.0), which is based on the ground-breaking 2016 edition of the MVEP 1.0. The report is expected to become a useful reference for Vietnam's energy sector as well as for electricity and energy planning policies in the coming time.

Please refer to the MVEP Plan 2.0 via this link:

The MVEP Plan 2.0 (English)
The MVEP Plan 2.0 (Vietnamese)

Breakfast Talk Event
"Toward zero carbon building"

The event attracted many businesses in such industry to attend and discuss relevant ideas. Contributing to the success of the event also came from speakers from leading companies in construction - energy such as Artelia Vietnam, CBRE, Dragon Capital, Adenenergy, etc.. They had impressive sharing in terms of zero-carbon building and energy efficiency.
As the theme of this event focused on the Global trend “Advancing Net Zero carbon”, the panel discussion was followed by 4 key principles in Zero carbon trend:

- Measure and disclose carbon
- Reduce energy demand
- Generate balance from renewables
- Improve verification and rigor
In the coming time, 3 working groups will focus on strategic activities to disseminate the core values of GGSC on the topic of renewable energy, sustainable cities and circular economy. Here is a summary of upcoming events of 3 working groups:

   - Direct consultation with MoIT/MPI and MoF to discuss the Made in Vietnam Energy Plan 2020 – the 2nd edition of the VBF Power and Energy Group’s vision of RE, EE and Gas as a solution to Vietnam’s energy crisis.
   - Launch the Attitudes to Electricity Survey in Sept all Chambers’ members will update the 2015 survey on price-sensitivity, green energy appetite, fears about power cuts and best solutions for EE.
   - On site power solutions further engagement with MOIT to allow power consumers to find their solutions to Access Clean Energy – “Behind the Meter Plants”, Solar with Storage and Rooftop Solar up to 3MW
2. Sustainable Cities Working Group

❖ Second Breakfast Talk on Zero Carbon Building in Hanoi planned in Nov

❖ Sustainable Cities Major Event in Hanoi (similar with the one done in HCMC in May 2019 with a Circular Economy component) planned in Q1 – 2020 (with sponsors called)

❖ Third & Fourth Breakfast Talk on Health & Well-being in Building in HCMC and Hanoi planned in Q3&Q4 2020

3. Circular Economy Working Group

❖ On November 2019, key member BASF partners with HCMC Department of Education & Training to host the 9th annual BASF Kids’ Lab to help primary children to understand waste management through hands-on chemistry experiments.

❖ In 2020, key member BASF and partners will focus on the following framework activities under the theme of Education, Clean up, Innovation and Infrastructure.

Company Members

5.1. BASF

In celebration of its 25 years in Vietnam, BASF is launching an initiative with social enterprise Think Playgrounds donating four public playgrounds to the children and local community. The initiative will provide over 12,000 children with a more appealing and safe learning environment. The four high-quality playground facilities in Yen Bai, Dong Anh (Hanoi), Nha Be and Go Vap (HCMC) are designed to promote a sense of exploration, inspire creativity and develop different skills among the kids.

The four playgrounds are built with child-friendly materials including woods, ropes and some recyclable materials, such as old tires. The purpose is to provide the young generation an opportunity to have better interaction with nature, and to build a good habit of giving a second life to recyclable materials in daily life.
Regarding the concept of innovative supplier of building materials and solutions, CONWOOD by INSEE upholds its obligation to develop, produce and introduce a complete range of modern and high-quality wood replacement construction materials. By conducting this project, INSEE believes
that sustainable building material solutions are not only environmentally friendly but also contribute to improving the quality of life of the community while maintaining harmony with nature.

WELCOME OUR NEW MEMBER:

Unilever has always been a company with goals from the very beginning. Now their goals are simple but clear - to make sustainable development popular. The Unilever Sustainable Development Plan (USLP) is a bold ambition to achieve change in the company. Launched in 2010, this plan is creating sustainable growth through purpose-driven brands, cutting down on business costs, reducing risks and helping them build trust.

Unilever Sustainable Development Plan

Unilever's sustainable development plan is designed to separate their business growth from the environmental impact, while increasing their positive social impact. The plan has three major goals to achieve, based on nine commitments and goals throughout their social, environmental and economic performance throughout the value chain. They will continue to work with other parties to focus on those areas where they can drive the biggest changes and meet the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).