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***CLYBURN ON COMMISSION TO ENGAGE AFRICAN AMERICANS  
ON CLIMATE CHANGE***

WASHINGTON, D.C.—House Majority Whip James E. Clyburn today released the following statement on the establishment of the Commission to Engage African Americans on Climate Change.

“America’s energy policy can either be reactive and arcane, or it can be proactive and visionary. Everyday in Congress we are fighting for policies that will end our dependence on foreign oil, enhance our national security, protect our environment, create new economies, and provide better options to those who suffer disproportionately from rising energy costs. The debate over climate change policy will impact all of these goals and it is critical that our community be an active part of this debate. I am honored to participate in the launch of the Commission to Engage African Americans on Climate Change and commend the leaders of the Commission for having the vision to bring this diverse group of experts together to broaden the reach of the African American community. I look forward to working with the Commission as Congress continues to tackle critical energy and climate change issues.”