



Wood pellets are a carbon-neutral, cost stable and renewable fuel used in millions of American households today for space heating and cooking.

How can I help?

Generally

- Support federal regulatory language affirming biomass as a carbon-neutral, renewable energy source
- Protect consumers' right to heat their homes using wood and wood pellet appliances that comply with emissions limits outlined in federal regulations
- Maintain and expand tax-credits for qualifying wood heat appliances

Specifically:

Farm Bill

- Include provisions in 2023 Farm Bill reauthorization that bind federal agencies and departments to recognize biomass carbon neutrality in any federal environmental or energy rulemaking
- Support the ongoing inclusion of the [Advanced Biofuels Payment Program](#) in the Farm Bill
- Support the continuation of the [Community Wood Energy Grants](#) in the Farm Bill
- Support the continuation of the [Wood Innovations Grants](#) in the Farm Bill

Renewable Energy Tax Credits

- Raise the cap on biomass appliance installations included in the Residential Clean Energy Property Credit to \$8,000 to incentivize the installation of whole home wood pellet boiler systems
- Expand the Clean Energy Property Credit to commercial installations

Renewable Fuels Standard

- Direct the EPA to authorize a pathway within the Renewable Fuel Standard for wood pellet producers to generate Renewable Identification Numbers



Wood Pellet Manufacturing in Virginia

The wood pellet manufacturers of Virginia are proud to be an integral part of the state's impressive and vital forest products sector that employs over **108,000** Virginians and generates over **\$21 billion** in direct economic output for the state.

This robust forest products sector creates incredible value for Virginia's **16 million** acres of forestland.

source: Virginia Dept. of Forestry

Operating Wood Pellet Facilities –

Heating and BBQ

- American Wood Fibers-Marion
- Lignetics of Virginia Inc., Kenbridge
- O'Malley Wood Pellets, Tappahannock
- Turman Hardwood Pellets, Galax
- Easy Pellet Products, Waverly

Total Heating/BBQ Production Capacity **273,900***

Industrial

- Enviva Southampton, Franklin

Total Industrial Capacity **760,000**

* enough wood pellets to heat 68,475 homes

Total Wood Residuals Purchased 1.4 million tons

Value of Residual Purchases **\$56.8 million**
(\$39.26/ton)

Wholesale value of pellets **\$217.1 million**

Sources: U.S. Energy Information Administration,
Biomass Magazine, analysis by Pellet Fuels Institute