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Hannon Armstrong Managing Director Susan Nickey Elected to American Wind Energy Association (AWEA) Board

ANNAPOLIS, Md., May 22, 2017 /PRNewswire/ -- Hannon Armstrong Sustainable Infrastructure Capital, Inc. ("Hannon Armstrong," or the "Company") (NYSE: HASI), a leading investor in sustainable infrastructure, including energy efficiency and renewable energy, announced today that Managing Director Susan Nickey has been elected to the board of directors of the American Wind Energy Association (AWEA), the premier national trade association that represents the interests of America's wind energy industry - the country's fastest growing energy sector.



Ms. Nickey has been instrumental in Hannon Armstrong's minority investments totaling approximately \$400 million in a diversified portfolio of wind projects with total capacity of over 2,500 megawatts. "I am thrilled to join the AWEA board and look forward to the opportunity to support the continued growth of the wind sector in the U.S.," said Ms. Nickey. "This is an exciting time for the industry, as creative financing solutions and continued technological innovation enables wind power to become more profitable, competitive, affordable and mainstream."

"Big brand names are stampeding to buy wind to supply their stores and factories," said Tom Kiernan, CEO of AWEA. "With a stable national policy in place, and critical power line infrastructure on the way, we're delivering on our promises to keep cutting costs. Wind is on track to supply 10 percent of U.S. electricity by the end of the decade."

Earlier this year, Ms. Nickey was named to the first *Women's Power List*, published by wind industry intelligence service, A Word About Wind. The report aims to promote and celebrate the contribution of the female deal-makers and power-brokers shaping the wind industry's development and the accolade recognizes Ms. Nickey's achievements in this regard.

With over 25 years of executive leadership experience in the energy and finance sectors, Ms. Nickey previously founded and served as CEO of Threshold Power, a company focused on acquiring participations in existing wind projects, and served as the CFO at ACCIONA Energy North America and as a Managing Director of Investment Banking in the Project Finance Group of Mesrow Financial. Ms. Nickey previously served on the Governor of Nevada's Renewable Energy Development Program Task Force and was named one of Women's eNews' 21 Leaders for the 21st Century for her leadership in sustainable development. She currently serves on the Board of Directors for the American Council on Renewable Energy (ACORE), national non-profit organization dedicated to advancing the renewable energy sector. Ms. Nickey holds a Bachelor in Business Administration from the University of Notre Dame and a Master of Science in Foreign Service from Georgetown University.

About Hannon Armstrong

Hannon Armstrong (NYSE: HASI) invests in the sustainable infrastructure markets, including energy efficiency and renewable energy. The Company focuses on providing preferred or senior level capital to established sponsors and high credit quality obligors for assets that generate long-term, recurring and predictable cash flows. The Company is based in Annapolis, MD.

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