AABE Renewables Principles

1. AABE supports renewables as part of an overall energy strategy for meeting energy and climate change challenges.

2. AABE believes that renewable programs must carefully balance the
   a. Availability of renewable technologies,
   b. Cost effectiveness of such technologies, and
   c. Environmental benefits.

3. AABE supports the renewable portfolio standards being adopted by the various states because such programs recognize such local issues as the availability of renewables, the importance of fuel diversity, the impact on and benefit to the African-American community and other consumers created from the use of renewables, and the importance of stimulating renewable energy technologies.

4. AABE supports the development of renewable technologies as an essential element for enhancing economic developments in parts of the nation.

5. AABE recognizes that extension of the federal production tax credit and the investment tax credit is helpful in accelerating the development of renewable technologies.

6. AABE supports research, education, and training for African-Americans to expedite the development of renewable energy solutions.

7. AABE is committed to working with regional and local communities in the administration and implementation of renewable programs.

8. AABE seeks to become a resource for the development of renewable programs in the international community.

9. AABE recognizes that some renewable technology exists in remote areas and may require the enhancement of infrastructure in order for those technologies to be available to meet growing energy demands.

10. AABE supports the development of a sustainable renewable fuels industry, including liquids and gaseous fuels, insofar as it provides entrepreneurial opportunities for minorities, supports economic growth for minority farmers, enhances energy security, and addresses the nation’s climate change objectives.
11. AABE supports renewable liquid and gaseous fuels as a means for the transportation industry to reduce carbon emissions.