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Vigilent Joins 300+ Global Businesses and Organizations Urging COP 31 to Put Energy Efficiency at the Heart of Its Action Agenda

AI cooling optimization leader highlights how data centers can cut energy use and free power for compute, as global coalition calls for accelerated investment and implementation.

OAKLAND, Calif., USA, 17 November 2026 – Vigilent has joined more than 300 businesses and organizations from 39 countries and territories calling on the COP 31 Presidency of Türkiye and Australia to put energy efficiency at the center of efforts to deliver on the conference's Action Agenda.

In a joint letter released at COP 31, the global coalition outlines five strategic principles demonstrating how proven energy efficiency technologies, financing, and demand-side solutions can strengthen energy security, improve affordability, reduce waste, support resilient infrastructure and create quality jobs.

The letter calls for energy efficiency to be integrated across COP 31 Action Agenda priorities, including waste reduction, electrification, and building energy intensity, and underscores the private sector's readiness to work with governments to accelerate investment and deployment.

"Energy efficiency is the fastest, lowest-cost energy resource the world has, and data centers are where it can make the biggest difference right now," said Dave Lynch, Co-CEO and Chief Business Officer, Vigilent. "Operators don't have to wait for new power plants or grid connections to start. AI-driven control matches cooling to actual IT load in real time, cutting energy use while protecting uptime and freeing power for compute. We're ready to help the COP31 Presidency turn its efficiency goals into results."

Vigilent in Action

Since 2008, Vigilent has applied AI and machine learning to optimize cooling in mission-critical facilities. Its platform, including Vigilent Synergy™ predictive control, continuously optimizes data hall and chiller plant cooling to improve thermal reliability, reduce energy consumption and unlock power capacity for additional IT workloads. Vigilent is deployed in more than 1,500 facilities across 37 countries.

In the U.S. and other countries around the world, where data centers face rising scrutiny over grid costs and new construction, getting more from existing facilities offers operators a near-term path to growth.

Five Principles for Accelerating Energy Efficiency

The letter outlines five strategic principles to guide public-private sector action:

1. **Energy security:** Strengthening energy security, economic competitiveness, and energy access through reduced energy needs and more efficient energy systems.

2. **Affordability and competitiveness:** Deploying proven technologies, equipment, and financing solutions to manage rising energy demand, lower costs and support economic growth.
3. **Reducing waste:** Cutting energy, water and economic losses across local economies and global supply chains.
4. **Resilient infrastructure, buildings and cities:** Investing in efficient infrastructure that improves reliability, reduces emissions and delivers health, safety, and productivity benefits.
5. **Jobs and a just transition:** Stimulating investment, creating quality local jobs and developing the skilled workforce needed to accelerate an inclusive energy transition.

Turning Global Commitments into Action

At COP 28, governments committed to doubling the global average annual rate of energy efficiency improvements by 2030. With progress still below the pace needed to achieve that goal, signatories are calling for accelerated investment, stronger public-private collaboration, and the deployment of solutions already available in the market.

The international initiative was convened by the Alliance to Save Energy, Association of Energy Engineers, Business Council for Sustainable Energy, Efficiency Canada and European Alliance to Save Energy. Signatories span a diverse range of businesses, industry associations, and supporting organizations across six continents.

Read the full Global Business Energy Efficiency Letter and view the complete list of signatories: https://www.aeecenter.org/cop-31-energy-efficiency-business-letter/

About Vigilent

Vigilent, headquartered in Oakland, California, is a global leader in applying AI and machine learning to optimize mission-critical facilities. Its AI-powered platform, including Vigilent Synergy™ predictive control and Vigilent Vision™ monitoring and analytics, continuously optimizes data hall and chiller plant cooling to improve thermal reliability, reduce energy consumption, and unlock power capacity for additional IT workloads. Founded in 2008, Vigilent is deployed in more than 1,500 facilities across 37 countries, serving some of the world's largest data center, telecommunications, enterprise, and government organizations. Learn more at www.vigilent.com.

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