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The Honorable Mike Lee Chairman Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources Washington, DC 20510 The Honorable Martin Heinrich Ranking Member Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources Washington, DC 20510

## Re: IECA Supports Nomination of Mr. Danly to be Deputy Secretary of Energy

Dear Chairman Lee and Ranking Member Heinrich:

On behalf of the Industrial Energy Consumers of America (IECA), we strongly support the nomination of Mr. James Danly to be Deputy Secretary of Energy. In our opinion, Mr. Danly will be the most qualified Deputy Secretary in history. His expertise is especially valuable as the U.S. faces declining natural gas and electricity reliability.

Mr. Danly is one of the most respected energy attorneys in the nation and brings decades of experience in every facet. His recent tenure at the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission provides a wealth of timely expertise that will be valuable in serving the country.

Sincerely,

Paul N. Cicio *Paul N. Cicio* President & CEO

cc: Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

The Industrial Energy Consumers of America is a nonpartisan association of leading manufacturing companies with \$1.3 trillion in annual sales, over 12,000 facilities nationwide, and with more than 1.9 million employees. One hundred percent of IECA members are manufacturing companies whose competitiveness is largely determined by the cost and reliability of natural gas and electricity. IECA's

sole mission is to reduce and avoid energy costs and increase energy reliability through advocacy in Congress and regulatory agencies, such as the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC). IECA membership represents a diverse set of industries including chemicals, plastics, steel, iron ore, aluminum, paper, food processing, fertilizer, insulation, glass, industrial gases, pharmaceutical, consumer goods, building products, automotive, independent oil refining, and cement.