

## AMERICAN PUBLIC GAS ASSOCIATION

September 18, 2017

Honorable Maria Cantwell Ranking Member Committee on Energy and Natural Resources U.S. Senate Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Ranking Member Cantwell:

On behalf of the American Public Gas Association (APGA), I express our strong support for the President's nominations of Mr. Kevin McIntyre and Mr. Richard Glick to serve as Commissioners on the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

APGA is the national association for publicly-owned natural gas distribution systems. There are approximately 1,000 public gas systems in 37 states and over 720 of these systems are APGA members. Publicly-owned gas systems are not-for-profit, retail distribution entities owned by, and accountable to, the citizens they serve. They include municipal gas distribution systems, public utility districts, county districts, and other public agencies that have natural gas distribution facilities.

Mr. McIntyre's experience in energy law and policy makes him an excellent candidate for the Commission. His work on issues ranging from energy transmission to energy markets provides him with a strong understanding of the variety of issues that the Commission has jurisdiction over. APGA also appreciates and supports his commitment to transparency in federal government processes.

Mr. Glick's expertise in energy policy also makes him an excellent candidate for the Commission. Mr. Glick's commitment to working to safeguard the public's interests and towards ensuring just and reasonable rates for consumers will greatly assist the Commission as it moves forward.

It is our sincere hope that these nominations will move quickly through the Senate.

Sincerely,

Bert Kalisch

President & CEO