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## **IECA Asks President Trump to Nominate Candidates to FERC**

The Industrial Energy Consumers of America (IECA) [urged](#) President Donald Trump today to nominate three candidates to fill the vacancies at the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) as soon as possible.

“We are especially concerned about sufficient natural gas pipeline capacity to supply manufacturing facilities going forward. This concern is especially heightened given the significant anticipated volume of LNG exports that will compete with manufacturing pipeline capacity demand,” said Paul N. Cicio, President of the IECA.

With the announced resignation of Norman Bay, beginning on February 3, there will only be two sitting commissioners. A quorum of three commissioners (out of a full complement of five) is required for most major commission business.

IECA is an important stakeholder because our ability to maintain and increase manufacturing jobs is completely dependent upon an increase in the deliverability of the supply of natural gas.

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*The Industrial Energy Consumers of America is a nonpartisan association of leading manufacturing companies with \$1.0 trillion in annual sales, over 2,300 facilities nationwide, and with more than 1.6 million employees worldwide. It is an organization created to promote the interests of manufacturing companies through advocacy and collaboration for which the availability, use and cost of energy, power or feedstock play a significant role in their ability to compete in domestic and world markets. IECA membership represents a diverse set of industries including: chemical, plastics, steel, iron ore, aluminum, paper, food processing, fertilizer, insulation, glass, industrial gases, pharmaceutical, building products, automotive, brewing, independent oil refining, and cement.*