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The Honorable Ken Salazar
Secretary
U.S. Department of the Interior
1849 C Street, NW
Washington, DC 20240

Re: Anadarko Greater Natural Buttes Project

Dear Secretary Salazar:

On behalf of the Industrial Energy Consumers of America (IECA), we congratulate you and the Department of Interior on the approval of the Anadarko Greater Natural Buttes Project in Utah. As large industrial consumers of natural gas and natural gas-fired power generation, your approval of this project is good news and increases our hope that other projects can be approved as well.

IECA membership represents a diverse set of manufacturing industries that include chemicals, plastics, cement, paper, food processing, brick, fertilizer, steel, glass, industrial gases, pharmaceutical, aluminum and brewing. Our competitiveness, to a great extent is dependent upon the availability and affordability of energy. The U.S. is fortunate to have an abundant supply of natural gas, oil and coal, and increasing access to these resources are vital not only to the health of the manufacturing sector but to the entire economy.

The Anadarko Greater Natural Buttes Project illustrates that the oil and gas industry is a partner, not an adversary. Everyone wants a clean environment. The approval of this project is a great milestone.

Again, congratulations and we look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

Paul N. Cicio
President

The Industrial Energy Consumers of America is a nonpartisan association of leading Manufacturing companies with \$700 billion in annual sales and with more than 650,000 employees nationwide. It is an organization created to promote the interests of manufacturing companies through research, 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: plastics, cement, paper, food processing, brick, chemicals, fertilizer, insulation, steel, glass, industrial gases, pharmaceutical, aluminum and brewing.