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### **CARBON PRICING IN WHOLESALE ELECTRIC MARKETS WILL NEED TO CONSIDER IMPACTS TO MANUFACTURING COMPETITIVENESS AND JOBS**

**WASHINGTON, DC** – Today, the Industrial Energy Consumers of America (IECA) [submitted comments](#) on the potential Federal Energy Regulatory Commission’s (FERC) technical conference or workshop to discuss integrating state, regional, and national carbon pricing in FERC-jurisdictional organized regional wholesale electric energy markets.

Paul N. Cicio, President of IECA, made the following statement:

“IECA does not take a position on whether the FERC should or should not have a technical conference or workshop. However, if they do, impacts to the U.S. manufacturing sector and especially the energy-intensive trade-exposed (EITE) industries must be considered.”

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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 4,000 facilities nationwide, and with more than 1.7 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: chemicals, plastics, steel, iron ore, aluminum, paper, food processing, fertilizer, insulation, glass, industrial gases, pharmaceutical, building products, automotive, brewing, independent oil refining, and cement.*