



## U.S. COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION

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### **ELECTRONIC MAIL**

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Paul Cicio  
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Washington, DC 20006

### **Re: Energy and Environmental Markets Advisory Committee Representative Associate Member Appointment Confirmation**

Dear Mr. Cicio:

I am pleased to confirm your invitation to serve as a representative Associate Member of the U.S. Commodity Futures Trading Commission's (Commission) Energy and Environmental Markets Advisory Committee (EEMAC). The EEMAC and CFTC's other advisory committees serve an important role in helping the agency to carry out its mission to foster open, transparent, competitive, and financially sound markets. The advice and information you provide as an Associate Member of the EEMAC will play an integral role in assisting EEMAC Members with obtaining information on matters of concern to exchanges, firms, end users, and regulators regarding the energy and environmental markets and their regulation by the Commission.

Pursuant to the terms of the EEMAC Charter (attached) and based on your current position as a representative of the Industrial Energy Consumers of America (IECA), the Commission appointed you to represent the viewpoint of End-User (industrial). In addition, you have been appointed to represent the IECA because 1) you have the authority to bind your organization to particular positions and issues that will likely be presented at EEMAC Associate Member meetings for deliberation or discussion; 2) have had past affiliations or dealings with your organization and have substantial knowledge of the views or positions of this organization; 3) will engage in regular consultations with your organization regarding the substance of EEMAC Associate Member and EEMAC meeting discussions and deliberations during your term; and/or 4) will be given access to privileged or confidential information about your organization that may not necessarily be shared with other Associate Members but which will assist you in representing your organization.

## EEMAC Representative Associate Member Responsibilities, Term, and Compensation/Travel/Per Diem

As a representative Associate Member, your primary role is to present the views and interests of your organization and the viewpoint category designated to you by the Commission. Additionally, your responsibilities as an EEMAC Associate Member include the following:

- Attend and participate in Associate Member and EEMAC meetings.
- Review any materials provided in advance of meetings.
- Be willing to engage in an exchange of views and perspectives at meetings.
- Search for consensus solutions, where appropriate, among Associate Members for the EEMAC.
- Serve as a spokesperson for your organization.
- Provide any Associate Member reports and recommendations directly to the EEMAC and not to the Commission, Commissioners, Commission staff, or other Federal employees.
- Refrain from voting or otherwise formally approving reports or recommendations made by the EEMAC to the Commission.
- Cooperate with the EEMAC Secretary.
- Serve as an Associate Member for your appointed term, or if you find you cannot serve, resign from service.
- Immediately notify the Secretary if there may be changes to your position/title or represented organization during your term.
- Maintain an environment that promotes the participation of all Associate Members and Members.
- Refrain from any language or activities that would compromise the civility of any Associate Member or EEMAC meetings.

Should you serve on any EEMAC subcommittee, please note that you would continue to represent the views and interests of your organization and the viewpoint designated to you by the Commission on the subcommittee; the Associate Member responsibilities above would also apply to any subcommittee membership.

Your term began on the date the Commission appointed you to serve as an Associate Member of the EEMAC and ends on September 30, 2023. Should you serve on any subcommittee, your term on the subcommittee would also end on this date. In addition, please note that the Commission does not provide compensation, pay for travel expenses, or provide per diem for its representative Associate Members.

### Applicable Ethics Rules

EEMAC Associate Members are not subject to Federal conflict of interest and financial disclosure laws. However, because membership is a position of public trust, it is important that Associate Members do not actually use, or even give the appearance of using, their public office for private gain.

To accept service on the Committee as an Associate Member, please complete, sign and submit the attached EEMAC Associate Member Acknowledgment of Invitation and Waiver to me via e-mail, [aknauff@cftc.gov](mailto:aknauff@cftc.gov). Please note that this document must be provided to me prior to your service as an Associate Member or attendance at any Associate Member or Committee meeting.

If you have questions about your role as an Associate Member, please contact me at the above-listed e-mail address or (202) 418-5123.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Abigail S. Knauff".

Abigail S. Knauff  
EEMAC Secretary

Attachment