



## **Industrial Energy Consumers of America**

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The Honorable Robert F. Powelson  
Commissioner  
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC)  
888 First Street, NE  
Washington, DC 20426

Dear Commissioner Powelson:

On behalf of myself and the Industrial Energy Consumers of America (IECA), we congratulate you on your recent appointment. No one is better suited to help lead the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission and make the desperately needed changes to drive economic and job growth. We are enormously supportive of your efforts and desire to work with you and the Administration to rebuild the manufacturing sector.

IECA member companies are the large energy-intensive trade-exposed (EITE) industries that include some of the largest industrial consumers of electricity and natural gas, significant owners of industrial CHP (PURPA) facilities, and users of demand response in the U.S. For this reason, what the Commission does is very important to competitiveness and jobs.

We look forward to working with you and your team in the days and years ahead. Please feel free to call me if I can be of assistance and provide support to your efforts.

Sincerely,

Paul N. Cicio  
President

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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 2,600 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.*