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The Honorable Wilbur Ross
Secretary
U.S. Department of Commerce
1401 Constitution Avenue, NW
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Dear Secretary Ross:

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 lead the U.S. Department of Commerce 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 “Make America Great Again,” and especially rebuild the manufacturing sector.

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

Sincerely,

Paul N. Cicio
President

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.