



April 9, 2015

The Honorable Ernest Moniz
Secretary
U.S. Department of Energy
1000 Independence Ave, SW
Washington, DC 20585

Dear Secretary Moniz:

On behalf of the American Public Gas Association (APGA) and the American Public Power Association (APPA), we would like to express our strong support for the nomination of Wade Stinson for the Appliance Standards and Rulemaking Federal Advisory Committee.

APGA is the national association for publicly-owned natural gas distribution systems. There are approximately 1,000 public gas systems in 37 states and over 700 of these systems are APGA members. Publicly-owned gas systems are not-for-profit, retail distribution entities owned by, and accountable to, the citizens they serve. They include municipal gas distribution systems, public utility districts, county districts, and other public agencies that have natural gas distribution facilities.

APPA is the national service organization representing the interests of the over 2,000 state and locally-owned electric utilities. These consumer-owned public power utilities operate on a not-for-profit basis, exist in every state except Hawaii, and collectively serve over 48 million Americans.

Wade Stinson is a professional engineer and Associate General Manager of Operations for the City Utilities of Springfield, Missouri. The City Utilities of Springfield (CU) is a public utility that operates electric, natural gas, water, and broadband utility services.

Wade has been a champion of energy efficiency throughout his career. Over the past several years CU has demonstrated a leadership role in addressing energy efficiency within their community through their progressive energy appliance rebate program as well as through the development of a program that provides an incentive to homeowners to obtain an ENERGY STAR® home energy audit.

Prior to joining City Utilities, Wade enjoyed a 27-year career with Memphis (TN) Light, Gas, and Water serving as Vice President, Construction and Maintenance. His work at the Cities Utilities of Springfield and Memphis Light, Gas and Water has given Wade the broad background to understand both the electric and natural gas energy impacts of any potential rule. It has also given him the unique understanding how the various different types of utilities interact with each other.

APGA and APPA strongly believe that both the electric and natural gas industry/utility interests should be well represented on the Appliance Standards and Rulemaking Federal Advisory Committee. Mr. Stinson's expertise in the utility industry backs him as a highly qualified person to represent both the electric and gas interests on this Advisory Committee.

We thank you in advance for your consideration of Wade Stinson to serve on the Appliance Standards and Rulemaking Federal Advisory Committee.

Sincerely,

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Bert Kalisch
President & CEO
American Public Gas Association

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Susan N. Kelly
President & CEO
American Public Power Association