



AMERICAN PUBLIC GAS ASSOCIATION

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Administrator Scott Pruitt
Environmental Protection Agency
1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, DC 20460

Dear Administrator Pruitt:

On behalf of the American Public Gas Association (APGA), I communicate our support for the nominations of Laura Mooney, Regulatory Compliance Manager, Natural Gas for the City of Tallahassee, and Todd Brewer, Manager – Water Quality & Optimization for City Utilities of Springfield, MO, for consideration for appointment to the Environmental Protection Agency's Science Advisory Board (SAB). APGA also supports the nomination of Jim Moore, Utility Market Analyst, for Spire Inc.

APGA is the national association for publicly-owned natural gas distribution systems. There are currently approximately 1,000 public gas systems located in 37 states. Publicly-owned gas systems are not-for-profit, retail distribution entities owned by, and accountable to, the citizens they serve. Public gas systems' primary focus is on providing safe, reliable, and affordable service to their customers.

The SAB plays a critical role in, among other things, reviewing the quality and relevance of the scientific and technical information being used by the EPA. The individuals mentioned above would bring an abundance of expertise and real world experience to the SAB which would greatly benefit the EPA as it moves forward. Their skills, in addition to the experience they possess, can provide critical input into the technical information being utilized by the EPA as the basis for Agency regulations.

We strongly urge you to appoint these individuals to the SAB and thank you in advance for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Bert Kalisch
President & CEO