

May 19, 2016

Norman C. Bay Chairman Federal Energy Regulatory Commission 888 First Street, NE Washington, DC 20426

Dear Chairman Bay:

The National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (NARUC) is pleased that the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) is hosting a technical conference on June 27th and 28th on competitive transmission development processes (Docket No. AD16-18-000).

This is an important discussion, and NARUC commends the Commission for the thoughtfulness of the topics chosen and questions asked.

NARUC appreciates that the level of interest in the discussion is high and respectfully requests that the Commission ensure that the views of the States are appropriately represented on the variety of issues that have been raised. We hope that you will be able to accommodate the following members of the NARUC community as panelists at the conference:

- Commissioner Angela Weber, Commissioner, Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission;
- Commissioner Beth Trombold, Public Utilities Commission of Ohio;
- Commissioner Marcelino Madrigal, Energy Regulatory Commission, Mexico;
- Rajendra Addepalli, Director of Utility Rates & Services, New York Public Service Commission;
- Maury Galbraith, Executive Director, Western Interstate Energy Board; and,
- Heather Hunt, Executive Director, New England States Committee on Electricity.

I would be happy to consult with you and your staff about the appropriate panels for the above individuals. Together, they cover a diverse set of topics, from the difficulties of inter-regional planning and seams to the importance of cost containment to the States.

Finally, as you know, our association intends to spend part of its Summer Committee Meetings on electric transmission topics. While we do not necessarily intend it to be a direct analogue to

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FERC's work on the subject, we are nonetheless grateful for your willingness to participate in some way. I look forward to discussing with you the content of the NARUC event soon.

Please let me know if you would like to discuss this matter further or if I can be of any assistance.

Sincerely,

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