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## INDUSTRIAL ENERGY CONSUMERS OF AMERICA CONGRATULATES FERC CHAIRMAN LAURA SWETT ON APPOINTMENT

WASHINGTON, DC – IECA commends President Donald J. Trump for his appointment of Laura Swett as Chairman of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC).

Paul N. Cicio, President of IECA, made the following statement:

Manufacturing energy consumers congratulate Laura Swett as Chairman of the FERC and a return to having all five commission seats filled. We look forward to working with Chairman Swett to reduce and avoid electricity costs that are rapidly escalating, increase natural gas pipeline capacity, and improve energy reliability.

The Industrial Energy Consumers of America is a nonpartisan association of leading manufacturing companies with \$1.3 trillion in annual sales, over 12,000 facilities nationwide, and with more than 1.9 million employees. One hundred percent of IECA members are manufacturing companies whose competitiveness is largely determined by the cost and reliability of natural gas and electricity. IECA's sole mission is to reduce and avoid energy costs and increase energy reliability through advocacy in Congress and regulatory agencies, such as the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC). IECA membership represents a diverse set of industries including chemicals, plastics, steel, iron ore, aluminum, paper, food processing, fertilizer, insulation, glass, industrial gases, pharmaceutical, consumer goods, building products, automotive, independent oil refining, and cement.