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President Donald J. Trump
1600 Pennsylvania Ave, NW
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The Honorable Shelley Moore Capito
The Honorable Martin Heinrich
The Honorable Mike Lee
The Honorable Sheldon Whitehouse
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear President Trump and Senators Capito, Heinrich, Lee and Whitehouse:

On behalf of NRG Energy, I want to commend you for your leadership in developing the Bipartisan American Affordability and Jobs Act. At a time of rapidly growing electricity demand, America needs a permitting and energy policy regime that provides greater certainty, enables investment, and allows us to build the infrastructure necessary to support economic growth while keeping energy reliable and affordable. NRG is pleased to endorse this important legislation.

We are at a pivotal moment: America must meet significant new energy demand while ensuring people can afford their energy bills and building a reliable, resilient energy system that can serve the country for decades to come. We need clear and durable permitting processes that enable investment in new generation and infrastructure while ensuring that resources capable of strengthening the grid and serving customers can connect and compete in our energy markets. This legislation takes meaningful steps in that direction by establishing clearer permitting timelines, improving certainty for major investments, and addressing barriers to bringing new energy resources onto the grid.

Just as importantly, America's energy strategy cannot focus only on building new infrastructure. We should also make better use of the system we already have. Technologies such as demand response, distributed generation and aggregation, and storage can provide additional capacity and flexibility, help meet growing demand, and improve utilization of existing infrastructure. The legislation specifically advances wholesale-market access for these resources, which is an important complement to



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building new generation and transmission and can help put downward pressure on costs for customers.

As new, large sources of demand come onto the grid, we also believe growth should benefit, rather than burden, the customers already connected to the system. The legislation's framework requiring covered data-center loads to bear their associated incremental transmission costs reflects the important principle that the costs created by new demand should not be shifted to existing customers.

At NRG, we believe competitive markets, private investment, customer choice and innovation are essential to meeting America's rapidly changing energy needs. This bipartisan legislation represents a significant step toward creating the certainty needed to invest, build and innovate at the pace our country now demands. We appreciate the work that went into bringing together a broad coalition around these issues and look forward to working with the Administration and Congress to help advance this important effort.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Robert J. Gaudette", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Robert J. Gaudette
President and Chief Executive Officer
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