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COUNCIL

January 31, 2023

The Honorable Toni Atkins  
Chair, Senate Rules Committee  
State Capitol, Room 400  
Sacramento, CA 95814

Via email

Re: Confirmation of John R.D. Reynolds, J.D., Public Utilities Commission – Support

Dear President Pro Tempore Atkins,

On behalf of the California Efficiency + Demand Management Council (Council), I write to express our support of the appointment of John Reynolds as a California Public Utilities Commissioner.

The Council is the premier statewide trade association representing the energy efficiency and demand management industries which employ tens of thousands of people. Our Members design, implement, maintain, and evaluate efficiency, demand response, and data analytics services and products.

John Reynolds brings to the California Public Utilities Commission (“Commission”) an extensive and impressive education and background in energy and technology; particularly drawing from his years of experience as key staff at the Commission. Most recently Commissioner Reynolds had previously served as Managing Counsel at Cruise LLC since 2019. Prior to that, he held multiple positions at the CPUC, including Interim Chief of Staff to Commissioner Genevieve Shiroma in 2018, Advisor to former Commissioner Carla J. Peterman from 2015 to 2018, and Public Utilities Counsel from 2013 to 2015.

As the Commission is balancing a multitude of rulemakings that could result in impactful and innovative policy and regulatory decisions, Commissioner Reynolds’ understanding of both the utilities and technology industries will continue to benefit utility customers statewide and help the State achieve its climate and energy goals equitably, affordably, and reliably.

For the reasons above, the Council respectfully urges your support for John Reynolds’ appointment to the Commission. Thank you very much for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,



Joseph Desmond  
Executive Director  
California Efficiency + Demand Management Council