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Luly E. Massaro, Commission Clerk
Public Utilities Commission
89 Jefferson Blvd.
Warwick, RI 02888

Re.: Membership on the Stakeholder Committee (Docket No. 4600)

Dear Clerk Massaro:

I am writing on behalf of the RI Manufacturers Association ("RIMA") Board of Directors to nominate William A. McCourt, President and CEO of RIMA, as a member of the Stakeholder Committee. As you may know, RIMA is the local industry association that represents the manufacturing sector in a wide range of areas. Energy costs represent a major expense component of every manufacturer, especially those that operating in the northeast United States.

RI is home to more than 1,500 manufacturing companies; many small businesses whose owners are so actively engage in their day-to-day operations that they do not have the time or expertise to participate in these matters.

If appointed, Mr. McCourt will actively participate in good faith in the development of recommendations on issues under consideration in Docket No. 4600 and related matters and help communicate the recommendations back to the RI manufacturing community.

We appreciate your consideration of this nomination. RIMA is committed to supporting the needs and concerns of our RI manufacturers. RIMA's active participation in this process helps ensure that their voice will be heard.

Sincerely,

Robert Nangle
Board Chairman
Rode Island Manufacturers Association



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