

The Honorable Lisa Murkowski  
Chairwoman  
Senate Committee on Energy and Natural  
Resources  
304 Dirksen Senate Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Joe Manchin  
Ranking Member  
Senate Committee on Energy and Natural  
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May 19, 2020

Dear Chairwoman Murkowski and Ranking Member Manchin:

We write to express our strong support for Honorable Mark Menezes's nomination to serve as Deputy Secretary of the Department of Energy and urge your support for his confirmation.

We believe Mr. Menezes's integrity, experience and managerial expertise, demonstrated during his many years of senior leadership positions in the public and private sectors, including Berkshire Hathaway Energy, American Electric Power and Chief Counsel for Energy and Environment for the United States House of Representatives Committee on Energy and Commerce, uniquely prepare him for this important role. Mr. Menezes's deep qualifications and broad support is also validated by his previous U.S. Senate confirmation for Under Secretary of the Department of Energy in November 2017.

We share Mr. Menezes's commitment to ensuring that our nation's growing energy demands continue to be met by American innovation, technology, efficiency and free enterprise. Continued access to abundant, durable and affordable energy – to power our homes, businesses, transportation, communications networks and more – is critically important to economic growth and American security.

We again respectfully request your support for the confirmation of Mr. Menezes to serve as Deputy Secretary of the Department of Energy and look forward to continuing our strong partnership to strengthen American energy security and drive innovation.

Sincerely,

American Exploration & Production Council  
American Fuel & Petrochemical Manufacturers  
American Gas Association  
American Petroleum Institute  
American Public Gas Association  
Association of Oil Pipe Lines  
Center for LNG  
Edison Electric Institute  
International Association of Geophysical Contractors  
Independent Petroleum Association of America  
International Association of Drilling Contractors  
Interstate Natural Gas Association of America  
LNG Allies, The USLNG Association  
National Association of Manufacturers  
National Mining Association

National Ocean Industries Association  
Natural Gas Supply Association  
The Fertilizer Institute  
U.S. Chamber of Commerce  
U.S. Energy Association  
US Oil & Gas Association  
Alabama Coal Association  
Alabama Petroleum Council  
API New York  
API Ohio  
API South Carolina  
Arkansas Petroleum Council  
Associated Industries of Florida  
Associated Petroleum Industries of Michigan  
Associated Petroleum Industries of Pennsylvania  
Colorado Mining Association  
Colorado Petroleum Council  
Connecticut Petroleum Council  
Florida Petroleum Council  
Georgia Petroleum Council  
Illinois Petroleum Council  
Indiana Coal Council  
Indiana Petroleum Council  
Kansas Petroleum Council  
Kentucky Coal Association  
Louisiana Association of Business and Industry  
Louisiana Mid-Continent Oil and Gas Association  
Maryland Petroleum Council  
Massachusetts Petroleum Council  
Minnesota Petroleum Council  
Mississippi Petroleum Council  
Missouri Petroleum Council  
NC Chamber  
New Jersey Petroleum Council  
North American Association of Food Equipment Manufacturers (NAFEM)  
North Carolina Petroleum Council  
North Dakota Petroleum Council  
Northeast PA Manufacturers & Employers Association  
Ohio Coal Association  
Pennsylvania Coal Alliance  
Tennessee Mining Association  
Tennessee Petroleum Council  
Texas Oil and Gas Association  
Utah Mining Association  
Virginia Coal and Energy Alliance  
Virginia Petroleum Council  
Western States Petroleum Association  
West Virginia Coal Association  
Wisconsin Petroleum Council  
Wyoming Mining Association