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NGSA Salutes Kelliher Selection for FERC Chair; Praises Wood Tenure

(Washington) ... "The Natural Gas Supply Association (NGSA) applauds the White House selection of Joseph Kelliher to replace Pat Wood as chairman of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC). With this selection, we anticipate a smooth transition that will retain FERC's priority commitment to competitive markets," said NGSA President and CEO Skip Horvath.

"As Chairman Wood steps down, NGSA salutes his steadfast leadership and notable contributions to the nation's energy customers during the last four years. A leader with a remarkable knack for balancing competitive market goals with adequate and necessary consumer protection, he responded to the immediate challenges by establishing an oversight arm at FERC that understands energy markets. During his tenure, overall confidence in market transparency has improved significantly, and wholesale market activity has rebounded from scandal.

"Going back to his days as majority counsel of the House Energy and Commerce Committee, Commissioner Kelliher has also consistently demonstrated his preference for market-based solutions. We also believe he is a choice that will allow for enhanced market efficiencies, as well as new supply resources and infrastructure. He is a natural successor to pick up where Chairman Wood leaves off.

"We commend Chairman Wood for his service to the American people and have full faith that his successor, Commissioner Kelliher, shares his deep commitment to market-based solutions to the ongoing supply challenges facing our nation."

NGSA represents integrated and independent companies that produce and market natural gas in the United States. NGSA is actively involved in pursuing regulatory and legislative issues that affect the association's members. Established in 1965, NGSA encourages expanded use of natural gas and supports regulatory and legislative actions that foster competitive markets.