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The Honorable Chairman Bruce Westerman House Committee on Natural Resources 1324 Longworth House Office Building Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Westerman:

The Electric Power Supply Association (EPSA), the national trade association for America's competitive power suppliers, is grateful for your ongoing work to streamline and improve the federal permitting process for a variety of critical infrastructure, including energy generation facilities. Projections for electricity demand in the coming years signal growth rates that the energy industry has not seen in decades, and the nation requires a thorough commitment to the building of new generation assets. EPSA members own and operate approximately 200,000 megawatts of generating capacity and energy storage in the United States and appreciate your commitment to federal permitting reform to promote a reliable, affordable, and sustainable electric grid – ensuring that the nation is able to achieve its economic and security goals.

EPSA members have experience developing and operating generation resources across the country powered by a diverse mix of fuels and technologies, including natural gas, coal, nuclear, wind, solar, hydropower, battery storage, and geothermal. The experience of competitive power suppliers in building and maintaining a variety of generation and storage projects leads EPSA to support legislative and regulatory efforts to ensure stability, predictability, and transparency throughout the permitting process.

EPSA would like to reiterate its support for H.R. 4776, the Standardizing Permitting and Expediting Economic Development (SPEED) Act, including its focus on ensuring that the study process under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) is predictable, understandable, and focused, and that investors and developers have clear expectations of timelines attached to environmental reviews. In short, the SPEED Act provides valuable transparency and understanding to the permitting process for investors, and EPSA is pleased to lend its support for the bill.

Thank you again for your ongoing leadership on both the SPEED Act specifically, and your broader commitment to electric grid reliability.

Sincerely,

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