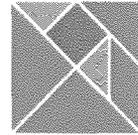


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RE: Notice of Rail Energy Transportation Advisory Committee (RETAC) Vacancies  
Candidate Nomination for Robert R. Hardman, P.E.

Dear Ms. Brown:

I am writing to offer my recommendation for Robert R. Hardman, P. E. to fill the current RETAC vacancy issued on September 15, 2015, Docket No. Ex Parte 670 (Sub-No. 2).

Mr. Hardman serves as Dynegy's vice president of coal supply and has overall responsibility for the leadership and oversight of our coal and coal transportation procurement and logistics program. Our company's dependence on reliable and cost-effective rail transportation services is significant. We spend over \$500 million on rail transportation services each year. We maintain active business relationships with five Class I railroads (BNSF Railway, Union Pacific Railroad, CSX Transportation, Norfolk Southern Corporation, and Canadian National Railway) and two Class II railroads (Illinois & Midland Railroad and Indiana Rail Road Company). Finally, we maintain approximately 50 miles of our own private utility track that interconnects to many of our plants.

Mr. Hardman is uniquely qualified to fill the RETAC's utility representative vacancy. He has over 25 years of experience in the electric utility industry. At Dynegy, he has responsibility for the procurement and transportation of over 30 million tons of coal to our twelve coal-fired power plants in Illinois and Ohio. Previously, Mr. Hardman was responsible for Southern Company's coal and transportation procurement program. In that assignment, he oversaw a program that deliver as much as 70 million tons of coal to power plants in the states of Alabama, Georgia, Florida, and Mississippi. The majority of those plants received coal via rail. In the course of his work in the electric utility industry, Mr. Hardman has had further experience in energy trading, power plant management, major capital project construction, and environmental controls research and development. Each of these experiences would complement his responsibilities on the board.

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Mr. Hardman is an active supporter of constructive relationships in the coal and transportation industry. He serves as the current president of the American Coal Council (ACC), the leading advocacy organization at the intersection of coal, transportation, and energy issues. He has served on the ACC Board of Directors for three years. Mr. Hardman is an effective communicator with extensive speaking experience as a presenter at numerous industry conferences. Mr. Hardman maintains professional certification as a registered professional engineer. Finally, he is an invested member of the community. He is a board member and prior president of the Finley Character Education Program for the Hoover City Schools system.

In our current regulatory and economic environment, the selection of effective and experienced leaders for the open seat on your board is critical. I strongly support the candidacy of Robert R. Hardman for the subject STB RETAC vacancy.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Robert C. Flexon". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the word "Sincerely,".

Robert C. Flexon  
President & CEO