



The Honorable Toni Atkins
Chair, Senate Rules Committee
State Capitol, Room 400
Sacramento, CA 95814
January 30, 2023

Subject: Confirmation of Public Utilities Commissioner John R.D. Reynolds – Support

Dear Chair Atkins and Members of the Rules Committee:

On behalf of Green Hydrogen Coalition, I write today in support of reappointing John R.D. Reynolds to the Public Utilities Commission (“PUC”) as a Commissioner.

PUC Commissioner Reynolds brings a wealth of experience and expertise to the Commission. I have had the pleasure of working directly with him in his current and prior roles, including when he served as interim Chief of Staff to Commissioner Genevieve Shiroma and when he was Advisor to former Commissioner Carla J. Peterman. I have directly witnessed Commissioner Reynolds solicit feedback from and listen to experts around him. On multiple occasions I have also seen him earn the respect of the PUC team around him; therefore, I have no doubt he will continue to do so going forward. Throughout these experiences, Commissioner Reynolds has proven to be deliberate, methodical, detail-oriented, and practical. For the above reasons, I am confident he will bring these same characteristics into this reappointment and thereby excel.

Looking forward, I am also confident Commissioner Reynolds will work on behalf of the Commission to ensure *all* Californians have access to an affordable, clean, and safe energy system due to his steadfast dedication to the work. Commissioner Reynolds has shown he is working to bring basic energy access to several vulnerable populations in this state. He has demonstrated that he is passionate about extending utility service to those most in need. I therefore believe his leadership can uplift these communities, all while considering environmental integrity and affordability.

For the aforementioned reasons, and many more, I encourage your “aye” during his upcoming confirmation hearing.

Respectfully submitted,

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