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***Statement on the FERC Cost Allocation and Planning Rule
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“We strongly support FERC’s proposal to improve the way the electric power grid is developed, planned, and paid for. Americans need a robust, modern grid to lower electricity prices and open up access to abundant yet largely untapped domestic clean energy resources; FERC’s rule could be a big step toward achieving those goals.

“FERC’s plan supports what is starting to happen in regions throughout the country – the evolution of our energy grid away from an old, outdated system. It allows for smarter, more efficient planning and construction of vital transmission lines that will bring cheaper electricity to American communities.

“Particularly for the renewable energy industry – and the workers it represents – this update to FERC’s guidelines could be a game-changer. The U.S. has vast renewable energy potential, but we need the transmission lines to connect those sources to the cities and towns that use the electricity. Developing that clean electricity supply can provide desperately needed jobs and economic vitality to regions around the country.”

For more information about the Energy Future Coalition, or to arrange an interview with any of its members, contact Jen Mullin at 202-292-6973 or via email at jmullin@gloverparkgroup.com.

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BACKGROUND

The Energy Future Coalition is a broad-based, non-partisan alliance that seeks to bridge the differences among business, labor, and environmental groups and identify energy policy options with broad political support. The coalition aims to bring about changes in U.S. energy policy to address the economic, security and environmental challenges related to the production and use of fossil fuels with a compelling new vision of the economic opportunities that will be created by the transition to a new energy economy.