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Mr. Mike Pfeiffer ICC Staff Country Club Hills, IL

Re: Appeal of RE147-19

Hello Mike:

I am writing in support of appeals submitted by the American Gas Association and the American Public Gas Association on their appeal of the action taken to approve proposal RE147-19 as submitted.

Proposal RE147 crosses a boundary from a code based on scientific data that recognizes a competitive marketplace into a document that represents the ICC "choosing a winner" in the competition for energy choice. It is no different than adopting a requirement for all new structures to be provided with fuel gas piping for connection to gas appliances.

We acknowledge that government entities are pushing for the electrification of everything, but there are many areas of the country where the such a move would actually require more energy and would be more harmful to the environment based on source energy (full fuel cycle) considerations.

In conclusion, the National Propane Gas Association supports the appeal that would overturn the Final Action on RE147-19 by disapproving the code change. Thank you.

Sincerely,

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