



April 29, 2016

The Honorable Nancy Pelosi  
The Honorable Steny H. Hoyer  
The Honorable Frank Pallone, Jr.  
United States House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Minority Leader Pelosi, Minority Whip Hoyer, and Ranking Member Pallone,

**On behalf of our diverse coalition of business, labor, and non-profit organizations, the Alliance for Industrial Efficiency writes to endorse and enthusiastically support Representative Peter Welch for a position on the upcoming House – Senate Conference Committee on the Comprehensive Energy legislation (H.R. 8 / S. 2012).**

While the Senate bill has a long list of energy efficiency measures our members and the efficiency community support, the House passed version contained fewer examples of the efficiency policy most expected would eventually emerge when the bipartisan hearings on H.R. 8 began last year. Without Representative Welch's input, advocacy and leadership for energy efficiency policies widely supported in our industry, Congress and by the White House, a successful outcome for the eventual conference legislation will be in doubt. Based on our extensive experience in this policy area we strongly support most of the energy efficiency initiatives Representative Welch has led on for years, many of which have been enacted with bipartisan support. His co-sponsorship, along with Representative McKinley, of the *Energy Savings and Industrial Competitiveness Act of 2015*, is just one example of Representative Welch's interest in advancing bi-partisan energy efficiency policies. For his extensive experience, knowledge and achievements in advancing comprehensive energy efficiency policy we would ask that you appoint him as a member of the House - Senate conference.

Sincerely,

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*The Alliance is a diverse coalition of business, labor, and non-profit organizations that advocate for policies that increase U.S. manufacturing competitiveness through industrial energy efficiency, especially the use of CHP and WHP.*