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IN THE UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA CIRCUIT

AMERICAN PUBLIC GAS ASSOCIATION, et al.))	
Petitioners,))))	
V.))))	No. 20-1068 (Consolidated with Nos. 20-1072 and 20-1100)
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY))	
Respondent.))	

STATEMENT IN SUPPORT OF PETITIONERS AND NON-BINDING STATEMENT OF ISSUES OF THE AMERICAN GAS ASSOCIATION

In accordance with this Court's Order dated May 4, 2020 in the above captioned consolidated proceedings, Intervenor the American Gas Association ("AGA") respectfully submits this statement of its intent to participate in support of the Petitioners and a non-binding statement of issues to be raised in this case. First, AGA hereby notifies the Court of its intention to participate in support of the Petitioners in the above referenced consolidated proceedings. The Petitioners in the consolidated proceedings are the American Public Gas Association, Spire Inc. and Spire Missouri Inc., and the Air-Conditioning, Heating, and Refrigeration Institute. AGA supports the Petitioners' petitions for review and statements of issues filed in these consolidated cases.

Second, consistent with the aforementioned support for the Petitioners, AGA hereby submits the following non-binding statement of issues:

- Whether the Department of Energy's ("DOE") final rule, *Energy Conservation Program: Energy Conservation Standards for Commercial Packaged Boilers*, 85 Fed. Reg. 1592 (Jan. 10, 2020) ("Final Rule"), is
 unlawful because DOE concluded unreasonably and contrary to law that the
 Energy Policy and Conservation Act's clear and convincing evidence
 standard, *see* 42 U.S.C. § 6313(a)(6)(A)(ii)(II), did not apply to the adoption
 of the rule, and that DOE's interpretation of what evidence and standard was
 applicable was unreasonable and contrary to law.
- 2. Whether the Final Rule is unlawful because the justification for the standards imposed was arbitrary and capricious, unsupported by clear and convincing evidence as required by 42 U.S.C. § 6313(a)(6)(A)(ii)(II), and unsupported by substantial evidence as required by 42 U.S.C. § 6306(b).

3. Whether DOE acted in an arbitrary and capricious manner, abused its discretion, acted contrary to its own regulations, policies and procedures, acted contrary to law, or otherwise violated Administrative Procedure Act requirements in adopting the Final Rule.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on May 18, 2020, I electronically filed the foregoing Statement in Support of Petitioners and Non-Binding Statement of Issues on the Court's CM/ECF System, which caused it to be served on all parties or their counsel.

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