

INDIANA UTILITY REGULATORY COMMISSION
Nominating Committee

April 20, 2023

Governor Eric J. Holcomb
Statehouse 206
200 W. Washington St.
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204

Dear Governor Holcomb,

Pursuant to Indiana Code ch. 8-1-1.5, the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission Nominating Committee is pleased to submit to you this letter certifying our three (3) nominations to fill the vacancy on the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission (IURC) caused by upcoming resignation of Stephanie Krevda on April 28, 2023.

The Committee consists of gubernatorial and legislative appointees. In addition to myself, Carol Stephan, as chair, the members of the Committee are Bill Champion, Michael Leppert, Jonathan Mayes, Carolene Mays, and Jim Merritt.

On March 10, 2023, the Committee announced the impending vacancy on the IURC and called for applications to be submitted by March 31, 2023. The Committee received four (4) applications and met on April 17, 2023, in Conference Room 4 of the Indiana Government Center South for the following:

- At 9:00 AM, the Committee convened for an executive session pursuant to Ind. Code § 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(10) to develop a list of prospective appointees and consider applications;
- In addition to myself, Carol Stephan, other Committee Members present were Bill Champion, Jonathan Mayes, Carolene Mays, and Jim Merritt. While Committee Member Michael Leppert was not present, the other members constituted the requisite quorum;
- At 9:15 AM, the Committee convened a public meeting to interview the four (4) applicants in the following order: Wes Bennett, Marcus Turner, Jeffrey Arnold, and Justin Brugger.
- At 11:45 PM, the Committee convened for an executive session pursuant to Ind. Code § 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(10) to develop a list of prospective appointees and consider applications; and

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- At 12:00 PM, the Committee convened a public meeting to take a final action by voting to select three (3) nominees to submit for your consideration pursuant to Ind. Code ch. 8-1-1.5.

As all members of the Committee except Michael Leppert were physically present at all times during each meeting, quorum was established. For the Executive Sessions, I certify on behalf of the Committee that no subject matter was discussed during either executive session other than what was specified in the public notice for those sessions—specifically, Ind. Code § 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(10), the development of a list of prospective appointees and consideration of applications.

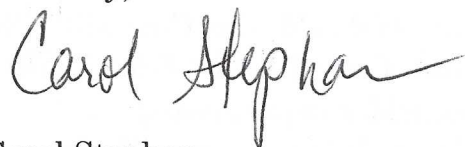
At the 12:00 PM public meeting, the Committee conducted a public vote and unanimously concurred to nominate for your consideration:

Wes Bennett
Justin Brugger
Marcus Turner

Believing these are the three (3) most highly qualified candidates, we separately submit our written evaluation of each candidate, which according to Ind. Code § 8-1-1.5-6(c) is confidential and therefore not being publicly disclosed with this letter.

Thank you for the opportunity to participate in this important process. We look forward to your appointment to fill the vacancy on the IURC.

Sincerely,



Carol Stephan
Nominating Committee Chair