Tom Kuhn is President and CEO of the Edison Electric Institute, the association that represents all U.S. investor-owned electric companies. EEI’s members provide electricity for more than 235 million Americans, and operate in all 50 states and the District of Columbia. As a whole, the electric power industry supports more than 7 million jobs in communities across the United States. In addition to our U.S. members, EEI has more than 65 international electric companies in more than 90 countries as International Members, and hundreds of industry suppliers and related organizations as Associate Members.

Mr. Kuhn joined the Institute in 1985 as executive vice president, was named chief operating officer in 1988, and was elected president in 1990. Prior to joining EEI, Mr. Kuhn was president of the American Nuclear Energy Council, which subsequently merged with the Nuclear Energy Institute. The Council represented virtually all of the companies in the commercial nuclear power industry. He joined the Council in 1975 as vice president, government affairs, and became president in 1983.

From 1972 to 1975, Mr. Kuhn headed the energy section of the investment banking firm, Alex Brown and Sons. Prior to that, from 1970 to 1972, he was White House Liaison Officer to the Secretary of the Navy.

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Mr. Kuhn previously served on the Secretary of Energy’s Advisory Board and the Board of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce. He currently serves on the boards of the Alliance to Save Energy, the United States Energy Association, and the U.S. Navy Memorial Foundation. He is Chairman Emeritus of the Committee of 100 of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, the American Society of Association Executives (ASAE), and the National Multiple Sclerosis Society.

Among his honors, Mr. Kuhn was awarded the Bess Goodman Humanitarian Award in 2000. He was chosen as Association Executive of the Year in 2000 by Association TRENDS magazine, ASAE Key Award winner in 2009, and the Trade Association CEO of the Year in 2015 by CEO Update. In 2017, Mr. Kuhn received the Energy Good Scout Award from the National Capital Area Council of the Boy Scouts of America. He received the 2018 United States Energy Award for “unparalleled contribution and leadership in the energy sector” and the Keystone Policy Center 2019 Leadership Award.

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