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U.S. Representatives Mike Doyle and Adam Kinzinger Receive John D. Dingell Award

WASHINGTON (March 2, 2020) – During a reception tonight, U.S. Representative Debbie Dingell (D-MI) will present the John D. Dingell Award to Representatives Mike Doyle (D-PA) and Adam Kinzinger (R-IL) for their long history of bipartisanship, which most recently included their efforts to champion the Nuclear Utilization of Keynote Energy (NUKE) Act.

In 2008, the Edison Electric Institute (EEI) and the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW) came together to create the National Labor and Management Public Affairs Committee (National LAMPAC). National LAMPAC strives to foster collaboration and partnership among energy company executives and IBEW leaders to address the nation’s energy challenges and to achieve the common goals of running a well-managed, efficient business with a safe and highly skilled workforce.

Named for the longest-serving member of Congress, the John D. Dingell Award is presented to leaders who exemplify and promote labor-management cooperation and whose efforts have helped to advance the common objectives of the energy industry and IBEW members. Mr. Dingell served as Chairman of the House Energy and Commerce Committee for many years, where he amassed an impressive record of bipartisan accomplishments on a wide range of issues, many of which focused on labor-management collaboration.

Representatives Doyle and Kinzinger exemplified the spirit of the Dingell Award by working together to introduce the NUKE Act. After it advanced the legislation through the U.S. House of Representatives, the U.S. Senate approved the legislation as part of the Nuclear Energy Innovation and Modernization Act. The bill puts in place a framework to streamline licensing processes, and its increased transparency for fees provides certainty for the next generation of nuclear reactor investments.

“The collaboration between Representative Doyle and Representative Kinzinger to support existing nuclear plants and to pave the way for future nuclear generation is a terrific example of bipartisan leadership that continuously propels the energy industry forward,” said EEI President Tom Kuhn. “Each is very deserving of this distinguished award, and we thank them for their tireless efforts and dedication to public service.”

“Representatives Doyle and Kinzinger’s commitment to bipartisan energy legislation that slashes carbon emissions while protecting good jobs and our nation’s energy security is the kind of common-sense approach we need to see more of in Congress, and I congratulate them both on this distinguished honor,” said IBEW International President Lonnie Stephenson.

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EEI is the association that represents all U.S. investor-owned electric companies. Our members provide electricity for about 220 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 60 international electric companies, with operations in more than 90 countries, as International Members, and hundreds of industry suppliers and related organizations as Associate Members.

The IBEW represents approximately 750,000 active members and retirees who work in a wide variety of fields, including utilities, construction, telecommunications, broadcasting, manufacturing, railroads and government. The IBEW has members in both the United States and Canada and stands out among the American unions in the AFL-CIO because it is among the largest and has members in so many skilled occupations.