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USNIC Statement on U.S. Senate Confirmation of Gov. Rick Perry for Secretary of Energy

Today's bipartisan vote in the Senate to confirm Governor Perry is a testament to his impressive leadership credentials, accomplished track record and strong performance on a wide range of energy and national security issues during his confirmation hearing.

We look forward to working with Governor Perry as Secretary of Energy. As Energy Secretary he will bring significant management experience as the longest serving Governor in the history of Texas. He has dealt successfully with formidable state energy and nuclear energy resources, which include four nuclear reactors, thousands of nuclear-related jobs, the U.S.'s largest nuclear engineering program at Texas A&M, a pending two-unit expansion at the South Texas Project and a key nuclear weapons facility at PANTEX.

Governor Perry was a tour de force as the lead advocate for Texas Inc. during his time as Governor with tangible results. We are confident that he will bring similar vitality and focus to the challenges and opportunities confronting U.S. energy and nuclear energy, particularly given nuclear energy's key strategic role in jobs, exports, Made-in-America energy independence, clean energy leadership and national security.

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