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ELCON Hires President and CEO

Washington D.C. -- The Electricity Consumers Resource Council (ELCON) announces that Travis Fisher, former Economic Advisor to Federal Energy Regulatory Commissioner Bernard McNamee, will be ELCON's new President and CEO. He will begin work at ELCON on April 16.

For over forty years, ELCON has been the premiere national association of large industrial consumers of electricity promoting affordable, reliable, abundant and environmentally responsible energy resources for American industry.

Fisher has over 15 years of experience in energy policy, most recently serving for the past two years as Economic Advisor to Commissioner McNamee and several roles under former FERC Chairman Kevin McIntyre. In January 2017, after serving as an integral member of President Trump's transition team at both FERC and the Department of Energy (DOE), Fisher joined DOE as a Senior Advisor in the Office of Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability. At DOE he was responsible for leading the Department's efforts on the Staff Report to the Secretary on Electricity Markets and Reliability published in 2017. Fisher was an economist at the Institute for Energy Research for several years, and prior to that served as a staff economist at FERC from 2006 to 2013. A native of North Carolina, Fisher holds a bachelor's and master's degree in economics from North Carolina State University.

"I am thrilled to have been selected by ELCON's board of directors to be the next President and CEO," Fisher said. "I look forward to serving in this role and representing the ELCON membership as we tackle the important issues facing large electricity consumers."

"Like the rest of the country, ELCON members are dealing with extreme uncertainty amid a global pandemic, an international price war in the oil industry, and an upcoming national election cycle -- not to mention all the ongoing policy changes in the electricity sector at the national, regional and state level. Despite these challenges, I am confident that ELCON is well-positioned to be a thought leader as the electricity industry navigates a new landscape. It is my honor to take the helm at ELCON and provide steady leadership to our members during these turbulent times."

Interim ELCON President and CEO John Hughes said: "ELCON is fortunate to have Travis as its new leader. He brings to the organization an outstanding track record of experience at FERC and DOE, and his technical and policy skillsets are ideal for addressing the challenges facing ELCON members."