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NBJBPU President Jeanne M. Fox Named as Inaugural Member of Group

(NEWARK, NJ) – President Jeanne M. Fox of the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities (NJBPU) is one of 30 of the nation's top public and private-sector leaders on electricity policy, planning and operations asked to serve on U.S. Department of Energy's (DOE) newly-established Electricity Advisory Committee (www.oe.energy.gov/eac.htm).

The Committee, which met for the first time today, will advise the DOE on long-range planning and priorities relating to the nation's electricity delivery infrastructure. President Fox and the other 29 inaugural members will serve one- or two-year terms.

"I am proud to serve with other national leaders in electricity policy. Providing reliable, affordable electricity produced from clean, non-emitting sources is an issue the states and the federal government confront together," said President Fox. "My appointment gives New Jersey an opportunity to have a voice in key national policy decisions. This type of national and regional engagement is identified as a priority in Governor Corzine's draft Energy Master Plan."

President Fox has long been engaged on regional and national energy policy and regulatory fronts. She serves with the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners as a member of its Board of Directors, the Committee on Energy Resources and the Environment, the Committee on Critical Infrastructure, and the Utility Market Access Partnership. She also is Chair of the National Council on Electricity Policy, a consortium of the National Governors Association, National Conference of State Legislators, National Association of State Energy Officials, Environmental Protection Agency and the Department of Energy. In addition, President Fox serves as a member of the National Academy of Science Panel on Public Participation in Environmental Assessment and Decision Making; the National Leadership Group on Energy Efficiency; Harvard Electricity Policy Group; the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative Board of Directors; and the Advisory Council to the Board of Directors of the Electric Power Research Institute.

Under President Fox's leadership, the NJBPU has led the nation both in energy efficiency and clean energy policy. Some of the many accolades she and the NJBPU have received include the Golden Meter Award for Best Statewide Net Metering Program in the U.S., Network for New Energy Choices, the Sierra Club's Outstanding Achievement Award, the Solar Energy Industries Association's Solar Champion 2005, the NJ Clean Communities Appreciation Award, AARP's Leadership on Utility Consumer Issues Award, the National Solar Industry Association's Award for Outstanding Leadership in Policy Development for Clean Energy and New Jersey Environmental Lobby's Environmentalist of the Year 2001Under her leadership, the NJBPU established its highly successful Clean Energy Program. With its almost 55 MW of installed solar electric capacity, New Jersey is second only to California (which has four times the population and energy usage) in terms of the total number of PV installations.

Ms. Fox joins the following individuals on the Committee:

- ➤ Linda Stuntz, (chairperson), Founding Partner Stuntz, Davis & Staffier, P.C. and former Deputy Secretary of Energy
- Guido Bartels, General Manager, Global Energy and Utilities, IBM
- > Gerry Cauley, President and Chief Executive Officer, Southeast Electric Reliability Council
- ➤ Ralph Cavanagh, Co-Director, Energy Program, Natural Defense Resources Council
- > Jose Delgado, President and Chief Executive Officer, American Transmission Company
- ➤ Joseph Garcia, President, National Congress of American Indians
- ➤ Robert Gramlich, Policy Director, American Wind Energy Association
- ➤ Dian Grueneich, Commissioner, California Public Utilities Commission
- Michael Heyeck, Senior Vice President, Transmission, American Electric Power
- ➤ Hunter Hunt, President, Sharyland Utilities, LLP
- Susan Kelly, Vice President, Policy Analysis and General Counsel American Public Power Association
- ➤ Irwin Kowenski, President, Occidental Energy Ventures Corporation
- > Barry Lawson, Manager, Power Delivery, National Rural Electric Cooperative Association
- Yakout Mansour, President and Chief Executive Officer, California Independent System Operator
- ➤ Ralph Masiello, Senior Vice President, KEMA
- ➤ John McDonald, General Manager, Marketing, Transmission & Distribution, GE Energy
- > Steve Nadel, Executive Director, American Council for an Energy Efficiency Economy
- > David Nevius, Senior Vice President, North American Electric Reliability Corporation

- ➤ Brad Roberts, Chairman, Energy Storage Association
- Enrique Santacana, President and Chief Executive Officer and Region Manager, ABB North America, ABB, Inc.
- ➤ The Honorable Tom Sloan, Representative, Kansas House of Representatives
- > The Honorable Barry Smitherman, Chairman, Texas Public Utilities Commission
- ➤ Tom Standish, Senior Vice President and Group President Regulated Operations
 CenterPoint Energy
- Robert Thomas, Professor, Electrical and Computer Engineering, Cornell University
- ➤ Paul Tonko, President and Chief Executive Officer, New York State Energy Research and Development Authority
- Vicky Van Zandt, Senior Vice President, Transmission Business Line, Bonneville Power Administration
- ➤ Bruce Walker, Senior Staff Attorney, Consolidated Edison of New York
- ➤ Jonathan Weisgall, Vice President, Legislative and Regulatory Affairs, MidAmerican Energy
- ➤ Malcolm Woolf, Director, Maryland Energy Administration

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The New Jersey Board of Public Utilities is a state agency and regulatory authority mandated to ensure safe, adequate, and proper utility services at reasonable rates for New Jersey customers. Critical services regulated by the NJBPU include natural gas, electricity, water, wastewater, telecommunications and cable television. The Board has general oversight responsibility for monitoring utility service, responding to consumer complaints, and investigating utility accidents. To find out more about the NJBPU, visit our web site at www.nj.gov/bpu.