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Richard S. Mroz, Esq. has a long and distinguished career in law, government, business, and public service. His experiences as a regulator, lawyer, lobbyist, banker, corporate director, consultant and thought leader have focused on numerous issues, including energy and utility regulation, energy markets, the evolving grid, cybersecurity, water and wastewater policy, as well as infrastructure development and financing for various industries. He is a frequent speaker and commentator on energy, utility, and critical infrastructure resilience issues.

Mr. Mroz is the former President of the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities (NJBP), serving as Chairman and Chief Administrative Officer of the Agency, and acted as the Chief Energy Officer for New Jersey. Mr. Mroz has held various national and regional leadership positions, including serving as Chairman of the Critical Infrastructure Committee for the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (NARUC), where he advanced efforts addressing cybersecurity and infrastructure improvements in the electric, gas, water and telecommunications industries. He was NARUC liaison to the Electric Sector Coordinating Council (ESCC), as well as a member of the NARUC Electricity Committee, Subcommittee on Nuclear Issues and Nuclear Waste Disposal, and a member of the NARUC Board of Directors. He was Chairman of the Organization of PJM States, Inc. (OPSI), the official organization designated by the states to interact with the regional grid and transmission organization, and a member of the Electric Power Research Institute (EPRI) Advisory Council.

Mr. Mroz was appointed by the Secretary of Energy to be a member of the USDOE Electric Advisory Committee, which provides advice to the Department on programs and priorities on issues of the evolving grid, distributed energy resources, and reliability of the electric system, and is a member of the Smart Grid Subcommittee and Subcommittee for Defense Critical Facilities. He also served as a Distinguished Corporate Fellow to the Global Resilience Institute at Northeastern University.

He currently serves on the Advisory Board of ClearPath Foundation which focuses on American innovation and investments in clean energy infrastructure, and he second vice chair of the New Mexico State University Center for Public Utilities Advisory Council.

For over two decades Mr. Mroz served on the Board of Directors of the Federal Home Loan Bank of New York, a congressionally chartered wholesale bank, with assets of over \$100 Billion, and which provides funding to member financial institutions in New Jersey, New York, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands. He has served on the Bank Executive, Corporate Governance, Compensation, Audit, and Congressional & Regulatory Affairs Committees, and currently is Chairman of the Housing Committee. His work with corporate governance issues continues with his active involvement with the National Association of Corporate Directors (NACD) where he serves on the Board of Directors for the NACD New Jersey Chapter having been Chairman of the Programs Committee and currently the committee for Director of the Year Awards in good governance. He is a frequent speaker on best practices in corporate governance.

These appointments and leadership positions continue an accomplished career in legal affairs and public service. Governor Christie Whitman appointed Mr. Mroz to be Chief Counsel after serving in various positions in her Administration. Of particular note, President George W. Bush appointed Mr. Mroz to the Commission on White House Fellows in 2007. In 2012, Governor Chris Christie appointed Mr. Mroz as a Commissioner of the Delaware River & Bay Authority (DRBA), a congressionally chartered bi-state transportation agency operating facilities, including the Delaware Memorial Bridge and the Cape May- Lewes Ferry.

Before becoming President of the NJBPU, Mr. Mroz worked in private practice as a lawyer and lobbyist. He was a founding Managing Director of Archer Public Affairs in Trenton, New Jersey and was Of Counsel to the Archer & Greiner law firm. For many years in the private sector, Mr. Mroz provided advice to clients in numerous industries and concentrated on governmental relations, regulatory affairs, business development and issues management. He also provided strategic counsel and advice for project development and financing, as well as corporate external affairs. He has represented clients in the energy, utility, transportation, financial services, real estate, healthcare, human services, pharmaceutical, and gaming and entertainment industries.

Over the course of his career, Mr. Mroz has provided both representation and personal service to several professional and community organizations. He has been co-counsel and legislative agent to the New Jersey Conference of Mayors and was a member of the New Jersey Supreme Court Committee on the Unauthorized Practice of Law. Mr. Mroz is a frequent commentator for programs on television and radio and internet on issues such as cybersecurity and resilience of critical infrastructure and emerging energy issues. He was Chairman of the Board of the Volunteers of America of the Delaware Valley and is a former member of the Board of Directors of the New Jersey Alliance for Action, and the New Jersey Chamber of Commerce.

Active with his college alma mater, Mr. Mroz served for many years on the Board of Directors of the University of Delaware Alumni Association and served as the Association President. He holds a B.A. from the University of Delaware and his J.D. from the Villanova University School of Law.