



April 29, 2026

Chair John Marty
Senate Finance Committee
Minnesota Senate Building
95 University Ave West
St. Paul, MN 55155

RE: SF 4504 (Frentz)—Senate Energy, Utilities, Environment, and Climate Omnibus Bill

Chair Marty and Committee Members,

The Minnesota Conservative Energy Forum (MnCEF) champions secure, reliable, affordable, clean American energy through an all-of-the-above approach grounded in principles of consumer choice, free markets, and innovation across Minnesota. I am writing to express our support for several provisions included in SF 4504.

We appreciate the inclusion of the following provisions:

- Ammonia, hydrogen, and emerging energy systems research, demonstration, and infrastructure (CleanCounts, Great Plains Institute, University of Minnesota, TalusAg)
- University of Minnesota Natural Resources Research Institute (NRRI)—next-generation iron ore, hydrogen, ammonia, and geologic hydrogen research
- Innovative energy systems and resource utilization, including anaerobic digestion, biomass, and wood waste
- Minnesota Energy Alley
- Nuclear energy study
- Department of Commerce heat pump rebate program updates

Taken together, these provisions reflect a coordinated, market-oriented approach to energy policy. They support innovation, make better use of existing resources, and help ensure that infrastructure, research, and policy are aligned to reduce barriers and enable private-sector investment.

These are the kinds of targeted investments that help build out an all-of-the-above energy portfolio while working toward a cleaner grid, supporting job growth, strengthening reliability, and improving energy security across the state. We appreciate the committee's work on this legislation and encourage your support.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Rachel E. Stuckey". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Rachel Stuckey
Executive Director
Minnesota Conservative Energy Forum