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APPA STATEMENT ON SUPREME COURT HUGHES V. TALEN ENERGY MARKETING, LLC DECISION

Washington D.C., April 19, 2016— The American Public Power Association (APPA) sees the Court’s Hughes v. Talen Energy Marketing, LLC decision as yet another regrettable setback for restructured states in Regional Transmission Organization regions that take seriously their obligations to ensure that their state’s retail customers have reliable, affordable and environmentally responsible electric service. We note, however, that the decision is narrowly drafted, and does not impair the ability of public power utilities to serve their own retail customers with owned and contracted-for generation resources. For this, APPA is appreciative.

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