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## **ClearPath Announces Jeremy Harrell as New CEO**

*Rich Powell steps down after 10 years, will remain on the ClearPath board*

**Washington, D.C. – Monday, April 8, 2024** – ClearPath announced today that effective May 6, Jeremy Harrell will become the organization’s Chief Executive Officer. Outgoing CEO Rich Powell will remain on ClearPath’s Governance Board and Advisory Board.

“ClearPath recently celebrated [10 years working on conservative clean energy policy](#), and we are extremely excited for Jeremy Harrell to step into the role as CEO,” **said Jay Faison, ClearPath Founder**. “Jeremy knows clean energy technology as well as, if not better than anyone, and will bring his mastery of the policymaking process to lead our incredible team at ClearPath. I also want to express my huge thanks to Rich Powell for 10 years of partnership. We are excited for him in the new endeavor and look forward to continued collaboration.”

Harrell, who is currently ClearPath’s Chief Strategy Officer, has been with the organization since 2017 and previously served in a number of senior roles for conservative Members of Congress. In addition to his role at ClearPath, he has served in a handful of leadership roles within the energy industry, including Chair of the U.S. Nuclear Industry Council from 2019 to 2023.

Under Harrell’s leadership, ClearPath expanded its policy portfolio from baseload clean power technologies such as nuclear, natural gas, energy storage, hydropower and geothermal to include clean industry and manufacturing, carbon management, agriculture innovation and international clean energy deployment. He has also led ClearPath’s drive to reform outdated permitting requirements that are holding back new, affordable and reliable clean energy.

ClearPath’s leadership team will remain the same, with Andrea Steiner as Chief Operating Officer, Luke Bolar as Chief External Affairs Officer, Chris Tomassi as Head of Government Affairs, Niko McMurray as Managing Director for International and Nuclear Policy, and Colleen Moss as Managing Director for Industrial Policy and Advocacy. The ClearPath leadership team has more than 70 years of combined experience serving in senior roles for conservative Members of Congress and energy-related federal agencies, supporting private sector energy leaders and building conservative advocacy organizations.

Rich Powell will take on a new role as Chief Executive Officer of the Clean Energy Buyers Association (CEBA), a trade association led by the largest private global energy buyers. The organization was founded in 2018 by the largest buyers of renewable energy to help expand their business practices and has since evolved its portfolio to encompass all 24/7 clean power

technologies. For example, [Google, Microsoft and Nucor recently announced a joint effort](#) to aggregate their power demand to procure advanced clean electricity, including nuclear, geothermal, hydrogen and long-duration storage, and [Amazon recently purchased a data center site powered 24/7/365 by nuclear power](#).

“Our mission at ClearPath is to advance policies that accelerate clean energy innovation,” **added Faison**. “The key to success for energy innovation is commercialization. As the newer technologies like advanced nuclear, carbon capture and long-duration energy storage prove their viability, they will need offtakers and buyers. The Clean Energy Buyers Association represents some of the world’s largest companies on smart energy buying, and drives the policy that enables clean grids. We are excited for Rich’s next chapter leading that effort. Here’s to moving onward and upward.”

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### **ABOUT CLEARPATH**

ClearPath’s mission is to develop and advance policies that accelerate innovations to reduce and remove global energy emissions. To advance that mission, we develop cutting-edge policy solutions on clean energy and industrial innovation. An entrepreneurial, strategic nonprofit, ClearPath (501(c)(3)) collaborates with public and private sector stakeholders on innovations in nuclear energy, carbon capture, hydropower, natural gas, geothermal, energy storage, and heavy industry to enable private-sector deployment of critical technologies. Learn more at [clearpath.org](http://clearpath.org). Follow us on Twitter: [@ClearPathAction](https://twitter.com/ClearPathAction)