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**OKOGA PRAISES SENATE EPW COMMITTEE FOR MOVING FORWARD ON
SCOTT PRUITT'S CONFIRMATION TO EPA**

OKLAHOMA CITY – The Oklahoma Oil and Gas Association (OKOGA) President Chad Warmington released the following statement praising the Senate Environment and Public Works Committee for moving forward the confirmation of Oklahoma Attorney General Scott Pruitt to be the next administrator of the Environment Protect Agency (EPA):

“The Senate Environment and Public Works Committee made the right step to end the grandstanding by a minority of its committee members and move forward on Scott Pruitt’s inevitable confirmation to be the next EPA administrator. Pruitt has promised to return the agency back to its core functions and to include all stakeholders when drafting regulations to protect the environment. The era of EPA being a political action arm for the far left, where the agency issued legally questionable regulations punishing sectors of America’s economy that didn’t align with their vision, is coming to an end. We look forward to supporting Scott Pruitt’s vision of a nation that is both pro-energy and pro-environment.”

Background

The Oklahoma Oil & Gas Association, founded in 1919, is the oldest energy trade association in the United States. Nearly a century later, the association remains dedicated to the advancement and improvement of the oil and natural gas industry within the state of Oklahoma and throughout the nation. It is a non-profit association composed of oil and gas producers, operators, purchasers, pipelines, transporters, processors, refiners, marketers and service companies which represent a substantial sector of the oil and natural gas industry within Oklahoma. The activities of OKOGA include support for legislative and regulatory measures designed to promote both the well-being and best interests of the citizens of this state and a strong and vital petroleum industry within the State of Oklahoma and throughout the United States.

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