July 17, 2017

The Honorable Charles E. Grassley
Chairman
Committee on the Judiciary
224 Dirksen Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Dianne Feinstein
Ranking Member
Committee on the Judiciary
152 Dirksen Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

Re: Support for Jeffrey Bossert Clark Assistant Attorney General Environment & Natural Resources Division

Dear Chairman Grassley and Ranking Member Feinstein:

I am writing to support the confirmation of Jeffrey Bossert Clark as Assistant Attorney General for the Environment & Natural Resources Division at the Department of Justice.

Mr. Clark has already served with distinction at the Department of Justice where he became intimately familiar with difficult issues confronting Western States regarding water and natural resources. He understands the balance of Federal authority with respect to states’ rights, an important value for Utah where the majority of the land mass is owned by the Federal government.

Utah is a state where residents treasure natural resources and advocate laws that support a clean environment. Jeff will fairly and sensibly enforce the environmental laws that Congress enacted to protect the natural resources that generations of Utahns have come to depend upon. Additionally, because Jeff understands Western values, he will support the role of the states as natural resource trustees and promote a partnership with Utah and the Federal government on difficult issues relating to environmental cleanup.

I look forward to this Committee’s endorsement of Mr. Clark to serve in this new capacity at the Department of Justice, and thank you in advance for this consideration.

Sincerely,

Gary R. Herbert
Governor

cc: The Honorable Orrin Hatch
The Honorable Mike Lee