

July 29, 2015

The President
The White House
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mr. President:

In the coming weeks, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) will send your Office of Management and Budget a new National Ambient Air Quality Standard (NAAQS) for ozone that will be among the most expensive regulations in our nation's history. Just a few years ago, you ordered the EPA to abandon a similar rule, citing the need to reduce regulatory burdens in a recovering economy. The undersigned organizations request that you do so again.

Efforts to reduce ozone are an environmental success story. Ozone levels have improved by 33 percent since 1980 and will improve even more in coming years. Businesses, governments, and individuals have all played critical roles in these achievements. Market-driven innovations and dozens of existing policies to improve fuel economy, increase energy efficiency, and reduce emissions from stationary and mobile sources will drive further air quality improvements over the next decade, and beyond.

We are committed to ensuring a clean and safe environment now and in the future. However, we also stand to bear the brunt of the economic pain from a regulation that will make it difficult to manufacture products, build new projects, produce energy, improve infrastructure and hire the workers needed to make this all happen. A stricter ozone standard could close off communities across the nation to new jobs and economic growth, requiring reductions to near-background levels in many places. We are bound by the limits of technological feasibility, and this regulation mandates controls that even the EPA admits are unknown. When regulations push beyond the achievable, we lose the ability to innovate, create jobs, and unlock the next generation of technologies. The need for balanced government policies and reasonable flexibilities has never been greater, and no single regulation threatens to disrupt this balance more than EPA's ozone rule.

We join the governors, lieutenant governors, and attorneys general from more than half of U.S. states, as well as the hundreds of federal, state and local elected officials, county commissioners, community leaders, economic development organizations, environmental regulators, transportation boards, and citizens who have written, called, or met with your Administration with their simple, but critical request: Please retain the existing 75 parts per billion (ppb) standard for ground-level ozone. Let us meet these requirements before moving the targets again.

Respectfully,

ACCA - The Indoor Environment & Energy
Efficiency Association
Aerospace Industries Association
AICC, The Independent Packaging
Association
Alabama Forestry Association
Alaska Chamber
Albany Area Chamber of Commerce

Alliance of Automobile Manufacturers
Aluminum Association
American Bakers Association
American Chemistry Council
American Coalition for Clean Coal Electricity
American Coatings Association
American Coke and Coal Chemicals
Institute

American Composites Manufacturers Association
American Concrete Pressure Pipe Association
American Farm Bureau Federation
American Forest & Paper Association
American Forest Resource Council
American Foundry Society
American Fuel and Petrochemical Manufacturers
American Iron and Steel Institute
American Petroleum Institute
American Road & Transportation Builders Association
American Wood Council
America's Natural Gas Alliance
Anderson Area Chamber of Commerce
Arizona Chamber of Commerce and Industry
Arkansas Environmental Federation
Arkansas State Chamber of Commerce
Ascension Chamber of Commerce
Ashland Area Chamber of Commerce
Associated Builders and Contractors
Associated Equipment Distributors
Associated Industries of Arkansas, Inc.
Associated Industries of Florida
Associated Industries of Missouri
Associated Oregon Industries, Inc.
Association of Equipment Manufacturers
Association of Washington Business Auto Care Association
Baltimore Washington Corridor Chamber
Baton Rouge Area Chamber
Bay City Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture
Baytown Chamber of Commerce
Billings Chamber of Commerce
Black Hills Forest Resource Association
Bolingbrook Area Chamber of Commerce
Brick Industry Association
Buckeye Valley Chamber of Commerce
Buffalo Niagara Partnership
Business Council of Alabama
Business Roundtable (BRT)
California Cotton Ginners and Growers Associations
California Manufacturers & Technology Association
Camarillo Chamber of Commerce
Canton Regional Chamber of Commerce

Carbon County Chamber of Commerce
Carson Valley Chamber of Commerce
Cayuga Economic Development Agency
Cerritos Regional Chamber of Commerce
Chambers of Commerce Alliance of Ventura & Santa Barbara Counties
Chandler Chamber of Commerce
Charleston Metro Chamber of Commerce
Charlotte Chamber of Commerce
Chemical Industry Council of Illinois
Chicago Southland Chamber of Commerce
Cincinnati USA Regional Chamber
Clay County Chamber of Commerce
Colorado Association of Commerce & Industry (CACI)
Colorado Timber Industry Association
Connecticut Business & Industry Association
Consumer Specialty Products Association
Copper Development Association
Corn Refiners Association
Council of Industrial Boiler Owners
Council of Industry of Southeastern New York
Delaware State Chamber of Commerce/Delaware Manufacturing Association
Detroit Regional Chamber
East Feliciana Parish Chamber of Commerce
East Providence Area Chamber of Commerce
Electronics Representatives Association
Energy Equipment and Infrastructure Alliance
Envelope Manufacturers Association
EPDM Roofing Association
Fabricators and Manufacturers Association, International
Fibre Box Association
Flexible Packaging Association
Florida Chamber of Commerce
Forging Industry Association
Foundry Association of Michigan
Fresno Chamber of Commerce
Gas Processors Association
Georgia Association of Manufacturers
Georgia Chamber of Commerce
Glass Packaging Institute (GPI)
Global Cold Chain Alliance
Goshen (IN) Chamber of Commerce

Grand Rapids Area Chamber of Commerce
Great Lakes Metro Chambers Coalition
Greater Bakersfield Chamber of Commerce
Greater Elkhart Chamber of Commerce
Greater Flagstaff Chamber of Commerce
Greater Franklin County Chamber of
Commerce
Greater Lehigh Valley Chamber of
Commerce
Greater North Dakota Chamber of
Commerce
Greater Oak Brook Chamber of Commerce
and Economic Development Partnership
Greater Orange Area Chamber of
Commerce
Greater Oro Valley Chamber of Commerce
Greater Philadelphia Chamber of
Commerce
Greater Phoenix Chamber of Commerce
Greater Pittsburgh Chamber of Commerce
Greater Raleigh Chamber of Commerce
Greater Reading Chamber of Commerce &
Industry
Greater Springfield Chamber of Commerce
Greater Summerville/Dorchester County
Chamber of Commerce
Greenville Chamber of Commerce
Hardwood Federation
Hartland Area Chamber of Commerce
Hazard Perry County Chamber of
Commerce
Houma-Terrebonne Chamber of Commerce
Illinois Chamber of Commerce
Illinois Manufacturers' Association
INDA, the Association of the Nonwoven
Fabrics Industry
Independent Lubricant Manufacturers
Association
Independent Petroleum Association of
America
Indiana Cast Metals Association
Indiana Chamber of Commerce
Indiana Manufacturers Association
Indio Chamber of Commerce
Industrial Fasteners Institute
Industrial Minerals Association - North
America
Institute of Makers of Explosives
Intermountain Forest Association
International Liquid Terminals Association

Interstate Natural Gas Association of
America (INGAA)
Iowa Association of Business and Industry
ISSA, The Worldwide Cleaning Industry
Association
Jefferson Chamber of Commerce
Kentucky Association of Manufacturers
Kitchen Cabinet Manufacturers Association
Lake Havasu Area Chamber of Commerce
Laramie Chamber Business Alliance
Las Vegas Metro Chamber of Commerce
Lignite Energy Council
Lima/Allen County Chamber of Commerce
Loudoun County Chamber of Commerce
Louisiana Association of Business and
Industry
Maine State Chamber of Commerce
Marshall Area Chamber of Commerce
Maryland Chamber of Commerce
Metal Powder Industries Federation
Metalcasters of Minnesota
Metals Service Center Institute
Metro Atlanta Chamber
Michigan Chamber of Commerce
Michigan Forest Products Council
Michigan Manufacturers Association
Michigan West Coast Chamber of
Commerce
Milledgeville-Baldwin County Chamber
Minnesota Chamber of Commerce
Minot Area Chamber of Commerce
Mississippi Economic Council, The State
Chamber of Commerce
Mississippi Manufacturers Association
Montana Chamber of Commerce
Montana Manufacturing Association
Motor & Equipment Manufacturers
Association
Myrtle Beach Area Chamber of Commerce
NAHAD - The Association for Hose &
Accessories Distribution
National Alliance of Forest Owners
National Asphalt Pavement Association
National Association of Chemical
Distributors
National Association of Home Builders
National Association of Manufacturers
(NAM)
National Black Chamber of Commerce
National Lime Association
National Mining Association

National Oilseed Processors Association
National Rural Electric Cooperative
Association
National Tooling and Machining Association
Nevada Manufacturers Association
New Mexico Association of Commerce &
Industry
New Mexico Business Coalition
Non-Ferrous Founders' Society
North American Die Casting Association
North Carolina Chamber
North Carolina Forestry Association
North Shore Chamber of Commerce
Northeast PA Manufacturers & Employers
Association
Ogden/Weber Chamber of Commerce
Ohio Cast Metals Association
Ohio Chamber of Commerce
Ohio Manufacturers' Association
Olive Branch Chamber of Commerce
Orange County Business Council
Oregon Women In Timber
Oshkosh Chamber of Commerce
Outdoor Amusement Business Association,
Inc.
Oxnard Chamber of Commerce
Paperboard Packaging Council
Pennsylvania Chamber of Business and
Industry
Pennsylvania Foundry Association
Pennsylvania Manufacturers' Association
Perry Area Chamber of Commerce
Petroleum Equipment & Services
Association
Pickerington Area Chamber of Commerce
Pocatello-Chubbuck Chamber of Commerce
Pointe Coupee Economic Development
Portland Cement Association
Power Transmission Distributors
Association
Precision Machined Products Association
Precision Metalforming Association
Printing Industries of America
Quad Cities Chamber of Commerce
Quincy Area Chamber of Commerce
Rhode Island Manufacturers Association
Roanoke Valley Chamber of Commerce
Roof Coatings Manufacturers Association
(RCMA)
Saginaw County Chamber of Commerce
Salt Lake Chamber

San Antonio Manufacturers Association
San Gabriel Valley Economic Partnership
Santa Clarita Valley Chamber of Commerce
Shoals Chamber of Commerce
Society of Chemical Manufacturers and
Affiliates
South Carolina Forestry Association
Southeastern Lumber Manufacturers
Association
Southwest California Legislative Council
Southwest Indiana Chamber
SPI: The Plastics Industry Trade
Association
St. Joseph County (South Bend) IN
Chamber
State Chamber of Oklahoma
Steel Manufacturers Association
Steel Tank Institute/Steel Plate Fabricators
Association
Talbot County Chamber of Commerce
Tennessee Chamber of Commerce and
Industry
Texas Association of Business
Texas Association of Manufacturers
Texas Cast Metals Association
Textile Rental Services Association
The Business Council of New York State
The Carpet and Rug Institute
The Central Chamber of Commerce
The Chamber of Reno, Sparks, and
Northern Nevada
The Fertilizer Institute
The Hardwood Federation
The Kansas Chamber
The Longview TX Chamber of Commerce
The United Regional Chamber of
Commerce
The Vinyl Institute
The West Virginia Chamber of Commerce
Treated Wood Council
Tucson Metro Chamber
Twin City Chamber of Commerce
U.S. Chamber of Commerce
Utah Manufacturers Association
Valley Industry and Commerce Association
Victoria Chamber of Commerce
Vinyl Building Council
Virginia Chamber of Commerce
Virginia Manufacturers Association
Wabash County Chamber of Commerce

Western Agricultural Processors
Association
Western DuPage Chamber of Commerce
White Pine Chamber of Commerce
Wichita Metro Chamber of Commerce

Wisconsin Cast Metals Association
Wisconsin Manufacturers & Commerce
Wisconsin Transportation Builders
Association
Yuma County Chamber of Commerce

cc: U.S. House of Representatives
U.S. Senate