

March 17, 2015

The Honorable James Inhofe
Chairman
Committee on Environment and Public Works
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Thomas Udall
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable David Vitter
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Chairman Inhofe, Senator Udall, and Senator Vitter:

We are writing as members of the American Alliance for Innovation (AAI) to thank you for your leadership and offer our support for the Frank R. Lautenberg Chemical Safety for the 21st Century Act (S. 697). The AAI is an alliance of trade associations representing businesses both large and small from across the economy. AAI represents many major sectors of our economy, all along the chemicals value chain, including aerospace, agriculture, apparel, automotive, building and construction materials, chemical and raw material production, consumer and industrial goods, distribution, electronics, energy, equipment manufacturers, food and grocery, footwear, healthcare products and medical technology, information technology, mining and metals, paper products, plastics, retail, storage, and travel goods.

The way chemicals are produced and regulated has an impact on each of our industries, the products that we make and/or the services we provide. A strong, credible federal chemical regulatory program is important to our members, their customers, the millions of workers we represent, the national marketplace and all American consumers.

The Frank R. Lautenberg Chemical Safety for the 21st Century Act (S. 697) is a pragmatic compromise that balances the interests of multiple stakeholders while making significant improvements to chemicals management and facilitating a more cohesive federal approach to chemical regulation. We appreciate the thoughtful, bipartisan approach you have taken in crafting the legislation and look forward to working with you and your fellow co-sponsors as the bill is considered by the Committee and the full Senate.

Sincerely,

Adhesive and Sealant Council
Aerospace Industries Association
Air-Conditioning, Heating, and Refrigeration Institute

Alkylphenols & Ethoxylates Research Council
Alliance of Automobile Manufacturers
Aluminum Association
American Apparel & Footwear Association
American Bakers Association
American Chemistry Council
American Cleaning Institute
American Coatings Association
American Coke and Coal Chemicals Institute
American Composites Manufacturers Association
American Farm Bureau Federation
American Fiber Manufacturers Association
American Foundry Society
American Gas Association
APA – The Engineered Wood Association
Asphalt Roofing Manufacturers Association
Association of Global Automakers
Association of Home Appliance Manufacturers
Auto Care Association
Can Manufacturers Institute
Center for Baby and Adult Hygiene Products
Chemical Fabrics and Film Association
Color Pigments Manufacturers Association
Composite Lumber Manufacturers Association
Consumer Electronics Association
Consumer Healthcare Products Association
Consumer Specialty Products Association
Corn Refiners Association
Council of Great Lakes Industries
CropLife America
Edison Electric Institute
EPS Industry Alliance
ETAD North America
Extruded Polystyrene Foam Association
Fashion Accessories Shippers Association
Fashion Jewelry and Accessories Trade Association
Flexible Packaging Association
Global Cold Chain Alliance
Grocery Manufacturers Association
Hardwood Plywood & Veneer Association
Industrial Environmental Association
Industrial Minerals Association - North America
Institute of Makers of Explosives
Institute of Scrap Recycling Industries, Inc.
Institute of Shortening and Edible Oils
International Association of Refrigerated Warehouses

International Fragrance Association, North America
International Institute of Ammonia Refrigeration
International Institute of Synthetic Rubber Producers
International Sleep Products Association
International Warehouse Logistics Association
International Wood Products Association
IPC - Association Connecting Electronics Industries
Juvenile Products Manufacturers Association
Methanol Institute
Motor & Equipment Manufacturers Association
National Association for Surface Finishing
National Association of Chemical Distributors
National Association of Printing Ink Manufacturers
National Black Chamber of Commerce
National Cleaners Association
National Confectioners Association
National Electrical Manufacturers Association
National Grocers Association
National Industrial Sand Association
National Lime Association
National Lumber and Building Material Dealers Association
National Marine Manufacturers Association
National Mining Association
National Oilseed Processors Association
National Pest Management Association
National Restaurant Association
National Tank Truck Carriers, Inc.
Nickel Institute
Oregon Women in Timber
Outdoor Power Equipment Institute
Personal Care Products Council
Personal Watercraft Industry Association
Petroleum Marketers Association of America
Pine Chemicals Association, Inc.
Plastic Pipe and Fittings Association
Plastics Pipe Institute
Plumbing Manufacturers International
Polyisocyanurate Insulation Manufacturers Association
PVC Pipe Association
Recreation Vehicle Industry Association
Resilient Floor Covering Institute
Reusable Packaging Association
Roof Coatings Manufacturers Association
Rubber Manufacturers Association
Society of Chemical Manufacturers and Affiliates
Specialty Graphic Imaging Association

SPI: The Plastics Industry Trade Association
Sports & Fitness Industry Association
SPRI, Inc. (representing the Single Ply Roofing Industry)
Structural Insulated Panel Association
Styrene Information & Research Center
Textile Rental Services Association
The Fertilizer Institute
The Silver Institute
Thermoset Resin Formulators Association
Toy Industry Association
Travel Goods Association
Treated Wood Council
United Egg Producers
U.S. Chamber of Commerce
Utility Solid Waste Activities Group
Vinyl Siding Institute, Inc.
Window & Door Manufacturers Association

cc: Members of the Committee on Environment and Public Works