



July 24, 2014

The Honorable Lamar Smith
Chair
Committee on Science, Space and Technology
U.S. House of Representatives
2321 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Eddie Bernice Johnson
Ranking Member
Committee on Science, Space and Technology
U.S. House of Representatives
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Dear Chairman Smith and Ranking Member Johnson:

On behalf of the Precision Machined Products Association (PMPA), our members and the roughly 100,000 employees nationwide in our industry, thank you for your continued efforts to address the issues facing businesses manufacturing in America. The Revitalize American Manufacturing and Innovation Act, H.R. 2996 and the corresponding Amendment in the Nature of a Substitute, is an important step to support the growth and improvement of manufacturers across the country.

As the backbone of the U.S. economy, manufacturing employs over 12 million Americans and indirectly supports millions of more jobs. In order to revitalize American manufacturing, we must advance policies that will enhance U.S. industrial competitiveness. The establishment of public-private partnerships like the Centers for Manufacturing Innovation (CMI) will help the development of strategies and best practices to strengthen and expand the American manufacturing base while also helping to meet the workforce needs of our industry.

Thank you for your consideration and your leadership on this issue on behalf of the metalworking industry. Your support of the Revitalize American Manufacturing and Innovation Act once again proves your steadfast commitment to companies manufacturing in America.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michael Kobylka", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Michael Kobylka
Executive Director
PMPA