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The Honorable Fred Upton  
Chairman  
United States House of Representatives  
Committee on Energy and Commerce  
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Henry Waxman  
Ranking Member  
United States House of Representatives  
Committee on Energy and Commerce  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Upton and Ranking Member Waxman:

The National Association of Manufacturers (NAM), the largest manufacturing association in the United States representing small and large manufacturers in every industrial sector and in all 50 states, urges swift passage of the Energy Tax Prevention Act of 2011 (H.R. 910). This legislation prevents the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) from regulating greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions from stationary sources under the Clean Air Act (CAA). It would also allow the EPA to regulate mobile source GHG emissions for model years 2012-2016 but would prevent regulation during subsequent years.

Manufacturers face tremendous uncertainty as the EPA and state permitting authorities begin the implementation process of regulating GHG emissions from stationary sources. Though the EPA is currently regulating the largest new and modified facilities, it has announced that it will start regulating existing power plants and refineries in the near future. Manufacturers use one-third of our nation's energy, and burdensome regulations on these facilities will increase manufacturers' energy costs, hindering our competitiveness. Furthermore, as many as six million industrial facilities, power plants, hospitals, agricultural and commercial establishments eventually will be subject to regulation under the CAA.

This legislation is needed to stem the tide of the EPA's overreach and give our nation's job creators the assurance they need to expand their businesses and put Americans back to work. We urge you to support the Energy Tax Prevention Act of 2011.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Aric Newhouse'. The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

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National Association of Manufacturers

cc: Energy & Commerce Committee members