United States Senate Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator:

We write to urge you to support Amendment No. 1660, offered by Senator Collins (R-ME), that would include the language of The EPA Regulatory Relief Act of 2011 in the Senate transportation bill (S. 1813). The bipartisan EPA Regulatory Relief Act, otherwise known as the Boiler MACT legislation, is critical to preserving jobs in many manufacturing and other essential industries.

The Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) recently revised rules still need more work to be achievable and affordable for manufacturers and other businesses across America. The overall capital cost of the Boiler MACT rule remains over \$14 billion for manufacturers, small electricity generators, and other boiler operators, jeopardizing over 200,000 critically needed jobs. In addition, the January 9, 2012 court decision overturning the EPA's stay of the March 2011 rules is yet another example of the continuing morass of uncertainty surrounding these rules. Due to the complexities surrounding the regulations, businesses will simply be unable to comply with the rules in the three-year time frame.

The Collins EPA Regulatory Relief Act amendment would stay the current rules, provide the agency with more time to develop a new proposal but require the rules to be finalized in 15 months, extend the compliance time frame from three to five years, and clarify that certain non-hazardous materials should be listed as fuels.

Manufacturers, small electricity generators, and other boiler operators are running out of time. Passage of this amendment is the best way to provide businesses with the certainty they need to preserve and protect high-paying jobs in this tough economy. We urge you to support the Collins amendment.

Sincerely,

The Amalgamated Sugar Company LLC
American Chemistry Council
American Coke & Coal Chemicals Institute
American Crystal Sugar Company
American Foundry Society
American Municipal Power, Inc.
American Petroleum Institute
American Sugar Alliance
American Sugar Cane League
American Wood Council
Archer Daniels Midland Company

Arizona Pacific Wood Preserving – AZ

Arizona Pacific Wood Preserving – TX

Association of American Railroads

Association of Free Community Papers

Biomass Power Association

Boise, Inc.

Brick Industry Association

Buckeye Technologies INC.

Celanese Corporation

Community Papers of Florida

Community Papers of Michigan

Community Papers of Ohio and West Virginia

Composite Panel Association

Construction Materials Recycling Association

Corn Refiners Association

Council of Industrial Boilers Owners

Domtar Corporation

Dow Corning Corporation

Eastman Chemical Company

Evergreen Packaging Inc.

Florida Forestry Association

Florida Sugar Cane League

Forging Industry Association

Foundry Association of Michigan

Free Community Papers of New York

Georgia Forestry Association

Glatfelter

Graphic Packaging International

Hardwood Plywood and Veneer Association

Idaho Forest Group

Independent Free Papers of America

Indiana Cast Metals Association

Industrial Energy Consumers of America

Industrial Fasteners Institute

International Paper

Kennametal, Inc.

Lake States Lumber

Lake States Lumber Association

Lincoln Paper and Tissue LLC

Longview Paper and Packaging, Inc.

Louisiana Forestry Association

Louisiana Pacific Corporation

The Maine Pulp & Paper Association

Masco Corporation

McFarland Cascade

MeadWestvaco

Metalcasters of Minnesota

Michigan Sugar Company

Mid-Atlantic Community Papers Association

Midwest Free Community Papers

Minn-Dak Farmers Cooperative

Minnesota Free Paper Association

Missouri Forest Resources Association

National Association of Manufacturers

National Oil Recyclers Association

National Oilseed Processors Association

National Solid Wastes Management Association

Nevada Wood Preserving

NewPage Corporation

Nisus Corporation

North American Die Casting Association

Northwest Pulp & Paper Association

Ohio Cast Metals Association

Ohio Forestry Association

Ohio Municipal Electric Association

Oregon Forest Industries Council

Oregon Women in Timber

Ormet Corporation

Pacific Wood Preserving of Bakersfield

Pacific Wood Preserving of Oregon

Paper Recycling Coalition

Page and Hill Forest Products

Pellet Fuels Institute

Pennsylvania Chamber of Business and Industry

Pennsylvania Foundry Association

Port Townsend Paper Corp.

Portland Cement Association

PPG Industries

Rayonier

Resolute Forest Products

Rock-Tenn Company

Sidney Sugars Incorporated

Society of Chemical Manufacturers and Affiliates

Southeastern Advertising Publishers Association

Southeastern Lumber Manufacturers Association

Southern Minnesota Beet Sugar Cooperative

Southern Pressure Treaters' Association

Southwestern Association of Community Publications

Sugar Cane Growers Cooperative of Florida

Texas Cast Metals Association

Texas Community Newspaper Association

Texas Forestry Association

Treated Wood Council

U.S. Beet Sugar Association

U.S. Chamber of Commerce

Verso Paper Corp.

Western Sugar Cooperative

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Wisconsin Paper Council

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