



## Industrial Energy Consumers of America

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The Honorable Ed Whitfield  
Chairman  
Subcommittee on Energy and Power  
Committee on Energy and Commerce  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515

***Re: IECA Supports H.J. Res 71 and H.J. Res 72***

Dear Chairman Whitfield:

On behalf of the Industrial Energy Consumers of America (IECA), we support passage of H.J. Res 71, "Providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of a rule submitted by the Environmental Protection Agency relating to 'Standards of Performance for Greenhouse Gas Emissions from New, Modified, and Reconstructed Stationary Sources: Electric Utility Generating Units,'" and H.J. Res 72, "Providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of a rule submitted by the Environmental Protection Agency relating to 'Carbon Pollution Emission Guidelines for Existing Stationary Sources: Electric Utility Generating Units.'" It is inconsistent for the Obama Administration to tout support for middle class job creation, while continuing to increase energy costs and barriers to producing manufactured goods in the U.S.

IECA companies are energy-intensive trade-exposed (EITE) industries, which means that relatively small changes to the price of energy can have significant negative impacts to our competitiveness. EITE industries consume 73 percent of the entire manufacturing sector's use of electricity (26% of U.S.), 75 percent of the natural gas (29% of U.S.), and 82 percent of all energy from the manufacturing sector.

We thank you for your leadership on this important legislation and look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

Paul N. Cicio  
President

cc: House Committee on Energy and Commerce

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*The Industrial Energy Consumers of America is a nonpartisan association of leading manufacturing companies with \$1.0 trillion in annual sales, over 2,900 facilities nationwide, and with more than 1.4 million employees worldwide. It is an organization created to promote the interests of manufacturing companies through advocacy and collaboration for which the availability, use and cost of energy, power or feedstock play a significant role in their ability to compete in domestic and world markets. IECA membership represents a diverse set of industries including: chemical, plastics, steel, iron ore, aluminum, paper, food processing, fertilizer, insulation, glass, industrial gases, pharmaceutical, building products, brewing, independent oil refining, and cement.*