

April 19, 2023

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

The Honorable Cathy McMorris Rodgers
Chair
Committee on Energy and Commerce
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Shelley Moore Capito
Ranking Member
Committee on Environment and Public Works
United States Senate
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The Honorable Frank Pallone
Ranking Member
Committee on Energy and Commerce
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairs Carper and McMorris Rodgers and Ranking Members Capito and Pallone:

The undersigned organizations would like to work together with you to improve and pass the Recycling and Composting Accountability Act (RCAA) and the Recycling Infrastructure and Accessibility Act.

Knowing there are concerns with some provisions of the RCAA, we look forward to collaborating with you and all stakeholders to address such challenges and advance this legislation and other policies that prioritize materials neutral, circular approaches to recycling.

The Senate passed these bipartisan bills by unanimous consent in 2022, representing consensus support for meaningful incremental progress on this important issue. Both the Senate and House of Representatives now have the opportunity to advance these bills to promote policies to catalyze the circular economy, and which build on the recycling provisions contained in the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, and EPA's National Recycling Strategy.

Moreover, the data and public-private partnerships resulting from these bills will help improve the accessibility of recycling infrastructure and collection of solid waste in underserved communities across the United States, ultimately reducing waste, fostering economic growth, and protecting the environment.

Please feel free to contact Chuck Chaitovitz, Vice President, Environmental Affairs and Sustainability, U.S. Chamber of Commerce at cchaitovitz@uschamber.com should you require additional information.

Sincerely,

American Chemistry Council
American Forest & Paper Association
Consumer Brands Association
Corn Refiners Association
Glass Packaging Institute
National Waste and Recycling Association

Plant Based Products Council
Plastics Industry Association
The Aluminum Association
U.S. Chamber of Commerce
United States Composting Council