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The Honorable Harry Reid
Majority Leader
522 Senate Hart Office Building
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Dear Majority Leader Reid:

Senators Thomas Carper (D-DE) and Robert Casey (D-PA) are reported to be crafting legislation that might be considered an alternative to Senator Murkowski's S.J. Res.26, a resolution of disapproval that will come before the Senate on or before June 10, 2010. While we appreciate their efforts, any attempt to exempt smaller emitters (companies) from the EPA GHG Tailoring Rule - will create winners and losers within the manufacturing sector and threaten jobs. It will also not address the significant energy costs imposed on electric power generators that will be passed onto us, the consumer. This is not a solution.

As manufacturers whose competitiveness is at stake, we encourage the Senate to not let the EPA usurp Congress's policy-making role by allowing EPA to regulate GHGs. We encourage you to support Senator Murkowski's resolution and to address climate change with a coherent legislative policy approach.

IECA is on record supporting cost effective action that will reduce GHGs through energy efficiency, including several non-cap-and-trade policy options that will increase jobs and competitiveness of the manufacturing sector. IECA continues to work on different approaches for reducing GHG emissions while strengthening US manufacturing. We look forward to sharing these ideas with you at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Paul N. Cicio".

Paul N. Cicio
President

CC: The United States Senate

The Industrial Energy Consumers of America is a nonpartisan association of leading manufacturing companies with \$800 billion in annual sales and with more than 750,000 employees nationwide. It is an organization created to promote the interests of manufacturing companies through research, 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.