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“IECA Welcomes President Obama’s Decision on EPA Ozone Standard”

Washington, D.C. – *The following is a statement by Paul Cicio, President of the Industrial Energy Consumers of America (IECA)*

On behalf of the Industrial Energy Consumers of America (IECA), we welcome President Obama’s decision to ask the EPA to withdraw its proposed ozone standard. This was the right decision at the right time. The proposed EPA standard would have prevented economic growth and jobs at a time when the US economy is struggling.

We appreciate and commend President Obama’s willingness to listen to the concerns of the business community and respond.

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