



## Industrial Energy Consumers of America

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The Honorable John Barrasso  
Chairman  
Committee on Environment and Public Works  
U.S. Senate  
307 Dirksen Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510

***Re: IECA Supports S.J. Res. 11, “A joint resolution providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the final rule of the Bureau of Land Management relating to “Waste Prevention, Production Subject to Royalties, and Resource Conservation.”***

Dear Chairman Barrasso:

On behalf of the Industrial Energy Consumers of America (IECA), we support passage of S.J. Res. 11, “A joint resolution providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the final rule of the Bureau of Land Management relating to “Waste Prevention, Production Subject to Royalties, and Resource Conservation.” IECA is very concerned about the precedent-setting nature of this rule as it could potentially be applied to the manufacturing sector.

The Industrial Energy Consumers of America is a nonpartisan association of leading manufacturing companies with \$1.0 trillion in annual sales and with more than 1.6 million employees worldwide. IECA membership represents a diverse set of industries including: chemicals, plastics, steel, iron ore, aluminum, paper, food processing, fertilizer, insulation, glass, industrial gases, pharmaceutical, building products, automotive, brewing, independent oil refining, and cement.

This is the first rule in history whose benefits are derived entirely from avoided CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent. The rule is counting global benefits at CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent prices that simply do not exist, imposing those costs on domestic business that compete globally, reducing competitiveness. No other country in the world imposes global CO<sub>2</sub> costs on their domestic industries.

Thank you for your leadership on this important issue.

Sincerely,

Paul N. Cicio  
President

cc: U.S. Senate