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The Honorable John A. Boehner
Speaker
U.S. House of Representatives
1011 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Nancy Pelosi
Minority Leader
U.S. House of Representatives
235 Cannon House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

RE: H.R. 4480, the “Domestic Energy and Jobs Act”

Dear Speaker Boehner and Minority Leader Pelosi:

On behalf of the Industrial Energy Consumers of America (IECA), we support the passage of H.R. 4480, the “Domestic Energy and Jobs Act.” Expanding domestic production of energy resources creates jobs and increases the affordability of energy for the manufacturing sector. Increasing access to federal lands for natural gas and oil drilling and streamlining permit requirements will support increased domestic production. IECA supports an “all-of-the-above” approach for energy production that includes natural gas, oil, coal and renewable energy.

Industrial Energy Consumers of America is a nonpartisan association of leading manufacturing companies with \$700 billion in annual sales and with more than 650,000 employees nationwide. IECA membership represents a diverse set of industries including: chemicals, plastics, cement, paper, food processing, brick, fertilizer, insulation, iron and steel, glass, industrial gases, pharmaceutical, aluminum and brewing.

The manufacturing sector consumes one-third of U.S. natural gas and electricity production. Our competitiveness is dependent upon a robust, diverse and affordable supply of energy that allows us to compete globally.

We believe the “Domestic Energy and Jobs Act” is a step in the right direction. Thank you for your leadership on this important legislation.

Sincerely,

Paul N. Cicio
President