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The Honorable John Barrasso
Chairman
Committee on Environment & Public Works
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Thomas Carper
Ranking Member
Committee on Environment & Public Works
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April 3, 2020

Dear Chairman Barrasso and Ranking Member Carper:

I am writing to you on behalf of the Green Mechanical Council regarding *The American Innovation and Manufacturing Act of 2019* (AIM Act) (S.2754). The Green Mechanical Council is an association of more than 340,000 individuals, representing those who manufacture, design, build, install, maintain, and service the energy efficient and environmentally responsible mechanical systems built or retrofitted into today's commercial, industrial, and residential structures. The provisions of the AIM Act are desperately needed to ensure that our industry is not left behind or lost to the global market. The AIM Act can provide vital stability to the entire HVACR industry through the creation of 33,000 new jobs and by sustaining 138,400 existing jobs. It can also increase direct U.S. manufacturing output by \$12.5 billion and boost exports by 25 percent. The HVACR industry currently employs millions of workers and contributes billions to the U.S. economy. The projected growth of our industry, in jobs and dollars, can only be realized through passage of the AIM Act.

The AIM Act will put a stop to a potentially illegal and definitively harmful practice by foreign competitors in China known as "dumping," whereby inferior products and equipment are exported to the United States and priced significantly below the cost of manufacture. This practice is intended to kill American jobs, close American factories, and bankrupt American companies. Complaints to various trade bodies have proven ineffective; by contrast the AIM Act would allow the federal government to put an immediate end to this harmful practice.

Currently, our country is grappling with the coronavirus, which is having a devastating impact on U.S. jobs and our economy. Passage of the AIM Act would be a shining example of leadership and provide clarity in an otherwise cloudy and uncertain time in our lives. On behalf of the Green Mechanical Council and the 300,000 individuals in the HVACR workforce that we represent, we urge you to support the AIM Act and act to ensure its swift passage as soon as may be possible this year.

Sincerely,

Renee Tomlinson

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The Honorable Shelley Moore Capito
The Honorable Kevin Cramer
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