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United States Capitol  
Washington, DC 20510

To the Members of the U.S. Senate:

In recent years, manufacturers have been forced to grapple with serious economic headwinds and often overwhelming regulations from Washington, D.C. That burden has been especially heavy for small and medium sized manufacturers, which account for 98.5 percent of all manufacturers in the U.S.

The nomination of Linda McMahon to lead the Small Business Administration (SBA) is welcomed by the manufacturing industry as Mrs. McMahon herself is a successful entrepreneur and champion of pro-growth policies. Most importantly, she understands what makes the difference between small businesses' success and failure. Small and medium sized manufacturers need an advocate like Mrs. McMahon at the table when important economic decisions are being made that affect their ability to compete, expand into new markets and hire more workers.

Small and medium sized manufacturers also need a strong voice within the SBA to comment on new regulatory actions that might negatively impact small businesses, a role that has been crucial to small business owners in recent years as they have had to push back against rising regulatory burdens. Additionally, manufacturers believe that Mrs. McMahon will help ensure the effectiveness and usefulness of SBA programs that provide access to credit when traditional lending options are unavailable and sufficient access to federal procurement opportunities.

We encourage senators to confirm Linda McMahon swiftly and without delay. The sooner she gets to work, the sooner we can strengthen small business and manufacturing in the United States.

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