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Auto Suppliers, Emission Control Companies Want Coordination by All Agencies

Major U.S. employers want EPA, NHTSA and California at the table to prevent market uncertainty

WASHINGTON (April 2, 2018) – Groups representing America's auto parts makers, advanced materials manufacturers and emission control companies have outlined principles for moving forward with fuel economy and emissions standards that allow for companies to remain competitive and invest in the development of new technologies.

"Coordination among agencies and stakeholders on long-term, consistent standards is key to sustaining the strong manufacturing growth we have seen in the industry," said Ann Wilson, Senior Vice President of Government Affairs for the Motor & Equipment Manufacturers Association (MEMA). "Our goal is to ensure that the U.S. is a leader in technologies that meet light-duty fuel economy and emission standards here and around the globe while providing affordable vehicles to the consumer."

The **Automotive Technology Leadership Group** (ATLG), which consists of MEMA, the Manufacturers of Emission Controls Association (MECA), The Aluminum Association, the Advanced Engine Systems Institute (AESI) and The Emission Control Technology Association (ECTA), is calling for continued engagement among the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, the Environmental Protection Agency, automakers, technology and materials suppliers, the State of California, Section 177 states and other relevant stakeholders to ensure clear and predictable standards that allow companies to continue investing with confidence. You can read their statement of principles here.

"We want to deliver advanced emission control and efficient propulsion technologies to the market," said Dr. Rasto Brezny, Executive Director of MECA. "But we need all agencies to come to together on a set of consistent, national targets so favorable economies of scale can insure the most cost-effective technology solutions. Certainty on national fuel economy and GHG policies will allow suppliers to make investments in research and manufacturing that lead to more jobs and more innovation for the long term."

These organizations and their members represent a significant amount of investment for the U.S. and global economy. The motor vehicle supplier industry contributes nearly 2.4 percent of U.S. GDP and employs 871,000 people, up 19 percent since 2012. The emission control technology market for new light-duty and heavy-duty vehicles in North America was approximately $20 billion in 2017 (as part of an overall global market of $95 billion). The aluminum industry in the U.S. directly employs 161,000 workers and generates $75 billion in economic activity.

“In recent years, due to fuel economy, safety and performance benefits of aluminum, demand for our products and jobs in our industry steadily grew. We want to continue this forward momentum,” said Heidi Brock, President and CEO of the Association. “Without coordination and consistency, we risk falling behind in a global marketplace that is demanding safer, cleaner and more efficient vehicles.”

“We believe substantial revisions to the existing standards could create market uncertainty and risk delays in investment and job creation,” said Chris Miller, Executive Director of AESI, a trade association of pollution control and efficiency technology companies. “As the agencies move forward to reconsider the standards, we ask that it be an open, transparent and data-driven process.”

“Stable environmental policies create jobs and stimulate the economy,” said Tim Regan, president of ECTA. “Our policymakers have done it before. They can come together again on standards that spur innovation and competition, creating hundreds of thousands of jobs.”

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- **Advanced Engine Systems Institute** is a trade association of companies that manufacture vehicle pollution control and efficiency equipment and technologies.
- **The Aluminum Association** represents aluminum production and jobs in the United States, ranging from primary production to value added products to recycling, as well as suppliers to the industry.
- **The Emission Control Technology Association** represents the world’s leading developers of emission-control technology.
- **Manufacturers of Emission Controls Association** member companies include leading manufacturers of emission control and efficiency technology for all mobile sources.
- **Motor & Equipment Manufacturers Association** represents more than 1,000 companies that manufacture motor vehicle components, systems and materials for use in passenger cars and heavy trucks.