June 20, 2012

The Honorable Daniel Lipinski
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC  20515

The Honorable Adam Kinzinger
U.S. House of Representatives
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Dear Congressmen Lipinski and Kinzinger:

On behalf of One Voice, the joint effort between the National Tooling and Machining Association (NTMA) and the Precision Metalforming Association (PMA), and our nearly 3,000 metalworking member companies, thank you for your leadership and continued efforts to address the issues facing businesses manufacturing in America. Your introduction of H.R. 5865, the American Manufacturing Competitiveness Act, is an important step in developing a cohesive national manufacturing strategy to support the growth and improvement of manufacturers across the country.

Manufacturing businesses employ nearly 12 million Americans and represent more than 10 percent of our entire economy, and is vital for the future of our economic and national security. In order to revitalize American manufacturing, we need our own national pro-manufacturing strategy to advance policies that will enhance U.S. industrial competitiveness. The American Manufacturing Competitiveness Act will put in place a process to promote policies to support a strong, vibrant national manufacturing base. It is a crucial first step to revitalize American manufacturing.

Thank you for your consideration and your leadership on behalf of the metalworking industry.

Sincerely,

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