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To All Members of the U.S. House of Representatives

Dear Representative,

The National Roofing Contractors Association (NRCA) strongly supports the “Regulations from the Executive in Need of Scrutiny (REINS) Act of 2013” (H.R. 367) and urges you to support this legislation when it comes to the House floor for a vote.

Established in 1886, NRCA is one of the nation’s oldest trade associations and the voice of professional roofing contractors worldwide. NRCA has approximately 4,000 contractors in all 50 states who are typically small, privately held companies, with the average member employing 45 people and attaining sales of about \$4.5 million per year.

The roofing industry has faced an avalanche of new regulations from numerous government agencies in recent years, and more regulations are on the horizon. The cumulative burden of counter-productive regulations is highly disruptive to entrepreneurs that seek to start or grow a business. Most importantly, federal agencies have failed to work with industry representatives in order to provide greater flexibility for employers in achieving regulatory goals and minimizing adverse impacts on economic growth and job creation.

NRCA strongly supports regulatory reform in order to provide small and mid-sized businesses with much-needed relief from burdensome regulations. The REINS Act is a key component of regulatory relief. It would require Congress to approve, with an up-or-down vote, any new major regulation issued by a federal agency before the regulation would become effective. Under the REINS Act, a major regulation is defined as any rule that 1) is estimated to have an economic impact of at least \$100 million on the private sector, 2) would result in a major increase in costs or prices and 3) would have significant adverse effects on competition, employment, investment, productivity, or U.S. competitiveness.

NRCA believes that the REINS Act would substantially increase accountability among federal agencies seeking to issue new regulations by requiring that major regulations undergo a vote in Congress to become effective. Enactment of this legislation would help provide employers with the certainty they need to create jobs and get our economy back on track.

NRCA supports H.R. 367 and urges you to vote for this legislation in the House. If you have questions or need more information, please contact Duane Musser, NRCA's vice president of government relations, at 202-546-7584 or dmusser@nrca.net.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Nelson R. Braddy Jr." The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized initial 'N'.

Nelson R. Braddy Jr.
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