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Re: Please Vote "No" on Solar Tariff Moratorium Repeal (S.J.Res.15)

On behalf of the undersigned organizations, we are writing to express our opposition to Senate Joint Resolution 15, which would overturn the Biden Administration's tariff moratorium on solar modules manufactured in Cambodia, Malaysia, Thailand, and Vietnam. This 2-year moratorium was implemented last September in response to the U.S. Department of Commerce's solar circumvention inquiry, and will allow time for domestic manufacturing to rapidly grow following passage of the Inflation Reduction Act.

This measure, and the retroactive tariffs it imposes, would have a devastating impact on U.S. solar deployment. At a time when many new solar projects have been delayed due to a shortage of photovoltaic panels, this resolution would exacerbate the problem, putting tens of thousands of good-paying jobs at risk, dramatically increasing CO2 emissions, and seriously undermining the success of the IRA even as scientists' warnings about the impacts of global climate change are increasingly dire.

Our organizations heartily support the effort to dramatically increase the manufacturing of solar modules, cells, and other components in the United States. Thankfully, key provisions of the IRA are working to significantly grow the domestic supply chain of crucial solar components in the coming years. But with current U.S. solar manufacturing capacity only able to meet only one-third of domestic demand, the industry needs time to scale. The imposition of retroactive tariffs will not speed this transition and will create needless market uncertainty further hampering our ability to meet the nation's decarbonization goals. President Biden's two-year tariff moratorium is a practical compromise that allows continued access to imported components, and accelerated progress toward the clean energy transition, while domestic manufacturing ramps up.

We therefore respectfully urge a NO vote on S.J.Res.15.

Thank you for your attention to this critical issue.

Sincerely,

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