



ACC and SOCMA Released Statements on Trump Election

US EPA, TSCA

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Meagan Parrish, editor of **Chem Info**¹⁾, reported on how two of America's top chemical industry associations—the American Chemistry Council (ACC) and the Society of Chemical Manufacturers and Affiliates (SOCMA)—view the election of Donald Trump.

Below are excerpts from statements released by the groups:

The American Chemistry Council²⁾ The **passage of the Lautenberg Chemical Safety Act**³⁾ earlier this year with overwhelming support reflects that Congress understands that an effective and reliable chemical regulatory system is essential to the success of American manufacturers. We look forward to working with the new administration as it carries forward the **implementation of the LCSA**⁴⁾ so EPA proceeds in a way that will promote safety and innovation.

As one of our nation's **largest exporting industries (pdf)**⁵⁾, robust **trade**⁶⁾ in raw materials and finished products helps fuel the growth of our sector here at home. The \$175 billion in investment in new factories and expanded production capacity by chemical producers, thanks to domestic shale gas, has positioned the U.S. to substantially grow its role as a premier supplier of essential materials for markets around the world, but reaching that potential will require sound **trade**⁶⁾ frameworks. We agree that **trade**⁶⁾ should be fair, and also know firsthand that **trade**⁶⁾ can unlock potential in our economy and create jobs here at home. We hope to work with Congress and the Trump administration to chart a path forward on **trade**⁶⁾ that will help American businesses thrive and benefit American workers.

The Society of Chemical Manufacturers and Affiliates⁸⁾ Trade is critical to the continued success of our country's specialty chemical industry and continued American leadership around the world. The chemical manufacturing sector is one of America's top exporting industries. SOCMA would like to work with the Administration to ensure there is open and fair **trade**⁷⁾ that levels the playing field, particularly for our small and medium-sized manufacturers who are competing globally, and address barriers that impede the ability of U.S. specialty chemical manufacturers from growing their businesses.

In 2016, Congress passed important and historic Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) reform legislation, and we look forward to working with the Administration and team at the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to build on the good work that has been done to date. We especially would like to see that implementation is done in a thoughtful and productive way.

SOCMA will actively work with Congress and the Administration to continue to grow the specialty

chemical industry and to create jobs and opportunities for the American public.

Resources for this article

1. Chem Info

<http://www.chem.info/news/2016/11/how-chemical-industry-trade-groups-are-reacting-trumps-win>

2. The American Chemistry Council

<https://www.americanchemistry.com/Media/PressReleasesTranscripts/ACC-news-releases/ACC-Comments-on-Results-of-2016-US-Elections.html>

3. passage of the Lautenberg Chemical Safety Act

<https://www.americanchemistry.com/Media/PressReleasesTranscripts/ACC-news-releases/President-Signs-Bipartisan-TSCA-Reform-Historic-Environmental-Legislation.html>

4. implementation of the LCSA

<https://www.americanchemistry.com/Policy/Chemical-Management/LCSA.html>

5. largest exporting industries (pdf)

<https://prop65clearinghouse.com/documents/19161>

6. trade

<https://www.americanchemistry.com/Policy/Trade/>

7. The Society of Chemical Manufacturers and Affiliates

<http://www.socma.com/article/id/4204/socma-pledges-to-work-with-new-administration-to-advance-issues-important-to-specialty-chemical-industry>