

North American Plastics Industry Applauds Signing of USMCA

WASHINGTON, D.C.—November 30, 2018—The [Plastics Industry Association](#) (PLASTICS), the [Canadian Plastics Industry Association](#) (CPIA) and the [Asociación Nacional de Industrias del Plástico](#) (ANIPAC) issued the following joint statement after the signing of the U.S.-Mexico-Canada Agreement (USMCA) today at the 2018 G20 Buenos Aires Summit.

“The North American plastics industry has stood shoulder-to-shoulder throughout the process of renegotiating the rules and policies that govern trade between our three nations.

Today, we applaud the work of negotiators from the U.S., Mexico and Canada on the signing of a new, modernized trade agreement that sets the stage for greater certainty throughout the continent—certainty that will support continued business growth and innovation for the plastics industries of each party to the agreement. The USMCA makes crucial upgrades and updates to the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) that will enable the world’s strongest trilateral trade relationship to become even stronger.

We urge the legislatures of the U.S., Canada and Mexico to ratify this agreement and give the industry the certainty it needs to hire new workers and invest in the future, safe in the knowledge that North America once again has a vibrant, reliable trade regime to build on.”

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About the Plastics Industry Association (PLASTICS)

The Plastics Industry Association (PLASTICS), formerly SPI, is the only organization that supports the entire plastics supply chain, representing nearly one million workers in the \$418 billion U.S. industry. Since 1937, PLASTICS has been working to make its members and the industry more globally competitive while advancing recycling and sustainability. To learn more about PLASTICS’ education initiatives, industry-leading insights and events, networking opportunities and policy advocacy, and North America’s largest plastics trade show, [NPE: The Plastics Show](#), visit plasticsindustry.org. Connect with PLASTICS on [Twitter](#), [Facebook](#) and [LinkedIn](#).

About the Canadian Plastics Industry Association (CPIA)

Since 1943, the Canadian Plastics Industry Association has proudly served as the national voice and leader for plastics industry sustainability across Canada, representing the interests of the plastics value chain including resin and raw

material suppliers, processors/converters, equipment suppliers, recyclers and brand owners. Visit www.plastics.ca for more information.

About ANIPAC

[ANIPAC](#) is the voice of the plastics industry in Mexico. Since 1961, ANIPAC has been the most important organization in the sector representing the entire supply chain including producers and distributors of raw materials, recyclers, manufacturers and distributors of machinery and equipment, and transformers of plastic in all its forms. ANIPAC's mission is to promote the comprehensive development of the plastics production chain, generating benefits for its members and ensuring their global competitiveness.