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October 4, 2021

The Honorable Chuck Schumer
Majority Leader
U.S. Senate
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Nancy Pelosi
Speaker
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Mitch McConnell
Minority Leader
U.S. Senate
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Kevin McCarthy
Minority Leader
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Majority Leader Schumer, Minority Leader McConnell, Speaker Pelosi and Minority Leader McCarthy,

We write to you as companies in the value chain of the American plastics industry to express our concerns with the proposed 20 cent per pound tax on virgin plastic resin. We manufacture the products, materials, and machines that would be impacted by this new massive tax and it will be devastating to our industry and our workers.

As manufacturers deemed essential from the start of the pandemic, we have continued to operate and supply America and the world with important products needed in daily life. This past year and a half have been a challenge, but we are proud to say we have risen to the occasion. To now see a potential 20 cent per pound tax on resin being proposed and potentially passed without even a debate is disheartening.

Our companies almost all use recycled plastic. Some of us produce it. But we all believe that using more is necessary. We are committed to increasing the amount of recycled plastic and support reasonable measures to encourage its use. Unfortunately, simply slapping a new tax on virgin resin and expecting significant change ignores the fact that the supply of recycled plastic is limited—especially for food contact applications. That supply constraint would make this tax unavoidable and mean billions in higher costs for our customers, tighter margins across the industry, and safe to assume tens of thousands of manufacturing jobs will be lost.

We are also concerned about the competitive disadvantage at which this will put American manufacturers. The complicated mechanism prescribed in this measure to enforce a tax on imports based on the weight of virgin resin included in finished products will only result in more of those products being made in other countries.

We strongly urge you to set aside the concept of a resin tax from the discussions surrounding the reconciliation package and potential revenue sources. We would welcome public hearings on the use of recycled content and a robust discussion about how we can further the public/private partnership that already exists in recycling. But at this time, please oppose the proposed resin tax.

Sincerely,

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Eastman Chemical Company	NOVA Chemicals Corporation	Yushin America
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CC: All Members of Congress