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Dear Chairmen Inhofe and Shuster, and Ranking Members Boxer and DeFazio:

The undersigned organizations congratulate and thank you for completing the conference on S. 612, the *Water Infrastructure Improvements for the Nation Act*,” (WIIN Act). The WIIN Act provides a much-needed path forward to keep America’s economy competitive through its reauthorization of the Army Corps of Engineers’ (Army Corps) Civil Works programs related to navigation, flood risk management, recreation, infrastructure and environmental stewardship. We strongly support passage of this bill.

Our industries play a vital role in our nation’s prosperity and international competitiveness as we provide the construction materials and equipment essential to building America’s roads, highways, bridges, dams and ports. Without the products and services that we provide, many of the projects the WIIN Act authorizes would not be possible. The WIIN Act provides the nation with a much-needed vehicle for economic growth and an opportunity to build the necessary infrastructure for the 21st century.

This bill will help ensure the Army Corps’ ability to effectively expedite projects, prioritize investments, provide resilience, protect communities and maintain our nation’s waterways, ports, channels, dams and levees. Finally, the WIIN Act will help create American jobs and ensure long-term economic productivity and quality of life enhancements that result from water resources infrastructure investments.

Thank you so much for your hard work on this critical legislation, and we encourage the House and Senate to adopt the Conference Report quickly.

Sincerely,

American Coal Ash Association
American Traffic Safety Services Association
Association of Equipment Manufacturers
National Asphalt Pavement Association
National Stone, Sand & Gravel Association
Precast/Prestressed Concrete Institute

American Concrete Pavement Association
Associated Equipment Distributors
Concrete Reinforcing Steel Institute
National Ready Mixed Concrete Association
Portland Cement Association