

January 29, 2025

The Honorable John Thune Majority Leader United States Senate Washington, D.C. 20510 The Honorable Chuck Schumer Minority Leader United States Senate Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Majority Leader Thune and Minority Leader Schumer:

On behalf of the Plastics Industry Association (PLASTICS) and its 800+ members across the United States, I am pleased to offer our full support for the nomination of the Honorable Lee Zeldin to serve as Administrator of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

As a former member of both the New York State Senate and the United States House of Representatives, Mr. Zeldin has a proven track record of legislative accomplishments. Throughout his distinguished career, Mr. Zeldin has exemplified the art of common sense, solutions-based legislating.

During his tenure as the Representative for New York's First Congressional District, Mr. Zeldin worked to balance thoughtful and responsible environmental policy while championing business and strong economic growth. It is in this spirit of practical governance that PLASTICS looks forward to working with Mr. Zeldin to protect, promote, and grow the plastics industry as we continue to make investments in sustainability and circularity throughout the supply chain.

The Plastics Industry Association is the only organization that represents the entire plastics supply chain including equipment suppliers, material suppliers, processors, and recyclers. As the 8th largest U.S. manufacturing industry, the plastics industry employs over one million workers across the country and represents more than \$519 billion in economic impact. It is on behalf of our membership that we look forward to working in collaboration with the EPA.

Mr. Zeldin is exceptionally qualified to serve as the next Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency. The Plastics Industry Association strongly endorses Mr. Zeldin's nomination and encourages a swift, bipartisan confirmation vote in the Senate.

Sincerely,

Matt Seaholm

President and Chief Executive Officer

Plastics Industry Association

CC: Members of the Unites States Senate