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The Honorable Pat Roberts
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Roberts:

The U.S. Chamber of Commerce, the world's largest business federation representing the interests of more than three million businesses of all sizes, sectors, and regions, as well as state and local chambers and industry associations, and dedicated to promoting, protecting, and defending America's free enterprise system, commends you for introducing the "Regulatory Responsibility for our Economy Act of 2015." This legislation would take important steps toward restraining excessive agency power and promoting sound regulatory policy.

The only way to have sound regulations is for agencies to carefully consider their regulatory actions. By taking steps such as conducting cost-benefit analyses and considering the cost of regulatory alternatives, agencies could reduce the burden on businesses while more effectively achieving regulatory objectives. Further, many existing regulations are outdated or have proven to be ineffective. Agencies should eliminate or modify these flawed or outdated regulations on a periodic basis.

The Regulatory Responsibility for our Economy Act would take these common-sense steps. The Chamber looks forward to working with you on regulatory reform and this important legislation.

Sincerely,



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