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Chairman Crawford, Ranking Member Holmes Norton and Members of the U.S. House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure Subcommittee on Highways and Transit:

On behalf of Associated Builders and Contractors, a national construction industry trade association with 68 chapters representing more than 23,000 members, I write today to thank you for holding a Hearing on the Implementation of Buy America Provisions of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act. ABC urges the subcommittee to continue to weigh the impacts of these requirements to workers, small businesses, and the success of infrastructure projects funded by this bill.

While ABC supports strategies to expand domestic jobs and manufacturing to avoid global supply chain disruptions and capture economic benefits within America, ABC continues to have concerns regarding  
ent requirements.

Enacted in November 2021, the \$1.2 trillion Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act expanded and made significant changes to Buy America requirements for federally funded infrastructure projects. The IIJA requires the following Buy America preferences and broadens the preferences to include nonferrous metals, such as copper used in electric wiring; plastic- and polymer-based products; glass,

In 2023, ABC [commented](#) on the proposed guidance to urge OMB to balance Buy America requirements with safeguards against increased costs and delays of infrastructure projects funded by