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Dear SWPA Congressional Delegation Members:

On behalf of the Greater Pittsburgh Chamber of Commerce – an affiliate of the Allegheny Conference – I respectfully request your support on several key policy issues in the lame-duck session. We are supportive of the Water Resources Development Act (WRDA) reauthorization, a final product on energy modernization, reauthorization of the Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Act, and passage of a legislative fix to the current standoff on board approvals for the Export-Import Bank of the United States.

Attached is an article I authored in the Pittsburgh Business Times that outlines why these priorities are important to our region. While much attention will understandably move to preparing for 2017, I am hopeful our delegation leads the charge to finalize these policies. I ask that you work with your congressional colleagues to move these across the finish line.

Thank you for your work on behalf of our region.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Matt Smith", is written over a horizontal line.

Matt Smith
President, Greater Pittsburgh Chamber of Commerce