



February 1, 2023

The Honorable Sam Graves
Chairman
Committee on Transportation
and Infrastructure
U.S. House of Representatives
1135 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rick Larsen
Ranking Member
Committee on Transportation
and Infrastructure
U.S. House of Representatives
2163 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

RE: Full Committee Hearing - The State of Transportation Infrastructure and Supply Chain Challenges

Dear Chairman Graves and Ranking Member Larsen:

The National Demolition Association (NDA) represents nearly 500 U.S. and Canadian companies that offer standard demolition services as well as a full range of demolition-related services and products. NDA educates members on the latest advances in equipment and services, provides educational programs and tools to stay abreast of regulatory and safety matters and keeps regulators informed about issues in our industry. NDA also increases public awareness of the economic and societal benefits of demolition.

Like many small businesses, demolition contractors were acutely impacted by the economic downturn caused by the COVID-19 pandemic and subsequent supply chain disruptions that still affect the demolition industry today. As the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure sets its agenda for the 118th Congress, NDA urges your committee to prioritize bipartisan and commonsense legislation which addresses the nation's supply chain challenges.

NDA believes infrastructure investment is critical to bolstering America's economic recovery and ensuring the nation has a strong and resilient supply chain. NDA supports market-oriented solutions to address supply chain disruptions and strengthen the movement of goods in the United States. NDA urges your committee to work with Biden Administration to examine any existing laws and regulations which are hindering the movement of goods in the construction supply chain. While not an exhaustive list, NDA calls on Congress to support the following policies to help improve America's supply chain:

- Continue to fully fund and support the 2021 Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act;
- Support investments in infrastructure projects, specifically facility rehabilitation, construction and demolition, in schools, hospitals, water/wastewater, electricity, airports and inland waterways, ports and other public facilities;
- Continue to streamline the federal permitting process for infrastructure projects, including the use of concurrent reviews and reasonable time limits for agency decisions. Legislators should encourage similar permitting reforms at the state and local levels;
- Complement and strengthen existing infrastructure tools, such as Private Activity Bonds; and
- Work with the Administration to identify disruptions in the supply chain and seek market-oriented solutions to reduce regulatory roadblocks.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit comments on the critical issues of infrastructure and supply chains. NDA looks forward to working with your committee to address these challenges in a manner that strengthens the demolition industry and U.S. economy. Please contact NDA's Director of Government Affairs Alex McIntyre at amcintyre@demolitionassociation.com with any further questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J. Lambert", written in a cursive style.

Jeff Lambert
Chief Executive Officer
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