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Dear Mr. Conrad:

Thank you for appearing before the Subcommittee on Environment on June 14, 2018, to testify at the hearing entitled "The Chemical Facilities Anti-Terrorism Standards Program (CFATS) – A Progress Report."

Pursuant to the Rules of the Committee on Energy and Commerce, the hearing record remains open for ten business days to permit Members to submit additional questions for the record, which are attached. To facilitate the printing of the hearing record, please respond to these questions with a transmittal letter by the close of business on Monday, July 30, 2018. Your responses should be mailed to Kelly Collins, Legislative Clerk, Committee on Energy and Commerce, 2125 Rayburn House Office Building, Washington, DC 20515 and e-mailed in Word format to kelly.collins@mail.house.gov.

Thank you again for your time and effort preparing and delivering testimony before the Subcommittee.

Sincerely,

John Shimkus

Chairman

Subcommittee on Environment

cc: The Honorable Paul Tonko, Ranking Member, Subcommittee on Environment

Attachment

Attachment-Additional Questions for the Record

The Honorable John Shimkus

- 1. Some groups argue that Congress should mandate the use of inherently safer technology (IST) at CFATS sites. Other people could argue that CFATS already encourages the use of IST. Do you agree?
- 2. Your testimony says SOCMA believes that it is premature to expand PSP to Tier 3 and 4 facilities. You suggest DHS should complete a rigorous assessment, in conjunction with the Department of Justice and the FBI, of the risks avoided and costs imposed by the PSP process.
 - a. Why?
 - b. Is there a precedent for this kind of multi-agency collaboration to understand the costs and benefits of such an expansion?
- 3. Historically, SOCMA members have felt that the CFATS tiering process has been an opaque, black box.
 - a. Has the new CSAT 2.0 improved this issue for SOCMA members?
 - b. If not, what would SOCMA members need.