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October 31, 2025

The Honorable Bruce Westerman
Chairman
Committee on Natural Resources
U.S. House of Representatives
1324 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Westerman,


Riggs CAT is writing to express our strong support for H.R. 4776, the *Standardizing Permitting and Expediting Economic Development (SPEED) Act*, which you have sponsored. This important bipartisan legislation represents a meaningful step toward improving efficiency and accountability in the federal permitting process—an issue that directly affects the timely delivery of critical infrastructure and energy projects across our nation.

For nearly a century, Riggs CAT has proudly served Arkansas by providing the equipment and services that power construction, energy, and infrastructure development. We have seen firsthand how delays and uncertainty in the permitting process can increase costs and slow progress for businesses and communities alike. The reforms outlined in the SPEED Act would help ensure that federal review processes are transparent, predictable, and coordinated across agencies.

By streamlining review timelines, reducing redundant procedures, and aligning permitting requirements with recent judicial guidance, this legislation would allow public and private partners to move projects forward more efficiently—without compromising environmental stewardship. These updates would help maximize the impact of federal investments in infrastructure and energy, benefiting both economic growth and the communities we serve.

Riggs CAT appreciates your leadership and commitment to advancing practical, bipartisan reforms that strengthen America's competitiveness. We look forward to supporting your continued efforts to move this important legislation forward.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "G.A. Cress", with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

George A. Cress
President and CEO
Riggs CAT