## **Seaman Corporation**

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United States House of Representatives Committee on Natural Resources Washington, DC 20515

Dear Members of the House Committee on Natural Resources,

On behalf of Seaman Corporation, I encourage you to vote "yes" on the Standardizing Permitting and Expediting Economic Development Act, or SPEED Act, when it is brought before this Committee for markup. Seaman Corporation applauds this bipartisan effort to advance critical permitting reforms so manufacturers and the diverse industries that rely on them—including construction, roofing, transportation, energy, and defense—can build in America and compete globally.

Seaman Corporation is a multi-generational, family-owned American manufacturer headquartered in Wooster, Ohio, producing world-class engineered fabrics and protective solutions used in roofing, geomembranes, architectural structures, military applications, and critical infrastructure worldwide. For more than 75 years, we have invested in domestic manufacturing, sustained hundreds of high-quality jobs in rural communities, and maintained U.S.–based operations to ensure reliability for our customers and federal partners.

Modern, predictable, and transparent permitting processes are essential for Seaman Corporation as we expand production capacity, deploy new technologies, and meet growing demand across commercial, industrial, and defense markets. Long, uncertain, and inconsistent permitting timelines jeopardize investment, delay job-creating projects, and hinder our ability to compete globally against foreign producers. That is why Seaman Corporation strongly supports congressional action to streamline permitting, reduce duplicative reviews, and provide manufacturers with the certainty needed to plan multi-year capital investments here in the United States.

1000 VENTURE BLVD, WOOSTER, OHIO 44691 PHONE 330.262.1111 FAX 330.263.6950 Seaman Corporation has long supported commonsense, bipartisan permitting reforms to improve how we make and build things here in America. It is imperative that industry is given the necessary clarity and guardrails to invest and grow in America, all while maintaining public input and safeguarding our environment.

The SPEED Act provides this clarity by aligning statute with Supreme Court precedent, providing permitting certainty between administrations, codifying much-needed reforms to the judicial review process, and clarifying that NEPA is a procedural statute whose intent can be satisfied by other federal environmental permitting statutes. These reforms will make it easier and more cost-effective for our company and our customers to get shovels in the ground on job-creating projects—and, as a result, this bill will strengthen manufacturing in America.

Thank you for your consideration. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Deborah Mazol, Director of Government Affairs at Seaman Corporation, at dmazol@seamancorp.com or 202-906-9431.

Sincerely,

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