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The Honourable Dalton McGuinty  
Premier of Ontario  
Legislative Building  
Queen's Park  
Toronto, ON M7A 1A1

Dear Premier McGuinty,

We are writing on behalf of businesses across Canada that are now being excluded from state and local procurement markets in the United States as a result of Buy American provisions contained in recent legislation.

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, which became law in February, requires all iron, steel, and manufactured goods procured for public works funded under the Act to be made in the United States. We are now seeing similar restrictions appear in other bills before the United States Congress.

Canadian manufacturers of steel and other construction materials, water and wastewater treatment technologies, heating and ventilation systems, energy technologies, and medical devices are currently being hurt by Buy American restrictions.