

February 1, 2016

The Honorable Mitch McConnell  
Majority Leader  
United States Senate

The Honorable Harry Reid  
Minority Leader  
United States Senate

**Sensible Accounting to Value Energy (SAVE) Act**

Dear Senators McConnell and Reid,

The undersigned group of manufacturers, builders, business groups, state entities and energy efficiency advocates write today to express our support for the Sensible Accounting to Value Energy Act, or SAVE Act, to be included as Amendment 3042 to the Energy Policy Modernization Act of 2016. This amendment would seek to improve the energy efficiency of homes by providing a voluntary means of financing energy efficient features and improving the accuracy of mortgage underwriting by the Federal Housing Administration (FHA).

Manufacturers and builders are continually innovating new energy efficient products and features, but current mortgage underwriting processes and appraisals do not fully consider the costs and value of energy efficient features in a home. Therefore these money and energy saving features are not making their way into new homes. Passing the SAVE Act will unlock demand for innovative new products and significantly reduce homeowners' utility bills.

With no federal budget costs, mandates, or bureaucracies, the SAVE Act would bring transparency, accuracy, and security to the home appraisal and mortgage underwriting processes, help finance energy efficient homes and retrofits, and create vitally needed jobs in local markets.

Given the SAVE Act's benefits for the economy, jobs, American manufacturing, and consumers, the undersigned members of the coalition ask for your support of this important legislation. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

ABB  
Alliance to Save Energy  
American Chemistry Council  
American Council for an Energy-Efficient Economy  
ASHRAE  
BASF Corporation  
Business Council for Sustainable Energy  
CertainTeed  
Covestro

Efficiency First  
Elevate Energy  
EnergyLogic Inc.  
Environmental and Energy Study Institute  
Environmental Defense Fund  
Extreme Panel Technologies  
Green Builder Coalition  
Green Builder Media  
GreenHome Institute  
Home Performance Coalition  
Insulation Contractors Association of America  
International Code Council  
Johns Manville  
Knauf Insulation  
Leading Builders of America  
LTLB Envirotecture  
LTLB Renovate  
National Association of Home Builders  
National Association of Manufacturers  
National Association of State Energy Officials  
National Association of the Remodeling Industry  
National Housing Trust  
Natural Resources Defense Council  
North American Insulation Manufacturers Association  
Owens Corning  
Passive House Institute US  
PFB Corporation  
PorterWorks  
Residential Energy Services Network  
Roxul  
South-central Partnership for Energy Efficiency as a Resource  
Southern Energy Management  
The Real Estate Roundtable  
U.S. Chamber of Commerce  
U.S. Green Building Council  
Window and Door Manufacturers Association

cc: Members of the Senate Committee on Energy & Natural Resources  
Senator Johnny Isakson  
Senator Michael Bennet