



# Statement

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## ACC SUPPORTS LEGISLATION TO IMPROVE TRANSPARENCY OF SCIENCE BEHIND EPA REGULATIONS

WASHINGTON (November 18, 2014) – *The American Chemistry Council (ACC) issued the following statement reiterating its support for H.R. 4012, the “Secret Science Reform Act of 2014,” in advance of this week’s vote in the U.S. House of Representatives:*

“High quality science and transparency must be at the core of federal regulations aimed to protect human health and the environment. This legislation will increase the utility and strengthen the foundation of EPA’s rules by improving the disclosure of information underpinning the Agency’s decisions. The bill will also help foster the kind of regulatory environment that allows our members to continue to invest in the U.S. economy and develop transformational, innovative products.

“We believe that this legislation will lead to a better understanding of how EPA develops its regulations. We urge members to vote in favor of H.R. 4012 when it comes to the House floor.”

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*The American Chemistry Council (ACC) represents the leading companies engaged in the business of chemistry. ACC members apply the science of chemistry to make innovative products and services that make people’s lives better, healthier and safer. ACC is committed to improved environmental, health and safety performance through Responsible Care®, common sense advocacy designed to address major public policy issues, and health and environmental research and product testing. The business of chemistry is an \$812 billion enterprise and a key element of the nation’s economy. It is the nation’s largest exporter, accounting for twelve percent of all U.S. exports. Chemistry companies are among the largest investors in research and development. Safety and security have always been primary concerns of ACC members, and they have intensified their efforts, working closely with government agencies to improve security and to defend against any threat to the nation’s critical infrastructure.*

