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REVISED DRAFT BILL IN U.S. HOUSE BUILDS ON MOMENTUM TO REFORM TSCA

WASHINGTON (May 13, 2015) – *The U.S. House Energy and Commerce Subcommittee on the Environment and the Economy today released an updated draft of the “TSCA Modernization Act of 2015,” its draft legislation to reform key aspects of the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA). The Subcommittee has scheduled a markup for Thursday, May 14.*

American Chemistry Council (ACC) President and CEO Cal Dooley issued the following statement regarding this significant announcement:

“I commend Chairman Shimkus for his leadership and continued commitment to advance legislation to update TSCA. ACC appreciates the inclusive, bipartisan process Chairmen Upton and Shimkus along with Ranking Members Pallone and Tonko have led to get us to this critical point. The result is a balanced, pragmatic draft bill that will help bring TSCA into the 21st Century by addressing key aspects of the law that industry, environmental and public health groups all agree need to be improved.

“The release of the new draft ‘TSCA Modernization Act’ and Thursday’s markup will continue to build momentum for TSCA reform. The House draft and the Senate bill that has passed with bipartisan support out of the Environment and Public Works Committee complement each other and provide a path forward to passage of TSCA reform this year. We look forward to Thursday’s Subcommittee markup and urge swift consideration of the legislation by the full Committee and the House.”

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