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SENATE CONFIRMATION OF WHEELER PROVIDES AMERICAN PEOPLE AND BUSINESSES CERTAINTY AND CONFIDENCE

WASHINGTON (February 28, 2019) – *The American Chemistry Council (ACC) issued the following statement following the Senate’s vote to confirm Andrew Wheeler as administrator of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency:*

“The Senate’s vote to confirm Andrew Wheeler as EPA administrator provides the American people and regulated communities with more certainty and confidence in the agency’s ability to continue meeting its mission of protecting human health and the environment, including the ongoing implementation of the 2016 amendments to the Toxic Substances Control Act as Congress envisioned.

“Administrator Wheeler’s considerable experience in the environmental field, his past public service to our nation in the legislative and executive branches and his service as acting administrator make him an excellent choice to continue leading the agency.”

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