

July 13, 2026

The Honorable Brett Guthrie
Chairman
Committee on Energy and Commerce
US House of Representatives
2125 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Frank Pallone
Ranking Member
Committee on Energy and Commerce
US House of Representatives
2323 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Re: The Recycled Materials Attribution Act of 2026

Dear Chairman Guthrie, Ranking Member Pallone, and Members of the Committee:

We, the undersigned organizations, representing millions of taxpayers and consumers across the nation, write to reiterate our support for the Recycled Materials Attribution Act (RMAA), as introduced by Rep. Nick Langworthy (R-N.Y.) and a bipartisan coalition of representatives. We also urge members to co-sponsor this legislation and to support its introduction in the Senate. The RMAA would provide much-needed clarity for consumers surrounding recycling claims made by businesses. It would also provide regulatory certainty for American innovators.

Currently, recycled content marketing claims are subject to a patchwork of different state regulations. These regulatory frameworks are often contradictory, causing confusion and adding to compliance costs for businesses desiring to be more environmentally conscious. RMAA would create a uniform national framework, easing this burden on business leaders and assuring American consumers are receiving clear, accurate, and consistent information.

The legislation would also provide the first update to the Federal Trade Commission's (FTC) Green Guides since 2012. The FTC Green Guides are meant to prevent deceptive environmental claims by businesses. However, without an update in nearly 15 years, this has merely added to the confusion for American companies.

The RMAA would further clarify that newer, innovative advanced recycling technologies count as recycling. Developments that increase the amount and types of plastic that can be recycled should not be held back by legislative inaction. Passage of this bill will free up companies to become more efficient and environmentally sustainable. These are laudable goals currently within reach.

Recycled content marketing is one of the few industries not authorized to use mass balance as an accounting method to track its claims. Allowing third-party verification would only add to the clarity sought by Americans who want to use as much recycled plastic as possible. Bringing recycling in line with other industries that already are using mass balance is a commonsense solution.

American consumers want clarity on what recycling claims mean on their packaging. Companies want a single, straightforward framework with which they can comply, and which allows the development and implementation of revolutionary technologies. The RMAA provides relief for both groups.

It is for these reasons, among many others, that we, the undersigned groups, urge you to support and co-sponsor the Recycled Materials Attribution Act, as introduced by Rep. Nick Langworthy (R-N.Y.). Thank you for your time and attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Taxpayers Protection Alliance

American Commitment

American Consumer Institute

Americans for Prosperity

Bull Moose Project

Center for Individual Freedom

Consumer Action for a Strong Economy

Consumer Choice Center

Frontiers of Freedom

Hispanic Leadership Fund

National Taxpayers Union

Small Business & Entrepreneurship Council