

June 26, 2024

The Honorable Senator Allen
Chair, Senate Environmental Quality Committee
1021 O Street, Room 3230
Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: AB 2083 (Berman): Industrial facilities' heat application equipment and process emissions – SUPPORT

Dear Chair Allen:

We write to you as California manufacturing businesses that care about climate change and sustainability in support of your AB2083, which will help California and businesses strategically plan to meet the state's existing climate goals.

Industrial emissions account for 23% of California's carbon emissions, second only to the transportation sector. As manufacturers, we want to be able to do our part and produce our products in a sustainable way. Existing laws already require California to reach carbon neutrality by 2045, but fail to provide the pathway that will enable small and mid-size manufacturers to achieve these goals. We need your support to provide resources and tools to make this transition feasible – and AB2083 will help. Identifying the strategies to reduce industrial heat emissions, as well as the opportunities for economic growth by accelerating zero-emission manufacturing in California, will provide meaningful guidance to industry.

We want to create high-quality, low-carbon-impact products. AB2083 will fund the creation of a much-needed study to identify policies, incentives, and programs – including grants and tax credits – that will support us in decarbonizing our manufacturing facilities. For us, clear market signals and certainty are critical for long-term climate and economic success.

If we do not start planning now, we risk a disorderly, expensive, and last minute effort to reduce industrial emissions to meet California's climate goals, and will ultimately disrupt and harm our businesses. We have an opportunity to plan now to bring sustained economic growth to our industries, take critical action on climate change, and reduce air pollution for our most vulnerable communities.

AB2083 is an investment in our future and our economy. We urge the state to pass this bill to help support businesses, communities, and our environment.

Signed,

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Biotic Ferments
Boichik Bagels
Bonterra Organic Estates
Bonduelle Fresh Americas
Corning & Company
Cru Chocolate
Greenbar Distillery
Jano Spirits
Linea Caffè
Nana Joes
North Coast Brewing
Numi
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CC: Assemblymember Berman