



August 2, 2019

The Honorable Amy Klobuchar
425 Dirksen Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Klobuchar,

The United States-Mexico-Canada-Agreement (USMCA) needs your support. Under the current trade agreement, the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA), Minnesota exports \$6.7 billion worth of goods to Canada and Mexico annually. Trade is essential to Minnesota's economic output and the USMCA will cement Minnesota's economic stability.

The Metalcasters of Minnesota (MCM) represents more than 35 foundries and suppliers across the state which manufacture parts for the automotive, agricultural, aviation, national defense and many other important industries. These businesses illustrate the economic diversity of the manufacturing industry. These industries employ thousands of hard working individuals in our state and continue to represent U.S. manufacturers. Manufacturing is an essential pillar of Minnesota's economy. In today's economy, trade is more important than ever. Access to international markets is essential to growing Minnesota's businesses and economy.

The USMCA will magnify the benefits of trade and will allow Minnesotans greater access to our most important markets. If the USMCA fails to pass, the benefits from trade will be lost, and Minnesota's economy will suffer the consequences. If the USMCA does not pass, trade barriers will be erected, tariffs will rise, and Minnesota workers and consumers will bear the cost.

Please protect Minnesota's manufacturing workers, companies, and consumers – please support the USMCA.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Bob Mars".

Bob Mars
President
Metalcasters of Minnesota