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The Honorable John Barrasso
Chair
Senate Committee on Environment and
Public Works
307 Dirksen Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Tom Carper
Ranking Member
Senate Committee on Environment and
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513 Hart Senate Office Building
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Dear Chair Barrasso and Ranking Member Carper:

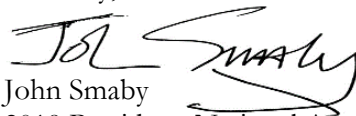
On behalf of the 1.3 million members of the National Association of REALTORS® (NAR), I would like to express NAR's support for the nomination of Andrew R. Wheeler to be the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). Furthermore, NAR asks that the Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works vote to approve Mr. Wheeler's nomination and move it to the floor of the Senate soon as possible.

Mr. Wheeler is well qualified for this position. He has served as the Acting Administrator since July 2017, and started his career at the agency, working on toxic chemical, pollution prevention and right-to-know issues. He worked on the Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works, serving as majority staff director, minority staff director and chief counsel. In those roles, Mr. Wheeler worked on every major piece of environmental and energy-related legislation before Congress during that time, including the Energy Policy Act of 2005, the Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007 and the Clean Air Interstate Rule.

NAR worked with Mr. Wheeler during his tenure on the Senate Environment and Public works Committee and appreciated his professionalism, his work ethic and his dedication to working on important policy issues in a bipartisan and balanced manner.

NAR urges the Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works to approve Andrew R. Wheeler as the Administrator of the EPA and move the nomination to the floor of the Senate so that one of the Administration's senior advocates for environmental protection can begin his important work on behalf of the country.

Sincerely,



John Smaby
2019 President, National Association of REALTORS®

cc: Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works



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