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Governor Jerry Brown
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Sent Via Fax: (916) 558-3160

RE: Urge Governor to Sign AB 199 (Eggman) into Law; Recycling Market Development Sales and Use Tax Exemption

California is home to approximately 4,000 metalworking facilities, employing over 110,000 Californians with middle-class manufacturing jobs and health benefits. 8 out of 10 employees in the metalworking sector are considered ethnic minorities or reside in disadvantaged communities.

California's metalworking companies recycle discarded metal and manufacture new components used in: aerospace, biotech apparatuses, solar panels, electric cars, medical devices, infrastructure, national defense, agriculture, construction, transportation and millions of other applications.

To be competitive in global manufacturing, California facilities have to make significant, long-term investments in equipment, research, employees, and materials. AB 199 (Eggman) encourages metal manufacturing facilities to make important investments in their facility by providing a sales and use tax exemption. With a SUT rate in some areas of California as high as 10%, this is a major incentive.

The California Metals Coalition urges you to sign AB 199 into law. We thank you for your dedication to our state, supporting middle-class jobs, and balancing the needs of communities. Please do not hesitate to contact CMC with any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'James Simonelli'. The signature is fluid and cursive, with a prominent loop at the end.

James Simonelli
Executive Director