

July XX, 2026

The Honorable <FIRSTNAME_LASTNAME>
<United States House of Representatives> <United States Senate>
<ADDRESS>
Washington, DC <ZIPCODE>

Delivered via email

Subject: Letter of Support for H.R.2844/S.1417, the Michael Enzi Voluntary Protection Program Act

Dear <Representative> <Senator> <LASTNAME>:

We, the undersigned, wish to extend our support for H.R.2844 and S.1417, the Michael Enzi Voluntary Protection Program Act, as introduced in the United States House of Representatives and Senate, respectively.

The Occupational Safety and Health Administration's Voluntary Protection Program (VPP) is a true success story and a shining example of how collaboration between industry, labor and government can produce meaningful, positive outcomes for American workers. For more than 40 years, OSHA's VPP has brought these parties together to advance health & safety excellence in the workplace.

OSHA's own statistics show that, in 2024, the 1,006 federal jurisdiction non-construction VPP participants¹ recorded a staggering 53% lower Total Case Incident Rate (TCIR) and 59% lower Days Away from Work, Restricted Work Activity, or Job Transfer (DART) rate compared to U.S. Bureau of Labor and Statistics data². That translates to an estimated 3,605 injuries avoided, according to OSHA—or, to put it in human terms, 3,605 additional American workers and their families who were protected from harm due to the stringent requirements to maintain VPP status.

The Michael Enzi Voluntary Protection Program Act provides for the long-term sustainability—and growth—of VPP by codifying the program as a permanent fixture within OSHA's cooperative assistance programs. The Act ensures the future of the program and provides peace of mind for existing—and future—VPP participants by requiring that OSHA devote 5% of its existing annual budget to supporting the program, requiring no additional appropriations. Employers and front-line workers will be able to rest easy knowing that the considerable investment of time and resources in pursuit of VPP certification is no longer subject to changing priorities or resources within the Department of Labor.

Most importantly, the Act ensures that VPP participants—led by front-line workers (both union and non-union), management and partners at OSHA—can continue leading the way in terms of continuous improvement and evolution in safety and health practices, helping raise the standard for workplace safety across the United States.

We, the undersigned, join together in offering our support for H.R.2844, S.1417 as we continue our shared vision of protecting every American worker.

Sincerely,

<NAME>
<POSITION>
<ORGANIZATION NAME>

CC: <CONGRESSIONAL STAFF NAME>, <TITLE>

¹ VPP includes an additional 762 sites under OSHA state plans for a total of [1,826 workplaces nationwide](#).

² [Occupational Safety and Health Administration 2024 VPP Injury and Illness Rate Annual Evaluation](#)