

**CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
OF THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA**

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To: President's Advisory Group and National Account Members

From: David Chavern

We understand that you may have received e-mails, letters and others communications from various groups asking your company to withdraw its support from the Chamber.

Please note that these calls against the Chamber are part of a broad-based, multi-source campaign against us being carried out by our normal adversaries – trial lawyers, activist unions, environmental extremists, etc. It is a “corporate campaign” in the classic sense, where interest groups are looking for public leverage to force us to do things against our members’ interests. (In fact, we are going to be sending you some additional information in the near future about the scope and objectives of this campaign.) Frankly, these efforts are simply the result of how effective we have been in opposing Card Check, as well as certain aspects of proposed healthcare, capital market and climate change legislation.

Our efforts to fix these key pieces of legislation are not going to stop – business needs health care reform that focuses on reducing costs, we need (as our Capital Markets Commission Report over two years ago called for) modernization of financial regulation across-the-board, and we need and continue to call for comprehensive climate change legislation.

The Chamber also intends to continue being successful, so we expect the negative messages to your company may continue. In all circumstances, I and other Chamber staff are available to provide you with more background on our policy positions, along with help in any responses that might be warranted. I do apologize, though, for any annoyance and inconvenience these efforts against us might cause you.

Thank you very much for your continued support.

Please let Tom Donohue or me know if you have any questions or comments.

Many thanks -- David

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