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INCMA's Monthly Fax Newsletter

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GREEN HOUSE GAS BILL BEING HEARD

AFS announced this week that the sweeping cap and trade green house gas bill, S 2191 "America's Climate Security Act of 2008" sponsored by Joe Lieberman (D-CT) and John Warner (R-VA) will be debated on June 2, 2008. In response, AFS is organizing key committee and state group leaders to participate in an urgent fly-in to DC on Thursday May 22 to lobby key members of Congress. AFS has just completed a position paper on greenhouse gas regulation and estimates that regulations would impact 75% of all foundries and cause dramatic increases in the cost of energy. Please contact Alicia Oman, AFS at 202/842-4864 if you would like to participate.

On a related note, environmentalists are anxiously awaiting a court ordered decision from EPA on whether to designate the polar bear as an endangered species. Such a designation would open another door to regulating CO2 emissions thought to be contributing to perceived global warming.

CHINA CHEATS CAMPAIGN CONTINUES

The Alliance for American Manufacturing (AAM) continued to trumpet it's message that "China Cheats" throughout the Indiana primary. Many of you may have noticed full page newspaper ads



that were run in various state newspapers. Blake Jeffery, INCMA Executive Director, also participated in an AAM media conference call to educate the media on the issue. The effort seemed to be successful at elevating the issue as the Presidential candidates all incorporated responses in their talking points and particularly focused on the importance of strengthening the manufacturing sector in Indiana. Stay tuned...

ELECTION RESULTS

The election produced few surprises with nearly all Statehouse incumbents winning

reelection. The IMA was 14 of 14 for their endorsed candidates. The Chamber was 16 of 16. Two incumbents lost including Greg Simms (D, Valpo.) who was an appointment to fill a vacant seat and John Ulmer (R-Goshen) who fell out of favor with business interests that rallied against him. Fall elections should be interesting just the same with control of the House at stake.

INDIEC's ENERGY WORKSHOP

The Indiana Industrial Energy Consumers (INDIEC) will once again host their annual Energy Seminar on May 28 at the Capital Conference Center n Indianapolis. The program is titled "MISO Implementation: Indiana Review." INCMA is a member of INDIEC. If you would like more info, please contact Kay Squires at 317/639-1210.

FUNDRAISING SEASON

Once again, the primaries are done and the even more aggressive fundraising season has begun. Below are a few fundraisers of note that

include some foundry friends and just key leaders. Contributions may also be delivered by INCMA to multiply the impact.

>6/10/08 Minority Leader Bosma Junetoberfest, Indpls. 317-610-2016

>6/12/08 Rep. Tim Harris Golf Outing, Marion. 765-674-0668

>7/9/08 House Republican Campaign Committee Golf Outing, Fishers. 317-610-2016

>8/18/08 Senate Majority Campaign Committee Golf Outing, Fishers. 317-964-5019

WELCOME NEW BOARD MEMBER

INCMA welcomes Jeff Turner, Metal Technologies, Auburn to the INCMA Board of Directors. Jeff replaces Keith Turner, Metal Technologies. Special thanks to Keith for his service to INCMA and the industry.

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