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INCMA's Monthly Newsletter

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BRAUN CO-SPONSORS BUY AMERICAN BILL

After meeting with INCMA members during the recent AFS hosted Washington DC Fly-In (see June Newsletter), Senator Mike Braun agreed to co-sponsor the Buy American.gov Act of 2019. The Made in America Act is intended to:

- Identify federal programs that provide funding or financial assistance to infrastructure projects not currently subject to Buy America requirements (\$10 billion in federal spending annually);
- Requires that all steel, iron, manufactured products, non-ferrous metals, plastic, concrete and aggregates, glass (including optical glass in broadband), lumber, and drywall used in these programs is produced in the United States.
- Requires that all of the manufacturing processes used in making the material be completed in the United States in order to qualify as 'American made'; and,
- Requires the Department of Commerce to consider how many American jobs are created when

setting its 'American made' standards.

2019 INCMA GOLF OUTING AND DINNER

Register now for the 2019 INCMA Member Dinner to be held Monday Aug. 26th and followed by the Annual Golf Outing on Tuesday Aug. 27th. **This year's member dinner will feature Congresswoman Susan Brooks** as our guest speaker. Golf sponsorships are also available and this year includes an option to sponsor a Hole-in-One contest for a cash prize of \$7500! [Register online to](#)



[attend the dinner, play golf and/or to be a sponsor.](#)

Special thanks to our sponsors to date including:

- [Pillar Group Risk Management](#)
- [ASK Chemicals LLC](#)
- [Waupaca Foundry](#), and
- [Bahr Bros. Mfg.](#)

Please plan to join us for the fellowship and fun!

[PLEASE NOTE the AFS Central IN Chapter outing will be held Aug. 3rd](#)

CLEAN POWER PLAN REPEALED

The EPA recently delivered on the Trump administration's promise to repeal the Obama-era Clean Power Plan (CPP), which would have imposed strict limits on greenhouse gas emissions from existing power plants, including mandating changes beyond the plants' fence lines. The final Affordable Clean Energy (ACE) rule, issued on June 19, 2019, repealed and replaced the CPP requirements, which the Supreme Court prevented from taking effect in a 2016 ruling. The ACE's final reversal of the CPP gives new life to the lingering national debate about how far EPA should go in limiting power plant emissions. [Click here for a full discussion by Barnes & Thornburg attorney members.](#)

INCMA WELCOMES NEW MEMBER

INCMA welcomes new associate member Grand Industrial focusing on custom metal fabrication, concrete, pipe work, tanks, structural steel, carpentry, specialized hauling, bag houses, ventilation and fresh air

intake. [View all INCMA members online.](#)

JUNE MANUFACTURING

The U.S. manufacturing sector gained 17,000 jobs in June. Last month's strong rise in factory jobs follows four months of little change. [Click here for the detailed stats.](#)

AFS LAUNCHES CASTING SECTOR ECONOMIC IMPACT STUDY

INCMA members may have recently received a letter from AFS announcing an effort to conduct an in-depth economic impact study of the importance of the US metalcasting sector to the economy. The analysis will provide critical data on the economic footprint of the industry and impact on US jobs and manufacturing. This data will be vital for future lobbying and regulatory efforts. If you would like more info. or would be willing to financially support the effort, please reach out to Stephanie Salmon at 202-452-7135 or ssalmon@afsinc.org

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