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Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources Committee on Natural Resources 1333 Longworth House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

Attention: Chairman Bruce Westerman

RE: TITLE VIII—COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES – Reconciliation Subtitle A—Energy and Mineral Resources

Crosby Tugs LLC was founded in 1977 and over the years, through acquisitions and new builds, has grown into one of the largest marine towing companies in the United States.

Over the years the US Energy sector has been a major part of our company's revenue stream, particularly the Offshore Oil & Gas sector. However, through the years, we have seen a steady decline in this revenue stream primarily due to the continual reduction in energy sector activity. This reduction in activity has been a result of many factors including an increase in regulations, a reduction in lease sales, and continual increase in permitting requirements that have caused O&G Operators to direct their attention elsewhere in the world. With this reduced activity from operators in the US Energy sector, the respective drilling contractors have followed suit and have moved many drilling assets (rigs) out of the region in search for work elsewhere in the world. Not only does Crosby depend on the energy sector to support our industry, but we also depend on GOMESA funds to protect the region where our companies and businesses are established. As well as our workforce.

Reading the details of the proposed reconciliation bill, outlined by the committee on Natural Resources, Crosby Tugs hereby supports the proposed bill. We feel the measures outlined in the bill will have a direct and meaningful impactful on the American energy sector and invoke an increase in activity which will inherently improve many American service companies and American workers as a direct result.

If you have any further questions/comments, please feel free to reach out.

Regards,

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