# **Fair Currency Coalition**

## PRESS STATEMENT

## Business/Agriculture/Labor Fair Currency Coalition Calls on House to Support Levin Substitute to Ryan-Murphy Currency Bill

## **Delivers Petition to U.S. House of Representatives**

September 23, 2010

WASHINGTON, DC – On Thursday afternoon, the Fair Currency Coalition delivered talking points and a petition to each member of the U.S. House of Representatives urging support for the Levin substitute to the Ryan-Murphy Currency Reform for Fair Trade Act, H.R. 2378. A mark-up on the bill is scheduled for Friday at 9:30 AM ET.

The petition was signed by 56 trade associations, 16 labor unions, federations, and councils, and 219 individual companies urging enactment of effective legislation to counteract currency misalignment without further delay. A copy of the talking points and petition signed by are attached.

"As our petition demonstrates, momentum for House passage a pro-jobs anti-currency manipulation bill is growing by the hour," said Fair Currency Coalition Executive Director Charles Blum.

"There is no better way for the U.S. House of Representatives to send voters a message that they are for creating more jobs than by passing this currency bill before heading home to campaign," Blum added.

Introduced by Congressmen Tim Ryan (D-OH) and Tim Murphy (R-PA), H.R. 2378 currently has 150 sitting members (106 Democrats and 44 Republicans) of the U.S. House of Representatives as original sponsors and as cosponsors.

The FCC is an alliance of industry, agriculture, and worker organizations whose mission is to support U.S. production and exports by seeking an end to the practice of currency misalignment by any trading partner. You can visit the FCC's website at <u>www.faircurrency.org</u>.

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At a mark-up scheduled for Friday, September 24 at 9:30, Ways and Means Chairman Sander Levin intends to offer an amendment in the nature of a substitute to the Ryan-Murphy Currency Reform for Fair Trade Act, H.R. 2378.

#### <u>The Fair Currency Coalition strongly supports this pro-jobs, pro-growth, and pro-investment</u> <u>amendment and urges Members of Congress to do the same</u>.

The Levin substitute is a streamlined version of H.R 2378 that:

- Is WTO-compliant and gives no grounds for retaliation by any trading partner;
- Clarifies the responsibility of the Commerce Dept. to investigate alleged currency undervaluation as a prohibited export subsidy and establish the facts on a case-by-case basis;
- Retains the countervailing duty remedy that is the heart of Ryan-Murphy; and
- Orders the Comptroller General of the United States to report on the legislation's implementation nine months following enactment.

By enacting H.R. 2378, the Congress would:

- Boost exports and create jobs in the United States;
- Encourage more research and development and investment in new plant and equipment in the United States; and
- Stimulate the U.S. economy without incurring any new public debt or budgetary expenditures.

What Members of Congress can do:

- Communicate your support for the substitute to Chairman Levin and/or Ranking Member Camp and to other members of the Ways and Means Committee;
- Communicate your support for the Levin substitute to your party's leadership;
- Remind them that your constituents need action on the currency problem; and
- Urge a vote on the House floor prior to recessing before the November election.

This position is backed by Main Street America. FCC members and friends – farmers, ranchers, small and medium-sized manufacturers, and labor groups – have joined in the attached petition calling for immediate Congressional action.

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As of September 23, 2010

### PETITION TO HOUSE AND SENATE LEADERSHIP

The undersigned companies and organizations support the enactment of effective legislation to counteract currency misalignment without further delay.

A. B. Carter, Inc., Gastonia NC AB Heller Precision Machining Inc., Milford MI Abet Industries Corporation, La Grange Park IL Accum-Matic Systems Inc., Livonia MI Adaptive Manufacturing Solutions, Burton MI Alabama Wire Products Inc., Elizabethtown KY Alice Manufacturing Company, Inc., Easley SC Allegheny Technologies Incorporated, Pittsburgh PA with 17 facilities in CA, CT, IL, IN, MA, OH, PA, and SC Allenberg Cotton Co., Cordova TN Alliance for American Manufacturing Aluminum Extruders Council American Appliance Products, Inc., Newport TN and Madison TN American Corn Growers Association (ACGA) American Cotton Shippers Association American Federation of Labor American Federation of Labor Industrial Union Council American Federation of Labor Metal Trade Council American Federation of Teachers American Fiber Manufacturers Association American Foundry Society American Grassfed Association American Iron and Steel Institute American Manufacturing Trade Action Coalition American Mold Builders Association American Spring Wire Corp., Bedford Heights OH and Houston TX American Suessen Corporation, Charlotte NC American Truetzschler, Charlotte NC Ameritech Die & Mold. Inc., Mooresville NC Apex Broaching Systems, Warren MI Arboretum Ethics, Wheaton IL ATI Allvac (an Allegheny Technologies Company), Monroe NC with 10 other facilities in AL, IN, PA and TN Atkins Machinery, Inc., Spartanburg SC Atlas Tool & Die Works, Inc., Lyons IL Atlas Tool Inc., Roseville MI Aurora Specialty Textiles Group, Aurora IL Avon Broach & Production Company, Rochester Hills MI B A Die Mold, Inc., Aurora IL Backyard Buddy, Warren OH Bakery, Confectionary, Tobacco Workers and Grain Millers International Union (BCTGM) Bantleon, Warren MI

Beacon Manufacturing/Pneumafil, Charlotte NC Bedford Weaving, Inc., Bedford VA Bermar Associates Inc., Troy MI Bollman Hat Company, Adamstown, PA Bon-Marc Realty Co., LLC, University Park FL Bruce Fox Inc., New Albany IN Brush Wellman, Inc., Mayfield Heights, OH, Elmore OH and Shoemakersville PA Buckeye Technologies Inc., Lumberton NC Buhler Quality Yarns, Corp., Jefferson GA Calcot, Ltd., Bakersfield CA California Farmers Union Callicrate Cattle Co., Colorado Springs CO Cambridge-Lee Industries, Inc., Reading PA Camcraft, Inc., Hanover Park IL Campbell Fittings, Inc., Boyertown PA Cattle Producers of Washington Carbis Walker LLP, Pittsburgh PA Central Textiles Inc., Central SC Centrix, Inc., Memphis TN Cerro Flow Products, LLC, St. Louis MO, Shelbina MO, Cedar City UT, Mexico MO, and Bossier City LA Charlotte Pipe and Foundry Company, Charlotte NC Chase Brass & Copper Company, Inc., Montpelier OH, and Los Angeles CA Chicago Extruded Metals Company, Cicero IL, Chicago IL and Dolton IL Circle Mold & Machine, Tallmadge OH Clariant Corporation, Charlotte NC Coalition for a Prosperous America Cogent Strategies LLC, Centennial CO Collis, Inc. Clinton, IA Committee on Pipe and Tube Imports Communication Workers of America (CWA) Concerned Citizens Group, Dublin OH Conitex Sonoco, Gastonia NC Consolidated Fibers, Inc., Charlotte NC Contract Poultry Growers Association of the Virginias Copland Industries, Inc., Burlington NC Copper & Brass Fabricators Council, Inc. Cotton Growers Cooperative, Garner NC Creative Services Company, Madison Heights MI Crystal Springs Print Works, Inc., Chickamauga GA Cummins-Allison Corporation, Mt. Prospect IL DAK Americas, LLC, Charlotte NC Denim North America, Columbus GA Detroit Edge Tool Company, Detroit MI DigiTek Corporation, Livonia MI Dixie Industrial Finishing Company, Inc., Tucker GA Donsco Inc., Wrightsville PA Dramco Tool & Die Company, Grand Island NE Drawn Metal Tube Company, Thomaston CT, and Middle Village NY Duro Textile, New York NY EBAA Iron, Inc., Eastland TX E.J. Basler Company, Schiller Park IL Eklind Tool Company, Franklin Park IL Electralloy, Oil City, PA with 3 other facilities in PA Energy Remedies LLC, Walled Lake MI Evan's Aircraft Body Shop, Peyton, CO F & L Metal Finishes, Inc., Colorado Springs CO

Family Business Chamber of Commerce, Butler, PA FC Stone/Globecot Division, Nashville TN Fisher Barton Inc, Waukesha WI Flowline Division, Markovitz Enterprises, Inc., New Castle, PA Flynn Manufacturing Co., Ferndale MI Frontier Spinning Mills, Inc., Sanford NC Future Products Tool Corporation, Clawson MI Galey & Lord Industries, LLC, Society Hill SC Gerdau Ameristeel Corporation, Tampa, FL GH Tool & Mold, Washington MO Glen Raven, Inc., Glen Raven NC Green Planet Plumbing, Dryden MI Greenwood Mills, Greenwood SC GTP Greenville, Inc., Greenville SC H and H Manufacturing, Bell Gardens, CA H & R Screw Machine Products Inc., Reed City MI Hackett Brass Foundry, Detroit MI Haller International Inc., Detroit MI Helm Tool Co., Inc., Elk Grove Village IL Henderson-Henderson County Chamber of Commerce, KY Hero Holdings LLC, St. Clair Shores MI Heyco Metals, Inc., Reading PA, Ontario CA, and Tom's River NJ Hussey Copper Ltd., Leetsdale PA and Eminence KY Incognito Marketing, Colorado Springs CO Independent Cattlemen of Iowa Independent Cattlemen of Wyoming Inman Mills, Inman SC Insteel Wire Products Co., Mount Airy NC, Sanderson FL, and Gallatin TN International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers (IAM) International Brotherhood of Boilermakers (IBB) International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW) International Brotherhood of Teamsters International Federation of Professional Employees (IFPTE) I Squared R Element Company, Inc., Akron NY ITEMA America, Inc., Spartanburg SC J&L Wire Products Co., St. Paul MN Jefferson Chevrolet, Detroit MI Joint Productions Technology Inc., Macomb MI Kansas Farmers Union Kason Industries, Newnan GA Katrin Kolder DVM, Thermopolis, WY KB Alloys, LLC, Reading PA, Robards KY and Malaga WA Kentwool Co., Pickens SC Kobe Wieland Copper Products, LLC, Pine Hall NC Korman Ranch, Hinsdale, MT Kurt Salmon Associates, Atlanta GA Lapham-Hickey Steel Corporation, Chicago IL Larovan Enterprises, Mooresville NC Latrobe Specialty Steel Company, Latrobe PA with 10 other facilities in AL, IL, MA, MI, OH, PA, and TN Law Offices of Joseph Hemming, Farmington Hills MI Leonard Machine Tool Systems, Warren MI Liberty Denim, LLC, Spartanburg SC Lucas Carpets & Installations, Sharon PA Lummus Corporation, Savannah GA Luvata North America, Inc., Buffalo NY Major Powdered Metal Technologies, Livonia MI

Manufacturers Association of Central New York (MACNY) McMichael Mills, Mayodan NC McMurray Fabrics, Inc., Aberdeen NC McPherson County Farmers Union, KS MDM Inc., Colorado Springs, CO Meridian Specialty Yarns, Valdese NC MET Plastics, Inc., Elk Grove Village IL Metal Punch Corporation, Cadillac MI Metals Service Center Institute Metals America, Shelby NC Michael N. Satin, Attorney at Law, Colorado Springs, CO Michael S. Becker, Inc., Burlington NC Michigan Flame Hardening Company, Detroit MI The Miller Company, Meriden CT Mount Vernon Mills, Inc., Mauldin SC Mueller Industries, Inc., Memphis TN, Belding MI, Port Huron MI, Fulton MS, Wynne AR, Hartsville TN, Covington TN and North Wales PA Murata Machinery USA, Inc., Charlotte NC Nan Ya Plastics Corp., America, Lake City SC Narrow Fabrics Institute (NFI) Nashville Wire, Nashville, TN National Association of Farm Animal Welfare National Bronze & Metals, Inc., Houston TX National Council of Textile Organizations National Farmers Organization National Farmers Union National Lime Association National Spinning Co., Inc., Washington NC National Textile Association National Tooling and Machining Association Nebraska Farmers Union, Lincoln NE Neenah Foundry Company, Neenah, WI New American Colonies, LLC Colorado Springs CO Nobull Enterprises LLC, Colorado Springs CO Norman Paschall Co., Peachtree City GA North American Die Casting Association North American Stainless, Ghent KY Northeast Ohio Campaign for American Manufacturing (NEOCAM) Nucor Corporation, Charlotte NC with approximately 200 locations nationwide Oerlikon Textile Inc., Charlotte NC **Ohio Farmers Union** Olin Brass, East Alton IL, Bryan OH, Cuba MO, and Waterbury CT Organization for Competitive Markets Outokumpu Stainless, Schaumburg IL with 4 other facilities in FL, IN and SC Parkdale Mills, Inc., Gastonia NC Patrick Yarn Mills, Inc., Kings Mountain, NC Penn United Technologies, Inc., Butler PA Pennsylvania Farmers Union Pennsylvania Independent Consumers and Farmers Association Pesco Mold & Engineering, Utica MI Petrogen, Inc., Colorado Springs CO Pharr Yarns, Inc., McAdenville NC Pioneer Magnetics, Santa Monica CA Plains Cotton Cooperative Assn., Lubbock TX PMX Industries, Inc. Cedar Rapids IA Precision Machined Products Association

Precision Metalforming Association Ouadrifrons, Inc., Austin, TX **R-CALF** United Stockgrowers of America Rader Electric Co. Inc., Walled Lake MI Radicispandex Corp., Gastonia NC Ralph C. Wilson Agency Inc., Southfield MI Ranch Foods Direct, Colorado Springs CO Rapid EDM Service, Inc., Wyoming MI Rain Technologies, Inc., Colorado Springs, CO Resco Products Inc., Pittsburgh PA with facilities in Moulton AL, Santa Fe Springs CA, Hammond IN, Greensboro NC, Hillsborough NC, East Canton OH, Oak Hill OH, Warren OH, Wellston OH, and New Cumberland WV Revere Copper Products, Inc., Rome NY Richard Tool & Die Corp., New Hudson MI Rieter Corporation, Greensboro NC Rochester Tooling & Machining Association, Inc., NY Romar Consulting, LLC, Granite Falls NC Rophi Technical Services Inc., Grosse Pointe Woods MI RSM Company, Charlotte NC Sanwill Solutions LLC, Pasadena MD Schmald Tool & Die Inc. Burton MI Schneider Mills, New York NY SCSSW Holding Company, Inc., Fort Smith AR Service Employees International Union (SEIU) Sha-Co Welding & Fabricating Company, Greenville PA Sheet Metal Workers International Association (SMWIA) Shuford Yarns, LLC, Hickory NC South Dakota Stockgrowers Association Special Drill & Reamer Company, Madison Heights MI Specialty Steel Industry of North America Spring City Electrical Mfg. Co., Spring City PA Spring Manufacturers Institute Springs Global US, Inc., Fort Mill SC Southern Steel & Wire Company, Fort Smith, AR Staple Cotton Cooperative Assn., Greenwood MS Staubli Corporation, Duncan SC Steel Dynamics, Inc., Ft. Wayne IN with 10 facilities in FL, IN, TN, PA, VA, and WV Steel Manufacturers Association Sterling Tool & Mfg., Inc., Barrington IL Straits Steel and Wire Company, Ludington MI Sumiden Wire Products, Stockton CA and Dickson TN Sunbury Textile Mills, Inc., Sunbury PA SVS Vision Inc., Mt. Clemens MI Swift Spinning, Inc., Columbus GA Symtech Inc., Spartanburg SC T & W Tool & Die Corp., Oak Park MI Tech Tool & Mold, Inc., Meadville PA Tennessee Hickory Products, Loudon TN Tex-Mach, Inc., Mayo SC **Texas Farmers Union** The Seam, LLC, Memphis TN The Shop Around the Corner, Huntersville NC Thinkprayact, Snowmass Village, CO Tintoria Piana U.S., Inc., Cartersville GA TJ Beall Company, West Point GA Tooling & Manufacturing Association Tooling, Manufacturing, and Technologies Association

Tuscarora Yarns, Inc., Mt. Pleasant NC Unifi, Inc., Greensboro NC United Automobile Workers (UAW) United Mineworkers of America (UMWA) United States Business & Industry Council United States Steel Corporation United Steelworkers of America (USW) Univar USA, Chattanooga TN Universal Electric Corporation, Canonsburg, PA Universal Stainless and Alloy Products, Bridgeville PA with 2 other facilities in NY and PA U.S. Foundry & Manufacturing Co., Medley FL **US Industrial Fabrics Institute** Uster Technologies, Inc., Charlotte NC V & M STAR, Youngstown OH with other facilities in Muskogee OK and Houston TX Valbruna Slater Stainless Inc., Fort Wayne IN with 8 other facilities in CA, FL, GA, IL, OH, NJ and TX Vanadium Producers & Reclaimers Association Van De Wiele-Iro, Inc., Charlotte NC Vicount Industries Inc. Farmington Hills MI Wade Manufacturing Co., Wadesboro NC Wade Multimedia, Newport Beach CA Wellman, Inc., Ft. Mill SC Wieland Metals, Inc., Wheeling IL William Barnet and Son, LLC, Arcadia SC Wisconsin Paper Council Women Involved in Farm Economics (WIFE) Wood Machinery Manufacturers of America (WMMA) Xcel Mold and Machine, Inc., North Canton OH Youngstown/Warren Regional Chamber of Commerce, OH Zagis USA, LLC, Lafayette LA

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