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The Honorable Chuck Schumer
United States Senate
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The Honorable Mitch McConnell
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AGC KEY VOTE: Vote “YES” on S.J.Res.55 - A joint resolution providing for congressional disapproval of the rule submitted by the Council on Environmental Quality relating to "National Environmental Policy Act Implementing Regulations Revisions”

Dear Majority Leader Schumer and Leader McConnell,

On behalf of the Associated General Contractors of America (AGC) – the leading construction industry association representing America’s top general contractors and specialty-contracting firms in every state – I urge you to vote “YES” on the S.J.Res.55, the joint resolution providing for congressional disapproval of the rule submitted by the Council on Environmental Quality relating to "National Environmental Policy Act Implementing Regulations Revisions.” Overturning this onerous NEPA regulation would restore certainty for the construction industry and ensure that infrastructure projects are not needlessly delayed without jeopardizing important environmental protections. As such, **AGC will record this vote as a KEY VOTE for the education of its more than 27,000 member firms.**

The construction industry is the project delivery system for building a safer, healthier, and environmentally sustainable future. Our nation cannot simply wish for a greener future; it must build it. And the construction industry must be an integral part of the policymaking processes to help ensure that our built environment can grow and prosper in a sustainable way.

The Biden Administration’s NEPA rule will limit our ability to break ground on important construction projects. This rule adds to the regulatory uncertainty coming out of Washington that has created instability and made it harder to plan and manage construction projects. It is disappointing that instead of implementing the environmental review and permitting reforms included in the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law, the administration has instead chosen to add new, vague hurdles to this arduous process.

The Associated General Contractors of America supports this effort to nullify this costly and burdensome regulation. **For these reasons, AGC urges you and your members to vote “YES” on the S.J.Res.55 and will record your vote as a KEY VOTE.** Thank you for your consideration of AGC and its members.

Sincerely,

James V. Christianson
Vice President, Government Relations

Cc: Members of the U.S. Senate