Allagash Brewing Company * Andersonville Brewing Co. * Bang Brewing
Bar Hygge/Brewery Techne * Blue Mountain Brewery/Blue Mountain Barrel House
Brewery Vivant * Brooklyn Brewery * Center of the Universe Brewing Company
Earth Bread + Brewery * Engrained Brewing Company * Flying Mouse Brewery
Garden Grove Brewing Company * Goose Island Beer Co. * Greenstar Organic Brewery
Half Acre Beer Company * Hops & Grain Brewing * Horse & Dragon Brewing Company
KelSo Beer Company * Lakefront Brewery * Maine Beer Company
New Belgium Brewing Company * Oak Park Brewing Company
Odell Brewing Company * Right Brain Brewery * Rising Tide Brewing Company
Saint Benjamin Brewing Company * Smuttynose Brewing Company
South Street Brewery * Starr Hill Brewery * Temperance Beer Co.
Two Brothers Brewing Company * Wild Wolf Brewing Company

February 15, 2017

Dear Senators:

Please vote against the confirmation of Scott Pruitt as Administrator of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. Mr. Pruitt's record of attacking clean water protections shows that he is the wrong choice to lead the agency.

Our breweries cannot operate without reliable, clean water supplies. Together, our businesses employ hundreds of people, and our beers are shipped across the country. We need an EPA administrator who will adopt and enforce policies that protect the water sources we use to make our great-tasting beer. Mr. Pruitt's actions as Oklahoma Attorney General, however, demonstrate a history of attacking and undermining the protections on which we depend.

Mr. Pruitt has challenged virtually every important EPA safeguard in recent years, often falsely accusing the agency of overstepping its authority. We need an EPA administrator who will enforce our laws to protect our resources and our communities, not someone who tries to weaken safeguards on behalf of polluters.

Beer is about 90 percent water, making local water supply quality and its characteristics, such as pH and mineral content, critical to beer brewing and the flavor of many classic brews. Changes to our water supply – whether we draw directly from a water source or from a municipal supply – threaten our ability to consistently produce our great-tasting beer, and thus, our bottom line.

Protecting clean water is central to our business and our long-term success. Not only does the great-tasting beer we brew depend on it, but so do the communities in which we operate. Mr. Pruitt cannot be trusted to protect America's water resources. We hope that we can count on you to oppose his confirmation to head EPA.

Sincerely,



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Steve Hindy Founder Brooklyn, NY



Brandon Wright Co-Owner Chicago, IL



Chris Ray Co-Founder Ashland, VA



Sandy & Jay Boss Febbo Owners St. Paul, MN



Peggy Zwerver Co-Owner Philadelphia, PA



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Taylor Smack Owner Arrington, VA



Frank Moeller Founder/Brewer Troutville, VA



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