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Via Federal eRulemaking Portal

**RE: Comments on REG-107911-18: Rules Concerning the Limitation on the Deduction
for Business Interest Expense**

Dear Sir or Madam:

The U.S. Chamber of Commerce appreciates the opportunity to provide feedback on REG-107911-18, proposed rules concerning the limitation on the deduction for business interest expense after amendment of the Internal Revenue Code (Code) by the provisions commonly known as the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act, which was enacted on December 22, 2017, and the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act, which was enacted on March 27, 2020, as published in the *Federal Register* on September 14, 2020.

The attached chart identifies issues arising under REG-107911-18 and provides suggested solutions as well as any additional explanation the Chamber believes would be helpful in addressing the issue. This feedback is the product of extensive conversations with a very wide array of impacted Chamber members. These comments may be considered as representing some of the most serious issues but are not all the issues concerning Chamber members on REG-107911-18.

The Chamber appreciates the opportunity to provide this feedback on REG-107911-18. The Chamber strongly urges Treasury and the I.R.S. to continue to work closely with the business community to implement the recent tax changes in a manner to ensure as little disruption as possible to normal business operations and that this law encourages the U.S. economy to achieve its true growth potential. The Chamber looks forward to working with you to address these and other issues as we work to implement our new, pro-growth tax code. Thank you for your time and attention.

Sincerely,



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