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The Honorable Lamar Alexander
Chairman
Committee on Health, Education, Labor,
and Pensions
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Patty Murray
Ranking Member
Committee on Health, Education, Labor,
and Pensions
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Chairman Alexander and Ranking Member Murray:

The U.S. Chamber of Commerce wishes to express its views on the nominations of Patrick Pizzella for Deputy Secretary of Labor, and Marvin Kaplan and William Emanuel to be members of the National Labor Relations Board (NLRB).

Mr. Pizzella is a veteran of the DOL, having served during the administration of George W. Bush as assistant secretary of labor for administration and management and is, therefore, ideally suited for the broad duties and responsibilities of Deputy.

Mr. Kaplan would bring multiple layers of experience to the NLRB, having served as counsel on the House Education and Workforce Committee, and currently serving as counsel to the Occupational Safety and Health Review Commission. He also served in the Department of Labor's Office of Labor Management Standards near the end of the George W. Bush administration. His activities on the Education and Workforce Committee included oversight work on the NLRB's actions against Boeing's decision to move work to a plant in South Carolina. This background gives him an appreciation of the need to restore credibility to NLRB decisions.

Mr. Emanuel's many years of representing employers in labor disputes makes him well-prepared to serve on the NLRB, and restore balance to the National Labor Relations Act case law. He would help the NLRB to an institution that serves as an objective evaluator of the law and the facts before it.

The Chamber urges swift consideration on all three of these nominees in both the Committee and full Senate.

Sincerely,



Neil Bradley

CC: Members of the Senate Health, Education, Labor and Pensions Committee