

Welcoming a New Day on Trade and Globalization Policy

February 5th, 2009

Dear Member of Congress:

Congratulations on winning your 2008 election. The more than three hundred and forty-five organizations listed below, including diverse national, state and local groups from the faith, family farm, labor, consumer and environmental sectors, look forward to working with you and the Obama Administration on the promise of change realized in the recent election.

Our more than eighteen million combined members know one of the greatest challenges facing our nation is creating new trade and globalization policies that serve America's workers, consumers, farmers and firms. Rebalancing our trade policies so that they create and retain good jobs here at home -- along with fostering sustainable equitable development worldwide -- is an urgent challenge. The dramatic economic downturn caused in part by the lack of prudent global regulation of commerce, and massive trade and financial imbalances, demonstrates why America needs a new way on trade. It will be challenging to remedy the considerable damage that our past policies have wrought, however we are confident that working together, we can replace the failed trade policies of the past with those that deliver broadly shared benefits.

The recent election demonstrated a relentless demand from the American public for trade reform. Across the country, from the Presidency to both chambers of Congress, successful candidates in 2008 ran against the failed status quo and for a new approach. With this election, 42 newly elected Senators and Representatives committed to changing our past trade model. They join over two dozen fair traders elected in 2006 -- making a combined total of 71 fair-trade reformers who replaced those supporting the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA), the Central America Free Trade Agreement (CAFTA) and our current China trade policies. The unprecedented election focus on reform reflects the public opinion that America's trade model needs a major overhaul. Nearly three-quarters of Americans believe that a "free trade agreement" has had a negative effect on their families. Majorities oppose NAFTA across every demographic. GOP voters, by a two-to-one majority, agree that "[f]oreign trade has been bad for the U.S. economy, because imports from abroad have reduced demand for American-made goods, cost jobs here at home, and produced potentially unsafe products."

As the new Congress begins, we look forward to working with you and the Obama administration to seize this exciting opportunity to create better rules for our trade and globalization policy.

- Correcting U.S. - China Commercial Relations: A key priority is speedy passage of legislation that applies our trade laws to counter China's currency manipulation. We also are eager to work with you to support the Administration as it prioritizes remedying this pervasive problem by engaging China at the highest level. Our immense trade imbalance with China -- \$256 billion in 2007 -- is but one of the harmful effects of China's currency devaluation policy. The *Yuan* is substantially undervalued. Fair trade is not possible when currency policy manipulates the price of Chinese goods, flooding our markets with imports while pricing U.S. goods out of China.

Further, President Bush's last-minute negotiations with China to establish a new Bilateral Investment Treaty (BIT) should be halted, with priority and resources shifted to resolving the currency issue. With many in Congress calling for an end to existing loopholes that promote offshoring, the United States should not engage in negotiations of a treaty designed to provide new protections to assist U.S. firms' relocation of investment and jobs to China. The BIT would also empower Chinese firms, including state-owned firms, to increase purchases of U.S. assets under preferential terms with new rights to skirt U.S. courts and use foreign tribunals to challenge regulation of Chinese firms operating here. This is not the change in trade policy the public demanded in this election.

We are also eager to work with Congress and the Obama Administration to create new import-safety policies to ensure food and goods coming from China (and all countries) meet U.S. safety and inspection requirements as a condition of entering our market and homes, where our families are exposed to unacceptable risks from imported products under current policy.

- **The WTO Doha Round Agenda:** We are excited to work with you and the Obama administration to create a new agenda for future global trade talks aimed at addressing the existing problems in the current World Trade Organization (WTO) rules. Talks on the long-beleaguered “Doha Round” agenda should be halted. The Doha Round, if concluded, would expand the damage the WTO has already wrought. Since establishment of the WTO and NAFTA, the U.S. trade deficit jumped exponentially from under \$100 billion to over \$700 billion – over 5 percent of national income. At the same time, U.S. real median wage growth has flattened despite impressive productivity gains. President Obama’s goal of adding labor rights to WTO is not even on the Doha Round agenda. Meanwhile, among the concessions demanded of the United States under the current talks are both the unacceptable weakening of existing U.S. domestic trade laws and WTO-binding of guaranteed new U.S. visas for foreign workers seeking employment here. Moreover, a key element of the Doha Round agenda is further service-sector deregulation and liberalization – including financial services and energy. As Congress and the world at large struggle to reregulate financial services and create new energy policies to ensure our nation’s future, it is extremely counterproductive to permit imposition of new WTO limits on the domestic policy space needed in these critical areas. Indeed, a new WTO negotiating agenda must focus on creating the flexibilities needed to address the critical issues of our time, including policies to counter global climate change.

- **Hangover Bush Administration Free Trade Agreements (FTAs):** The Free Trade Agreements with Colombia, Panama and Korea represent more-of-the-same trade-agreement model promoted by the previous administration. During the campaign, President Obama described changes to NAFTA and the NAFTA model FTAs that he would achieve through renegotiations of some existing agreements. The issues he raised have been the basis of congressional opposition to NAFTA-style pacts: excessive foreign-investor privileges and private enforcement systems, limits on domestic procurement policy and food safety protections, and more. President Obama’s promise to renegotiate NAFTA, CAFTA and other pacts – and the longstanding interest by many in Congress to improve the U.S. trade-agreement model – provides a long-overdue opportunity for in-depth reviews of the existing FTAs and the much-needed debate about what policies all U.S. trade agreements should and should not include. Getting the rules right is critical before considering any future agreements, much less before negotiating additional pacts. Thus, for instance, the Bush Administration’s new FTA negotiations launched in September 2008 with the Trans-Pacific Strategic Economic Partnership (Brunei, Chile, New Zealand and Singapore) should be halted.

While the three Bush FTAs contain some improvements relative to NAFTA, many of the most serious problems of the previous trade agreement model are replicated in the three Bush FTAs and must be addressed. The failure to remove these problematic provisions means these pacts do not pass the most conservative “*do no further harm*” test.

- o **Foreign-Investor Rights.** The investment chapters of the three Bush FTAs still afford foreign investors greater rights than those enjoyed by U.S. investors. These three pacts’ foreign-investor chapters contain the same provisions in CAFTA that led many Democrats to oppose that pact and that President-elect Obama cited as problematic during the campaign. Such provisions promote off-shoring, and subject our domestic environmental, zoning, health and other public interest policies to challenge by foreign investors in foreign tribunals.
- o **Food-Safety Provisions.** The Bush FTAs still contain language requiring the United States to limit import inspection and accept imported food that does not meet our domestic safety standards.
- o **Procurement Provisions.** The Bush FTAs procurement rules subject many common federal and state procurement policies to challenge and directly forbid other common procurement policies. These procurement rules continue the NAFTA/CAFTA ban on anti-off-shoring and Buy America policies, and expose U.S. renewable-energy, recycled-content and other environmental safety requirements to challenge. These terms must be changed to provide the policy space for the many exciting “Green Economy” proposals promoted by President-elect Obama during his campaign.

- o **Agriculture Provisions.** The FTAs contain the NAFTA-style agriculture trade rules that have simultaneously undermined U.S. producers' ability to earn a fair price for their crops at home and in the global marketplace. Multinational grain-trading and food-processing companies have made enormous profits, while farmers on both ends have been hurt. If this model is continued, hunger is projected to increase, along with illicit drug cultivation, and undocumented migration. Moreover, it would be an extension of the race to the bottom in commodity prices, pitting farmer against farmer and country against country to see who can produce food the cheapest, regardless of labor, environment or food-safety standards.
- o **Access to Medicines.** While the most egregious, CAFTA-based terms limiting access to affordable medicines have been removed from the Bush FTAs, the texts still include NAFTA-style terms that undermine the right to affordable medicines that were contained in the WTO's Doha Declaration.

In addition to the NAFTA-style provisions contained in Bush's Colombia, Panama and Korea FTAs, each agreement poses its own considerable problems.

The Colombia FTA: For instance, labor and human rights conditions in Colombia have worsened: the rate of unionist assassinations is up relative to 2007. Additionally, there are growing revelations about the Uribe Administration's links to rightwing paramilitaries responsible for assassinations of unionists, Afro-Colombian and indigenous community leaders. During Uribe's administration, 434 unionists have been murdered. More than 2,590 Colombian trade unionists have been killed since 1986. Since President Uribe took office five years ago, convictions have been reported in only 59 of the 458 trade-union homicide cases and only 55% of those convicted are in custody. It is critical to send a signal to the world that the United States has a zero-tolerance policy regarding assassination of people seeking to exercise their basic labor and human rights.

The Panama FTA: Meanwhile, Panama's economy thrives on banking secrecy and money laundering. Panama has been a key target of both the OECD and the G7-created Financial Action Task Force for its resistance to international norms in combating tax evasion and money laundering. Panama's "comparative advantage" is the ease with which U.S. companies can create local subsidiaries there for the purpose of dodging U.S. taxes. With 400,000 registered corporations, Panama is second only to Hong Kong as a home for multinational firms' subsidiaries – many created for the sole purpose of avoiding taxes. Unlike all other U.S. FTA partner-countries, and despite vigorous U.S. complaints since the 1990s about Panama's murky banking sector and lack of corporate accountability rules, the Panamanian government has explicitly refused to sign the standard Tax Disclosure Treaty with the United States. This agreement, designed by the OECD and G-7 Financial Action Task Force, is used worldwide to catch tax cheats and prevent money laundering and funding for terrorists.

The Korea FTA: In addition to lopsided auto provisions, the Korea FTA includes major financial service sector deregulation and liberalization provisions which contradict global and domestic congressional efforts to reregulate this volatile sector.

We are all eager to support trade agreements that benefit a majority of U.S. workers, farmers, small businesses and consumers. We all want American trade and globalization policies that promote the larger societal goals of economic justice, poverty alleviation, healthy communities, human rights and a sound environment that we all share. We believe that the **2008 Trade Reform, Accountability, Development and Employment (TRADE) Act** – put forward in the 110th Congress by Senator Sherrod Brown, Representative Mike Michaud and over eighty of their House and Senate colleagues – offers a helpful roadmap for new policies that could rebuild a consensus in favor of expanded trade.

Correcting our past trade and globalization policy mistakes and moving forward on a new path can help our nation face our considerable economic challenges. Changing our current trade agreements and policies is critical to regain the policy space to accomplish key domestic non-trade priorities regarding health care, economic stability, climate change and more. We look forward to working with members of Congress and the Obama Administration to create a new American trade and globalization policy that can ensure that future trade agreements obtain broad support.

Sincerely,

Citizens Trade Campaign
Change to Win
National Farmers Union
United Methodist Church, General Board of Church and Society
United Steelworkers
International Brotherhood of Teamsters
Public Citizen's Global Trade Watch
UNITE HERE
TransAfrica Forum
Communications Workers of America
Global Exchange
International Brotherhood of Boilermakers
Witness for Peace
Laborers' International Union of North America
Jobs with Justice
National Family Farm Coalition
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers
Americans for Democratic Action
International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers
SweatFree Communities
IATP Action
Working Families Win
The International Labor Rights Forum
Equal Exchange
US Labor Education in the Americas Project - USLEAP
Protect All Children's Environment - PACE
Foreign Policy In Focus
Human Rights for Workers
Coalition for a Prosperous America
Coalition of Labor Union Women - CLUW
Steelworkers Organization of Active Retirees - SOAR
8th Day Center for Justice
Labor Research Association
Washington Office on Latin America
Liberty Tree Foundation
Democrats.com
After Downing Street
Progressive Democrats of America
Guatemala Human Rights Commission
Labor Council for Latin American Advancement - LCLAA
United for Community
Pride at Work
US Office on Colombia
Korean Americans for Fair Trade
International Longshore and Warehouse Union
Grassroots International
Women, Food and Agriculture Network
Association of Internally Displaced Afro-Colombians (AFRODES USA)
Fellowship of Reconciliation
Sugar Law Center for Economic & Social Justice
CISPES - Committee in Solidarity with the People of El Salvador
Student Trade Justice Campaign
Association of Western Pulp and Paper Workers International Union

State and Local Groups

Across the Americas (IL)
African Services Committee (NY)
AFSCME Local 3214 (OR)
AFT Local 212 (WI)
AFT Wisconsin
Alabama State AFL-CIO
Alliance for Democracy (OR)
Alliance@IBM / CWA Local 1701
Allegheny County Labor Council AFL-CIO (PA)
Alter-Eco Fair Trade (CA)
Amnesty International, University of Texas at Dallas
American Postal Workers Union Local 2339 (IA)
American Postal Workers Union Southern Oregon Area Local 342 (OR)
Arvada Peace and Justice Commission (CO)
Austin Central Labor Council (TX)
Bend-Condega Friendship Project (OR)
Bergen County Central Trades and Labor Council (NJ)
California Council of Churches Impact
California Digital Arts Studio Partnership
California Fair Trade Coalition
California Farmers Union
Carolina Interfaith Task Force on Central America (NC)
Central Oregon Central Labor Council
Chicago Jobs with Justice (IL)
Chicago Religious Leadership Network on Latin America – CRLN (IL)
Church in the Cliff (TX)
CISPES - Committee in Solidarity with the People of El Salvador New York Chapter
Citizen Action of Wisconsin
Cleveland Jobs with Justice (OH)
Coalition of Labor Union Women Pennsylvania Chapter
Colorado Jobs with Justice
Colorado Progressive Coalition
Communications Workers of America District 1 (NJ, NY, MA, CT, RI, VT, NH, ME)
Communications Workers of America Local 1101 (NY)
Communications Workers of America Local 1103 (NY)
Communications Workers of America Local 1108 (NY)
Communications Workers of America Local 1109 (NY)
Communications Workers of America Local 1111 (NY)
Communications Workers of America Local 1115 (NY)
Communications Workers of America Local 1168 (NY)
Communications Workers of America Local 2201 (VA)
Communications Workers of America Local 37083 (WA)
Communications Workers of America Local 4250 (IL)
Communications Workers of America Local 4900 (IN)
Communications Workers of America Local 7011 (NM)
Communications Workers of America Local 7901 (OR)
Community Agroecology Network (CA)
Community Alliance for Global Justice (WA)
Dakota Resource Council
Dallas AFL-CIO (TX)
Dallas Amnesty International (TX)
Detroit Metro AFL-CIO (MI)
Detroit - Democratic Socialists of America
Democratic Socialists of America

Economic Justice Action Group of the First Unitarian Church of Portland (OR)
El Paso Central Labor Council (TX)
Environmental Health Coalition (CA)
Eugene Springfield Solidarity Network (OR)
Fair Trade for All (WI)
Family Farm Defenders (WI)
Fiscal Policy Project, New Mexico Voices for Children
Florida Alliance of Retired Americans
Florida State AFL-CIO
Food and Medicine (ME)
Four Corners of the World (WI)
Galveston County AFL-CIO (TX)
Globalization Forum of Houston (TX)
Grand Valley Peace and Justice, Grand Junction (CO)
Greater Columbus Jobs with Justice (OH)
Greater Kansas City Fair Trade Coalition (KS, MO)
Green Delaware
Harris County AFL-CIO Council (TX)
Houston Peace and Justice Center (TX)
Illinois Stewardship Alliance
Indiana Farmers Union
Interfaith Worker Justice - Metro Detroit (MI)
International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers Connecticut State Council of Machinists
International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers Oregon State Council of Machinists
International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers District 15 (NY, NJ, PA, MA)
International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers District 26 (CT, RI)
International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers District 66 (WI)
International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers District 751 (WA)
International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers Local Lodge 1115 (WI)
International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers Local Lodge 1771 (WI)
International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers Local Lodge 21 (WI)
International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers Local Lodge 971 (FL)
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers District 3 (PA, NY, DE, NJ)
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers District 6 (IL, IN, MI, MN, WI)
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers New York State Association of Electrical Workers (NY)
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers New Jersey State Association Electrical Workers (NJ)
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Pennsylvania State Electrical Workers Association (PA)
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Texas State Association of Electrical Workers (TX)
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 103 (MA)
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 106 (NY)
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 1228 (MA)
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 1253 (ME)
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 1316 (GA)
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 1501 (MD)
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 1805 (MD)
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 1957 (PA)
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 208 (CT)
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 21 (IL)
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 2222 (MA)
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 2326 (VT)
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 236 (NY)
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 24 (MD)
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 280 (OR)
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 289 (NC)
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 295 (AR)

International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 3 (NY)
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 300 (VT)
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 35 (CT)
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 363 (NY)
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 42 (CT)
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 455 (MA)
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 457(CT)
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 481 (IN)
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 486 (MA)
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 488 (CT)
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 50 (VA)
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 531 (IN)
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 520 (TX)
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 567 (ME)
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 611 (NM)
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 668 (IN)
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 7 (MA)
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 701 (IL)
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 702 (IL)
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 716 (TX)
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 725 (IN)
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 812 (PA)
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 83 (NY)
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 90 (CT)
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 969 (CO)
International Brotherhood of Teamsters Joint Council 32 (MN)
International Brotherhood of Teamsters Joint Council 42 (CA)
International Brotherhood of Teamsters Local 200 (WI)
International Brotherhood of Teamsters Local 340 (ME)
International Brotherhood of Teamsters Local 381 (CA)
Iowa and Cedar Valley United for Peace & Justice (IA)
IUE-CWA Local 201 (MA)
IUE-CWA Local 86023 (TX)
IUE-CWA Local 86780 (TX)
JOBS NOW Coalition (MN)
Kentucky Jobs with Justice
Kickapoo Peace Circle (WI)
Labor Council for Latin American Advancement Albany/Capital District Chapter (NY)
Labor Council for Latin American Advancement Massachusetts Chapter
Laborers International Union of North America District Council of Minnesota and North Dakota
Laborers International Union of North America Local 327 (ME)
Laborers International Union of North America Local 429 (MA)
Laborers International Union of North America Local 517 (FL)
Labor-Religion Coalition of New York State (NY)
League of Rural Voters (MN)
Maine Council of Senior Citizens
Maine Fair Trade Campaign
Maine Labor Group on Health
Maine People's Alliance
Maine State AFL-CIO
Maine State Employees Association MSEA-SEIU Local 1989
Marin Interfaith Task Force on the Americas (CA)
Maryland and District of Columbia AFL-CIO
Massachusetts Jobs with Justice
Michigan Farmers Union

Milwaukee Area Central Labor Council (WI)
Milwaukee Clean Clothes Campaign (WI)
Milwaukee Fair Trade Coalition (WI)
Minnesota Fair Trade Coalition
Minnesota Farmers Union
Missouri Rural Crisis Center
Movement for Peace in Colombia (NY)
New York Fair Trade Coalition
New York Sustainable Agriculture Working Group
New York Working Families Party
North Shore Central Labor Council (MA)
North Texas Jobs with Justice
Northeastern Illinois Federation of Labor (IL)
Ohio ACORN
Ohio Conference on Fair Trade
Ohio Environmental Council
Ohio Farmers Union
Oregon Fair Trade Coalition
Palm Beach-Treasure Coast AFL-CIO (FL)
Peace through InterAmerican Community Action - PICA (ME)
Peninsula Peace and Justice Center (CA)
Pennsylvania Anti Sweatshop Coalition
Pennsylvania Fair Trade Coalition
Pennsylvania Farmers Union
Pennsylvania State AFL-CIO
People Organized in Defense of Earth & Resources - PODER (TX)
Pierce County Central Labor Council (WA)
Pittsburgh Anti Sweatshop Community Alliance (PA)
Progressive Jewish Alliance (CA)
Progressive Maryland
Rhode Island Jobs with Justice
Rocky Mountain Farmers Union
Rocky Mountain Peace and Justice Center (CO)
Rural Organizing Project (OR)
San Antonio Central Labor Council (TX)
San Diego and Imperial Counties Central Labor Council (CA)
San Joaquin and Calaveras Counties Central Labor Council (CA)
Service Employees International Union Minnesota State Council
Service Employees International Union Wisconsin State Council
Southern Methodist University Amnesty International of Dallas (TX)
South Carolina AFL-CIO
South Central Federation of Labor (WI)
South Florida AFL-CIO
South Florida Jobs with Justice
Southern Methodist University Human Rights Education of Dallas (TX)
Southern Oregon Central Labor Council
Southern Oregon Jobs with Justice
SPEEA/IFPTE Local 2001 (WA)
Saint Ignatius Martyr Catholic Church of Austin (TX)
Steelworkers of America Retirees (OH)
Sweatfree Northwest Campaign (OR)
Sweatfree Ohio Campaign
Talkeetna Environmental Center (AK)
Tarrant County Central Labor Council (TX)
Texas AFT

Texas Alliance for Retired Americans
Texas Building & Construction Trades Council
Texas Fair Trade Coalition
Thomas Merton Center (PA)
Toledo Jobs with Justice (OH)
Tower of Youth (CA)
Trade Justice New York Metro (NY)
Trade Unionists in Solidarity with Colombia - TUSC (NY)
Transport Workers Union of America - Texas
UNITE HERE Mid-Atlantic Regional Joint Board (DC, DE, MD, NJ, PA, VA, WV)
UNITE HERE New York Metropolitan Area Joint Board
UNITE HERE Rochester Regional Joint Board (NY)
UNITE HERE Southern Region (GA, FL, NC, SC, KY, AL, MS, TN, VA)
UNITE HERE Southwest Region (AR, LA, OK, NM, TX)
UNITE HERE Carolinas/Virginia District (NC, SC, VA)
UNITE HERE Georgia District
UNITE HERE Minnesota State Council
UNITE HERE Ohio State Council
UNITE HERE Local 181 (KY)
United Auto Workers Massachusetts State CAP Council
United Auto Workers Minnesota State CAP Council
United Auto Workers Local 2162 (NV)
United Brotherhood of Carpenters Pacific Northwest Regional Council of Carpenters (WA)
United Brotherhood of Carpenters Local 1098 (LA)
United Brotherhood of Carpenters Local 133 (IN)
United Brotherhood of Carpenters Local 2337 (WI)
United Food and Commercial Workers Local 1059 (OH)
United Food and Commercial Workers Local 1459 (MA)
United Food and Commercial Workers Local 1546 (IL)
United Food and Commercial Workers Local 21 (WA)
United Food and Commercial Workers Local 789 (MN)
United Steelworkers District 7 (IN, IL)
United Steelworkers District 12 (AK, AZ, CA, CO, HI, ID, NM, NV, OR, UT, WA)
United Steelworkers District 11 Iowa Sub-District (IA)
United Steelworkers District 11 Minnesota Sub-District (MN)
United Steelworkers District 12 California Sub-District (CA)
United Steelworkers District 12 Washington Sub-District (WA)
United Steelworkers District 13 Texas Sub-District (TX)
United Steelworkers Oregon Legislative & Education Committee
United Steelworkers Local 2635 (PA)
United Steelworkers Local 10-1 (PA)
United Steelworkers Local 1157L (TX)
United Steelworkers Local 1188 (ME)
United Steelworkers Local 12213 (IN)
United Steelworkers Local 15173 (IN)
United Steelworkers Local 2737 (OH)
United Steelworkers Local 2958 (IN)
United Steelworkers Local 4895 (TX)
United Steelworkers Local 6805 (IN)
United Steelworkers Local 7-00164 (IN)
United Steelworkers Local 7-113 (IN)
United Steelworkers Local 7-154 (IN)
United Steelworkers Local 7-706 (IN)
United Steelworkers Local 8378 (OR)
United Steelworkers Local 9 (ME)

University of Houston Students Against Sweatshops
University of Houston Students for Fair Trade
Utah Jobs with Justice
Valley Watch (IN)
Vermont Workers Center
Washington Fair Trade Coalition
Western Maine Central Labor Council
Western Organization of Resource Councils – WORC (CO, ID, MT, ND, OR, SD, WY)
Western Pennsylvania Jobs with Justice
Western Pennsylvania Labor & Religion Coalition
Westside Progressives (CA)
Wisconsin Fair Trade Coalition
Wisconsin Farmers Union
Wisconsin State AFL-CIO
Witness for Peace Southeast
Witness for Peace Upper Midwest
Workers Interfaith Network (TN)
Working Families Win Iowa
Working Families Win New Hampshire
York-Adams County Central Labor Council (PA)