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WASHINGTON - Positive comments keep rolling in for new EPA Administrator Scott Pruitt. Read the latest:

Jay Vroom, President and CEO, CropLife America

“EPA needs an effective leader, un-swayed by the whims of unscientific fear campaigns. Through his service to the great state of Oklahoma, Administrator Pruitt has shown that he carefully listens to the needs of agriculture and other constituents and works to get policy outcomes that adhere to science and law. We are eager to share our priority issues with the new leadership at EPA, including the need for rigor in examining studies used in human health risk assessments. After Sonny Perdue is confirmed as Secretary of Agriculture, we can all focus on getting farmers the finest technology that science can bring.”

Jim Matheson, CEO, National Rural Electric Cooperative Association

“We congratulate Scott Pruitt on his confirmation and look forward to working with him on proposals that protect our environment and promote a healthy economy. EPA regulations have an enormous impact on electric co-ops and small businesses throughout rural America. We hope the agency will work with us to review these impacts and ensure that future regulations allow cooperatives the freedom and flexibility to continue providing safe, affordable, and reliable power to families and businesses across the nation.”

U.S. Representative Lamar Smith (TX)

“I congratulate Administrator Scott Pruitt on his confirmation to take the helm of the Environmental Protection Agency. Mr. Pruitt will be a tremendous leader in bringing together states, industry, and stakeholders to help decide what measures and rules work best for them. Mr. Pruitt will be an invaluable asset in resetting the agenda on environmental improvement as we move forward. I look forward to working with the Trump administration and Administrator Pruitt in bringing our country out of an era of red tape and into a more transparent age based on sound science.”

Chet Thompson, President and CEO, American Fuel & Petrochemical

Manufacturers

"We congratulate Administrator Pruitt on his confirmation as the next Administrator of EPA. His experience and leadership skills will be an asset to EPA and the country. We are confident that Administrator Pruitt understands that environmental protection, economic growth, and energy security are not mutually exclusive, but rather require reasonable balancing. Under his leadership, we can realize the President's America First Energy Plan, which embraces our country's potential to be an energy superpower while simultaneously protecting the environment."

Tom Kuhn, President, Edison Electric Institute

"EEl congratulates EPA Administrator Pruitt on his confirmation, and we look forward to engaging with him on environmental policy issues important to our industry. EEl's member companies are committed to a healthy environment and to a clean and affordable energy future. Today, EEl's member companies are making significant investments in diverse energy resources, including clean coal, natural gas, nuclear, solar, wind, and energy efficiency. We will continue to advocate for policies that maintain a diverse and balanced energy mix, which is critical to the reliable, affordable electricity our customers expect."

Ryan Quarles, Kentucky Commissioner of Agriculture

"I want to congratulate Attorney General Scott Pruitt on his confirmation by the U.S Senate today as the new Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency. Administrator Pruitt is a native Kentuckian who we hope will lead the EPA in the right direction working to restore transparency and cooperative federalism among state governments and the farming communities they represent. I look forward to working with the Administrator on policies that will both protect our environment and strengthen our nation's farm economy."

Ronnie Lee, Chairman, National Cotton Council

"I look forward to the day very soon that farmers can spend more time producing crops and less time worrying about how to comply with onerous, overly burdensome regulations and doing paperwork. The cotton industry looks forward to working with Administrator Pruitt as he leads EPA in a way to help ensure a safe and healthy environment alongside a strong and viable agricultural sector."

Energy and Commerce Committee Chairman Greg Walden (R-OR) and Environment Subcommittee Chairman John Shimkus (R-IL)

"We'd first like to congratulate Mr. Pruitt on his appointment to head the EPA. Administrator Pruitt understands the challenges states may face in implementing complex federal environmental requirements, and the importance of cooperation between states and the EPA in carrying out our nation's environmental laws. We look forward to working with him as we consider potential legislation to

modernize our environmental laws in order to protect public health and our environment while also ensuring we have a strong and thriving economy.”