



AMERICAN MASK MANUFACTURER'S ASSOCIATION

AMMA represents the 26 small business Mask Manufacturers that answered America's call for emergency PPE during the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic.



America's Response to Pandemic PPE Shortages

THESE COMPANIES ARE NOW AT RISK OF GOING OUT OF BUSINESS.

UNMASKING CHINA'S ANTICOMPETITIVE PRACTICES

UNDERCUTTING COST

China is selling masks for less than the price of the materials needed to make them.



CHINESE MASKS

1¢ PRICE FOR RECENTLY SOLD MASKS IN THE USA

CHINESE MASKS FAIL STANDARDS

The Emergency Care Research Institute (ECRI) found that 70% of Chinese KN95 masks tested failed to meet minimum standards, concluding that "U.S. hospitals bought hundreds of thousands of masks produced in China [that] aren't safe and effective against the spread of COVID-19."



SUPPLY CHAIN SUBSIDIZATION

There is \$1.50 worth of polypropylene plastic material in every pound of meltblown, the nonwoven filter material required for masks.



Chinese meltblown math
\$1.22/lb (price) - \$1.50/lb (material cost) = Loss of 28¢

AS A RESULT, U.S. STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND PRIVATE HEALTHCARE SYSTEMS HAVE FILLED THEIR WAREHOUSES WITH CHEAP, INEFFECTIVE CHINESE PRODUCTS THAT PUT OUR CITIZENS AT RISK.

TIME IS RUNNING OUT FOR AMERICAN PPE PRODUCTION

54% OF PRODUCTION WILL STOP IN 60 DAYS

84.6% OF PRODUCTION WILL STOP BY 2022

2,647 JOBS ALREADY LOST

260 MILLION MASKS NOW SIT UNUSED

URGENT CALL TO ACTION

1 REVOKE NON-USA MADE APPROVAL

Immediately remove the FDA's EUA for non-U.S. based manufacturers, as we have demonstrated that there is ample U.S. production and supply.

2 MANDATE FEDERAL SPENDING

Immediately require the federal government, and anyone receiving federal dollars for PPE reimbursement, to buy Berry-Amendment Compliant masks.

3 BUY DOMESTIC STOCKPILE

Federal government should buy the existing 260M masks currently sitting in U.S. manufacturers' warehouses.

4 UPDATE PROCUREMENT REGULATIONS

A law or regulatory action requiring hospitals and organization that accept federal funds to purchase 40% of their PPE from domestic manufacturers by 2023. This will bring investment to every level of our industry and allow the market to do its job.

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