

CO2 Solutions Coalition Forms To Prevent Carbon Dioxide Supply Shortages For Essential Industries

[Washington, DC] – The CO2 Solutions Coalition has launched as a groundbreaking initiative to educate lawmakers, regulators, and the public about the necessary and beneficial uses of carbon dioxide (CO2) in diverse and essential applications across the economy in light of recent shortages facing end-users of CO2 and causing direct impacts on American consumers.

Led by the Compressed Gas Association, this coalition brings together industry leaders, experts, and stakeholders committed to reducing CO2 emissions in the atmosphere, dedicated to advancing the responsible use of CO2, maximizing the benefits of innovative carbon capture and utilization technologies, and safeguarding America's delicate supply chain.

Founding members include the American Beverage Association (ABA), International Beverage Dispensing Equipment Association (IBDEA), and Gas and Welding Distributors Association (GAWDA). The Coalition also has active participation from key industry groups like the Meat Institute, National Turkey Federation, National Pork Producers Council, Brewers Association, Beer Institute, and American Frozen Foods Institute.

Carbon dioxide is used in myriad applications invisible but essential to society, including food freezing and processing, beverage carbonation, welding and infrastructure, medical procedures and vaccine transportation, fire suppression, semiconductor production, and more. The coalition will educate policymakers on potential pitfalls and opportunities to reduce or mitigate any unintended consequences from policies seeking to reduce CO2 emissions that may disrupt supply to end-users and American consumers in these sectors, causing shortages of essential goods and services.

Rich Gottwald, President and CEO of the Compressed Gas Association, expressed his enthusiasm for the CO2 Solutions Coalition: "We are thrilled to launch this collaborative effort to safeguard the many critical uses of carbon dioxide. As we work towards a low-carbon economy, it is crucial that we leverage the power of carbon capture and utilization technologies while avoiding any unintended harm. The CO2 Solutions Coalition will serve as a bridge between industry, regulators, and lawmakers, fostering productive dialogue and ensuring that policies are well-balanced and impactful."

The CO2 Solutions Coalition will actively engage with legislators, regulators, and relevant stakeholders to provide accurate information, share best practices, and advocate for a holistic approach to carbon dioxide management. By encouraging the exploration of sustainable applications of CO2 and fostering collaboration among diverse sectors, the coalition aims to drive positive change and contribute to a more sustainable and resilient future.

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