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EXEMPTION: National Emission
Standards for Hazardous Air
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Dear Administrator, Hon. Lee M. Zeldin:

On behalf of Cleveland-Cliffs Inc., please see the attached request for a two-year Presidential exemption for the **National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants: Taconite Iron Ore Processing, EPA Docket No. EPA-HQ-OAR-2017-0664, RIN 2060-AT05, 89 Fed. Reg. 16,408 (March 6, 2024)**. We are requesting a two-year Presidential exemption from the current compliance dates in accordance with CAA § 112(i)(4) for the six Major Source Taconite Iron Ore Processing facilities that Cleveland-Cliffs operates in Minnesota and Michigan.

Granting the extension will not result in any unacceptable risks to the public or the environment because EPA has determined that the source category presents an acceptable risk to human health with an ample margin of safety with the present controls, requirements, and limits already in effect.

Also attached are three referenced **Congressional letters** which support the request for a **Presidential exemption of steel manufacturers and related supply chains from:**

- National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants: Integrated Iron and Steel Manufacturing Facilities Technology Review (89 FR 23294; April 3, 2024)
- National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants: Lime Manufacturing Plants Technology Review, EPA Docket No. OAR-2017-0015, RIN 2060-AV59, 89 Fed. Reg. 57,738
- National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants for Coke Ovens: Pushing, Quenching, and Battery Stacks, and Coke Oven Batteries: Residual Risk and Technology Review, and Periodic Technology Review (89 FR 55684; July 5, 2024) (Coke Ovens Rule)
- National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants: Taconite Iron Ore Processing, EPA Docket No. EPA Docket No. EPA-HQ-OAR-2017-0664, RIN 2060-AT05, 89 Fed. Reg. 16,408 (March 6, 2024)

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Best Regards,



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