



June 1, 2016

Mr. William R. Lievens  
Executive Director  
Foundry Association of Michigan  
P.O. Box 14304  
Lansing, Michigan 48901

Dear William:

Your contribution of \$5,000.00 to the Silica Appeal Initiative is greatly appreciated. AFS truly appreciates you standing by our industry as we challenge OSHA's New Silica Rule that, in its current flawed state, would cause great harm to the U.S. Metalcasting Industry. AFS member companies like yours place the highest priority on the safety and health of their employees, however, this rule does not significantly contribute to an improvement in worker safety and health while crippling many foundries within our industry.

My sincerest thank you for your support.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Doug Kurkul". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Doug Kurkul  
CEO

**Doug Kurkul, CEO**

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