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The Honorable John Boehner
Speaker
United States House of Representatives

The Honorable Harry Reid
Majority Leader
United States Senate

Dear Speaker Boehner and Leader Reid:

The National Roofing Contractors Association (NRCA) strongly urges the House and Senate to work together to enact a full one-year extension of the payroll tax rate reduction, like that originally passed by the House on December 13, 2011 (H.R. 3630). The much-needed reforms and short-term tax relief provided in that legislation is important to employees and employers during these tough economic times.

As was asserted in the letter sent today to the House Ways and Means and Senate Finance Committees by the National Payroll Reporting Consortium (NPRC), NRCA is concerned that the proposed two-month extension would cause “substantial problems, confusion and costs” for employers. As the NPRC states, many payroll systems would simply not be able to make the programming changes that the proposed two-month extension would require. This would impose an undue burden on employers in the form of logistical difficulties and costs.

Rather than enacting a two-month extension, NRCA urges Congress to instead follow the traditional and appropriate procedures and allow the House and Senate to enact policies that will last the full year so that businesses have predictable, certain policies with which to deal.

NRCA commends you for your leadership and continued efforts on this important issue. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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