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To Whom It May Concern:

On behalf of the Greenhouse Gas Management Institute, I want to thank the USEPA on their ongoing work to rigorously quantify and publicly report emissions and removals of greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions from the United States. Since President George H.W. Bush signed the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) in 1992, the United States has dutifully fulfilled its treaty commitment to preparing an annual inventory of GHG emissions and removals.

The GHG inventory program at the USEPA has been an international leader in developing good practice for this scientific process. Specifically, many of the methodologies encoded in the international guidelines published by the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) got their start through technical work lead by the USEPA.

This 2017 report, specifically, presents valuable developments in the integration of facility level data from the GHG Mandatory Reporting Program as well as important technical work to better understand methane emissions from the petroleum and natural gas industries.

The USEPA GHG inventory program has always upheld a strong standard for scientific rigor and unbiased analysis. Many government programs, including those operating within the USEPA itself, would like to have their activities featured and promoted in the U.S. inventory. Yet, over the 20 years of annual reporting, USEPA's GHG inventory program has always focused on unbiased technical rigor, while also striving to inform both the technical community and public at large with clear data and insightful analysis.

We comment the USEPA on this 20th annual publication.

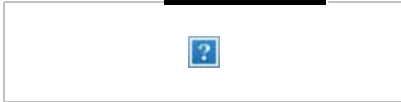
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