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DEPA REQUESTS THE EPA WITHDRAW THE PROPOSED EPA METHANE REGULATIONS

"We suggest that this is revisited giving sufficient time for reconsideration of the background information and assumptions drawn."

On Monday, the Domestic Energy Producers' Alliance (DEPA) and a nationwide coalition of independent oil and natural gas producers submitted comments on the EPA's proposed New Source Performance Standards (NSPS) and Emissions Guidelines for oil and natural gas operations that were published in November. DEPA included a short additional "Me Too" letter highlighting some of the most important topics of the larger Producers Coalition comments document.

"We agree with the EPA goals of health and environmental safety and have always been in support of finding safer ways of producing oil and gas for use by the American people and the citizens of the world," said DEPA CEO and President Jerry Simmons. "We hope the EPA will take into consideration the advances that the industry has made regarding human health and the environment as well as the safety of employees, as well as local and global neighbors. We believe that oil and gas can be produced and conveyed to market safer now than ever before and are continuing to look for ways to improve. With this in mind, we hope the EPA will revisit some of the proposed regulations they have offered."

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DEPA is a nationwide collaboration of 39 coalition associations – from California to West Virginia, Texas to Montana – representing individuals and companies engaged in domestic onshore oil and natural gas exploration and production. DEPA is a non-partisan association seeking common ground, and in common sense solutions to the challenges facing American oil and natural gas production.