Washington, D.C., March 28, 2017 – National Association of Manufacturers (NAM) President and CEO Jay Timmons today joined President Donald Trump at the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) where the president signed an executive order rolling back several energy regulations impeding manufacturers’ ability to succeed:

“Manufacturers use one-third of the energy in the United States, which means we need an all-of-the-above policy approach to energy, not one that picks winners and losers. President Trump just delivered a decisive win for every American who wants to see more manufacturing jobs in our country and true energy security. For years, Washington has sold a false choice to the American people: choose the environment or jobs.

“That false choice today gives way to a ‘show-and-tell’ story—about our ability to protect the environment and create jobs simultaneously—that manufacturers are eager to lead.

“American families have suffered at the hands of far-reaching regulations; 297,696 federal restrictions on manufacturers alone have stifled job creation and reduced the capital that is spent on innovating new technologies to improve our environment even more. Thanks to the groundbreaking innovation of manufacturers, including energy producers, we have reduced emissions by 10 percent since 2005, while our value to the economy has increased by 19 percent over that same time period.
“The immense regulatory burden on manufacturers certainly drove the NAM’s Manufacturers’ Center for Legal Action to lead the charge to stop, and in fact, halt, the previous administration’s so-called Clean Power Plan—an unprecedented power grab by Washington that would have devastated our nation’s reliable and affordable energy advantage and targeted the jobs of many hardworking Americans. Today, those jobs are safe.

“President Trump and manufacturers know that Americans have the capacity to create more manufacturing jobs, make American energy secure and unleash innovation for a better environment all at once. We are grateful the president kept another campaign promise.”

Learn more about manufacturers’ priorities for balancing energy and environmental regulations here.

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