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Dear GPI Members:

As I am sure you and your companies have, GPI continues to follow and monitor activity, developments and impacted travel to conferences/industry events, due to COVID-19. Through the association's membership with the National Association of Manufacturers (NAM), GPI has been receiving regular updates on disruptions, along with Congressional and Executive actions in response to the virus. The NAM has created a webpage to house all developments, federal policies and related actions, including a recent NAM Membership survey of anticipated business impacts. Click here to view this information.

Of note, the travel restrictions announced by the Administration yesterday, and taking effect tomorrow, related to travel from EU nations to the US do not apply to goods and products being imported into the U.S.

U.S. regulatory authority and official guidance covering COVID-19 is provided by the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). The CDC's interim guidance for businesses and employers, along with other information, may be accessed by clicking here.

**GPI Spring Membership Meeting**

We are actively monitoring the national government response to COVID-19, but as of now, GPI continues to plan for our Spring Membership meeting in Atlanta May 6-8th. We encourage all members to register for the event, by clicking here. We understand that many companies and jurisdictions are limiting non-essential travel, but most of those currently extend to the next 30 days or less. Please rest assured that if any adjustments need to be made to the conference, financial costs related to the conference will be credited and a final decision on the meeting will be provided to members by the middle of April.

**Industry Conferences & Events**

Through our Calendar of Events page, GPI has updated information on postponed/cancelled or otherwise modified industry conferences and events, as GPI and member companies attend and present at these conferences around the country. Click here to view the latest update. We will update this link frequently, providing additional information as known.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to me directly; 703-684-6359, sdeffie@gpi.org, or Bryan Vickers with GPI's member services department, bvickers@pacellp.com, 703-403-2882.
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