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Mr. Nick Rhoad  
Executive Director, Indiana Professional Licensing Agency  
200 W. Washington St., Room W072  
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204

Dear Mr. Rhoad:

On behalf of the more than 32,000 members of the National Society of Professional Engineers (NSPE), I am following up on NSPE's attached June 26<sup>th</sup> letter urging the Indiana Job Creation Committee (JCC) to reverse its recommendation to eliminate the licensing of engineers in the State of Indiana and include this reversal in the final version of the JCC's report to the Governor.

As stated in our June 26<sup>th</sup> letter, eliminating licensure of Professional Engineers in the state of Indiana will have tremendous repercussions both for the citizens of the Hoosier State as well as all other states and territories in our nation. In fact, the proposed elimination of engineering licensure in the state of Indiana will effectively destroy Indiana's link to a national system of engineering licensure that exists in all states and territories, undermine the interests of all Indiana's licensed Professional Engineers and place Indiana's economic competitiveness at a huge disadvantage.

The proposal to eliminate licensure is not supported by the record of the committee's proceedings and comments since the report's publication, from all stakeholder groups and perspectives, have argued against such a step. The JCC plans to hold a hearing to learn more about the issue on August 20<sup>th</sup>. The Indiana Society of Professional Engineers (ISPE) will articulate the absolutely necessity of maintaining the current system of licensure. NSPE urges you to act upon ISPE's recommendation.

We appreciate the opportunity to provide this comment. We kindly request that both this letter and the attached letter dated June 26, 2015 be submitted to the Indiana Job Creation Committee and be included as part of the formal record for the JCC's August 20<sup>th</sup> meeting. Should you have any questions, comments or concerns regarding this issue please feel free to contact Scott Haraburda, Ph.D., P.E., F.NSPE, Immediate Past-President of the Indiana Society of Professional Engineers Scott at [scott@haraburda.us](mailto:scott@haraburda.us), Amy Barrett, P.E., F.NSPE, President of the Indiana Society of Professional Engineers at [abarrett@haferassociates.com](mailto:abarrett@haferassociates.com) or Arielle Eiser, NSPE's Senior Manager of Government Relations at [aeiser@nspe.org](mailto:aeiser@nspe.org).

Sincerely,

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