

# Citizens Trade Campaign

*working together for social and environmental justice in trade policy*

## Welcoming a New Day on Trade and Globalization Policy

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The Honorable Ron Kirk  
United States Trade Representative  
600 17th Street, N.W.  
Washington, DC 20508

**Dear Ambassador Kirk,**

Congratulations on your appointment as U.S. Trade Representative. The labor, faith, family farm, consumer and environmental organizations within Citizens Trade Campaign (CTC), including our state and local affiliates, our twelve million combined members, and over 350 of our allies in the trade reform movement listed below, look forward to working with you and the Obama Administration on the promise of change realized in the recent election.

Our members know one of the greatest challenges facing our nation is creating new trade and globalization policies that serve America's workers, consumers, farmers and firms. Rebalancing our trade policies so that they create and retain good jobs here at home -- along with fostering sustainable and equitable development worldwide -- is an urgent challenge. The dramatic economic downturn caused in part by the lack of prudent global regulation of commerce, and massive trade and financial imbalances, demonstrates why America needs a new way on trade. It will be challenging to remedy the considerable damage that our past policies have wrought, however we are confident that working together, we can replace the failed trade policies of the past with those that deliver broadly shared benefits.

The recent election demonstrated a relentless demand from the American public for trade reform. Across the country, from the presidency to both chambers of Congress, successful candidates in 2008 ran against the failed status quo and for a new approach. With this election, 42 newly elected senators and representatives committed to changing our past trade model. They join over two dozen fair traders elected in 2006 -- making a combined total of 72 fair-trade reformers who replaced those supporting the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA), the Central America Free Trade Agreement (CAFTA) and our current China trade policies. The unprecedented election focus on reform reflects the public opinion that America's trade model needs a major overhaul. Nearly three-quarters of Americans believe that a "free trade agreement" has had a negative effect on their families. Majorities oppose NAFTA across every demographic. GOP voters, by a two-to-one majority, agree that "[f]oreign trade has been bad for the U.S. economy, because imports from abroad have reduced demand for American-made goods, cost jobs here at home, and produced potentially unsafe products."

As the new Congress begins, we look forward to working with you and the Obama administration to seize this exciting opportunity to create better rules for our trade and globalization policy.

**- Correcting U.S. - China Commercial Relations:** A key priority is speedy passage of legislation that applies our trade laws to counter China's currency manipulation. We also are eager to work with you to support the administration as it prioritizes remedying this pervasive problem by engaging China at the highest level. Our immense trade imbalance with China -- \$266 billion in 2008 -- is but one of the harmful effects of China's currency devaluation policy. The *yuan* is substantially undervalued. Fair trade is not possible when currency policy manipulates the price of Chinese goods, flooding our markets with imports while pricing U.S. goods out of China.

Further, President Bush's last-minute negotiations with China to establish a new Bilateral Investment Treaty (BIT) should be halted, with priority and resources shifted to resolving the currency issue. With many in Congress calling for an end to existing loopholes that promote offshoring, the United States should not engage in negotiations of a treaty

designed to provide new protections to assist U.S. firms' relocation of investment and jobs to China. The BIT would also empower Chinese firms, including state-owned firms, to increase purchases of U.S. assets under preferential terms with new rights to skirt U.S. courts and use foreign tribunals to challenge regulation of Chinese firms operating here. This is not the change in trade policy the public demanded in this election.

We are also eager to work with Congress and the Obama administration to create new import-safety policies to ensure that food and goods coming from China (and all countries) meet U.S. safety and inspection requirements as a condition of entering our market and homes, where our families are exposed to unacceptable risks from imported products under current policy.

- **The WTO Doha Round Agenda:** We are excited to work with you and the Obama administration to create a new agenda for future global trade talks aimed at addressing the existing problems in the current World Trade Organization (WTO) rules. Talks on the long-beleaguered "Doha Round" agenda should be halted. The Doha Round, if concluded, would expand the damage the WTO has already wrought. Since establishment of the WTO and NAFTA, the U.S. trade deficit jumped exponentially from under \$100 billion to over \$700 billion – nearly 5 percent of national income. At the same time, U.S. real median wage growth has flattened despite impressive productivity gains. President Obama's goal of adding labor rights to WTO is not even on the Doha Round agenda. Meanwhile, among the concessions demanded of the United States under the current talks are both the unacceptable weakening of existing U.S. domestic trade laws and the WTO-binding of additional guaranteed U.S. visas for foreign workers seeking employment here. Moreover, a key element of the Doha Round agenda is further service-sector deregulation and liberalization – including financial services and energy. As Congress and the world at large struggle to reregulate financial services and create new energy policies to ensure our nation's future, it is extremely counterproductive to permit imposition of new WTO limits on the domestic policy space needed in these critical areas. Indeed, a new WTO negotiating agenda must focus on creating the flexibilities needed to address the critical issues of our time, including policies to counter global climate change.

- **Hangover Bush Administration Free Trade Agreements (FTAs):** The Free Trade Agreements with Colombia, Panama and Korea represent more-of-the-same trade-agreement model promoted by the previous administration. During the campaign, President Obama described changes to NAFTA and the NAFTA model FTAs that he would achieve through renegotiations of some existing agreements. The issues he raised have been the basis of congressional opposition to NAFTA-style pacts: excessive foreign-investor privileges and private enforcement systems, limits on domestic procurement policy and food safety protections, and more. President Obama's promise to renegotiate NAFTA, CAFTA and other pacts – and the longstanding interest by many in Congress to improve the U.S. trade-agreement model – provides a long-overdue opportunity for in-depth reviews of the existing FTAs and the much-needed debate about what policies all U.S. trade agreements should and should not include. Getting the rules right is critical before considering any future agreements, much less before negotiating additional pacts. Thus, for instance, the Bush Administration's new FTA negotiations launched in late 2008 with the Trans-Pacific Free Trade Agreement (Australia, Brunei, Chile, New Zealand, Peru, Singapore and Vietnam) should be halted

While the three Bush FTAs contain some improvements relative to NAFTA, many of the most serious problems of the previous trade agreement model are replicated in the three Bush FTAs and must be addressed. The failure to remove these problematic provisions means these pacts do not pass the most conservative "*do no further harm*" test.

- **Foreign-Investor Rights.** The investment chapters of the three Bush FTAs still afford foreign investors greater rights than those enjoyed by U.S. investors here at home. These three pacts' investment chapters contain the same provisions in CAFTA that led many Democrats to oppose that pact and that President-elect Obama cited as problematic during the campaign. Such provisions promote off-shoring, and subject our domestic environmental, zoning, health and other public interest policies to challenge by foreign investors in foreign tribunals.
- **Food-Safety Provisions.** The Bush FTAs still contain language requiring the United States to limit import inspection and accept imported food that does not meet our domestic safety standards.
- **Procurement Provisions.** The Bush FTAs procurement rules subject many common federal and state procurement policies to challenge and directly forbid other common procurement policies. These procurement rules continue the NAFTA/CAFTA ban on anti-offshoring and many Buy America policies, and expose U.S. renewable-energy, recycled-content and other environmental safety requirements to challenge. These terms must be changed to provide the policy space for the many exciting "Green Economy" proposals promoted by President-elect Obama during his campaign.

- **Agriculture Provisions.** The FTAs contain the NAFTA-style agriculture trade rules that have simultaneously undermined U.S. producers' ability to earn a fair price for their crops at home and in the global marketplace. Multinational grain-trading and food-processing companies have made enormous profits, while farmers on both ends have been hurt. If this model is continued, hunger is projected to increase, along with illicit drug cultivation, and undocumented migration. Moreover, it would be an extension of the race to the bottom in commodity prices, pitting farmer against farmer and country against country to see who can produce food the cheapest, regardless of labor, environment or food-safety standards.
- **Access to Medicines.** While the most egregious, CAFTA-based terms limiting access to affordable medicines have been removed from the Bush FTAs, the texts still include NAFTA-style terms that undermine the right to affordable medicines that were contained in the WTO's Doha Declaration.

In addition to the NAFTA-style provisions contained in Bush's Colombia, Panama and Korea FTAs, each agreement poses its own considerable problems.

**The Colombia FTA:** For instance, labor and human rights conditions in Colombia have worsened: the rate of unionist assassinations in 2008 is up relative to 2007. Additionally, there are growing revelations about the Uribe administration's links to rightwing paramilitaries responsible for assassinations of unionists, Afro-Colombian and indigenous community leaders. During Uribe's time in office, 482 unionists have been murdered. More than 2,690 Colombian trade unionists have been killed since 1986. Convictions have been reported in only 90 of the 2690 trade-union homicide cases -- leaving impunity at 96 percent. It is critical to send a signal to the world that the United States has a zero-tolerance policy regarding assassination of people seeking to exercise their basic labor and human rights.

**The Panama FTA:** Meanwhile, Panama's economy thrives on banking secrecy and money laundering. Panama's "comparative advantage" is the ease with which U.S. companies can create local subsidiaries there for the purpose of dodging U.S. taxes. With 350,000 registered corporations, Panama is second only to Hong Kong as a home for multinational firms' subsidiaries -- many created for the sole purpose of avoiding taxes. A Government Accountability Office study identified Panama as one of only eight countries -- and the only current or prospective FTA partner -- that was listed on all of the major tax-haven watchdog lists. Panama has long been a key target of both the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development and other tax transparency entities for its resistance to international norms in combating tax evasion and money laundering. Indeed, Panama is one of few countries that has refused to sign any tax information exchange treaties. This international legal instrument allows for a standard exchange of tax-related information between countries. Such treaties-agreements to work together to catch tax cheats and prevent money laundering and funding for terrorists-came out of the OECD and G7 task forces.

**The Korea FTA:** In addition to lopsided auto provisions, the Korea FTA includes major financial service sector deregulation and liberalization provisions which contradict global and domestic congressional efforts to reregulate this volatile sector.

We are all eager to support trade agreements that benefit a majority of U.S. workers, farmers, small businesses and consumers. We all want American trade and globalization policies that promote the larger societal goals of economic justice, poverty alleviation, healthy communities, human rights and a sound environment that we all share. We believe that the **2008 Trade Reform, Accountability, Development and Employment (TRADE) Act** -- put forward in the 110th Congress by Senator Sherrod Brown, Representative Mike Michaud and over eighty of their House and Senate colleagues -- offers a helpful roadmap for new policies that could rebuild a consensus in favor of expanded trade.

Correcting our past trade and globalization policy mistakes and moving forward on a new path can help our nation face our considerable economic challenges. Changing our current trade agreements and policies is critical to regain the policy space to accomplish key domestic non-trade priorities regarding health care, economic stability, climate change and more. We look forward to working with members of Congress and the Obama administration to create a new American trade and globalization policy that can ensure that future trade agreements obtain broad support.

Sincerely,

Citizens Trade Campaign

Change to Win  
United Steelworkers  
International Brotherhood of Teamsters  
UNITE HERE  
Communications Workers of America  
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers  
International Brotherhood of Boilermakers  
International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers  
International Longshore and Warehouse Union  
Laborers' International Union of North America  
Association of Western Pulp and Paper Workers International Union  
Steelworkers Organization of Active Retirees - SOAR  
TransAfrica Forum  
Labor Council for Latin American Advancement - LCLAA  
National Farmers Union  
United Methodist Church, General Board of Church and Society  
Witness for Peace  
Jobs with Justice  
Public Citizen  
Coalition of Labor Union Women - CLUW  
Student Trade Justice Campaign  
Grassroots International  
National Family Farm Coalition  
IATP Action  
Americans for Democratic Action  
Progressive Democrats of America  
SweatFree Communities  
Working Families Win  
Washington Office on Latin America  
Global Exchange  
The International Labor Rights Forum  
Equal Exchange  
US Labor Education in the Americas Project - USLEAP  
Protect All Children's Environment - PACE  
Foreign Policy In Focus  
Human Rights for Workers  
Coalition for a Prosperous America  
8th Day Center for Justice  
Labor Research Association  
Liberty Tree Foundation  
Democrats.com  
After Downing Street  
Guatemala Human Rights Commission  
United for Community  
Pride at Work  
Korean Americans for Fair Trade  
Andeans for Fair Trade  
Women, Food and Agriculture Network  
Association of Internally Displaced Afro-Colombians (AFRODES USA)  
Fellowship of Reconciliation  
Sugar Law Center for Economic & Social Justice  
CISPES - Committee in Solidarity with the People of El Salvador

**State and Local Groups**

Across the Americas (IL)  
African Services Committee (NY)

AFSCME Local 3214 (OR)  
AFT Local 212 (WI)  
AFT Wisconsin  
Alabama State AFL-CIO  
Alliance for Democracy (OR)  
Alliance@IBM / CWA Local 1701  
Allegheny County Labor Council AFL-CIO (PA)  
Alter-Eco Fair Trade (CA)  
Amnesty International, University of Texas at Dallas  
American Postal Workers Union Local 2339 (IA)  
American Postal Workers Union Southern Oregon Area Local 342 (OR)  
Arvada Peace and Justice Commission (CO)  
Austin Central Labor Council (TX)  
Bend-Condega Friendship Project (OR)  
Bergen County Central Trades and Labor Council (NJ)  
California Concilio de Inquilinos Local 1012  
California Council of Churches Impact  
California Digital Arts Studio Partnership  
California Fair Trade Coalition  
California Farmers Union  
Carolina Interfaith Task Force on Central America (NC)  
Central Oregon Central Labor Council  
Chicago Jobs for Justice  
Chicago Religious Leadership Network on Latin America – CRLN (IL)  
Church in the Cliff (TX)  
CISPES - Committee in Solidarity with the People of El Salvador New York Chapter  
Citizen Action of Wisconsin  
Cleveland Jobs with Justice (OH)  
Coalition of Labor Union Women Pennsylvania Chapter  
Colorado Jobs with Justice  
Colorado Progressive Coalition  
Communications Workers of America District 1 (NJ, NY, MA, CT, RI, VT, NH, ME)  
Communications Workers of America Local 1101 (NY)  
Communications Workers of America Local 1103 (NY)  
Communications Workers of America Local 1108 (NY)  
Communications Workers of America Local 1109 (NY)  
Communications Workers of America Local 1111 (NY)  
Communications Workers of America Local 1115 (NY)  
Communications Workers of America Local 1168 (NY)  
Communications Workers of America Local 2201 (VA)  
Communications Workers of America Local 37083 (WA)  
Communications Workers of America Local 4250 (IL)  
Communications Workers of America Local 4900 (IN)  
Communications Workers of America Local 7011 (NM)  
Communications Workers of America Local 7901 (OR)  
Community Agroecology Network (CA)  
Community Alliance for Global Justice (WA)  
Dakota Resource Council  
Dallas AFL-CIO (TX)  
Dallas Amnesty International (TX)  
Detroit Metro AFL-CIO (MI)  
Detroit - Democratic Socialists of America  
Democratic Socialists of America  
Economic Justice Action Group of the First Unitarian Church of Portland (OR)  
El Paso Central Labor Council (TX)  
Environmental Health Coalition (CA)

Eugene Springfield Solidarity Network (OR)  
Fair Trade for All (WI)  
Family Farm Defenders (WI)  
Fiscal Policy Project, New Mexico Voices for Children  
Florida Alliance of Retired Americans  
Florida State AFL-CIO  
Food and Medicine (ME)  
Four Corners of the World (WI)  
Galveston County AFL-CIO (TX)  
George Washington University Students for Fair Trade (DC)  
Globalization Forum of Houston (TX)  
Grand Valley Peace and Justice, Grand Junction (CO)  
Greater Columbus Jobs with Justice (OH)  
Greater Kansas City Fair Trade Coalition (KS, MO)  
Green Delaware  
Harris County AFL-CIO Council (TX)  
Houston Peace and Justice Center (TX)  
Illinois Stewardship Alliance  
Indiana Farmers Union  
Interfaith Worker Justice - Metro Detroit (MI)  
International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers Connecticut State Council of Machinists  
International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers Oregon State Council of Machinists  
International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers District 15 (NY, NJ, PA, MA)  
International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers District 26 (CT, RI)  
International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers District 66 (WI)  
International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers District 751 (WA)  
International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers Local Lodge 1115 (WI)  
International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers Local Lodge 1771 (WI)  
International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers Local Lodge 21 (WI)  
International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers Local Lodge 971 (FL)  
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers District 3 (PA, NY, DE, NJ)  
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers District 6 (IL, IN, MI, MN, WI)  
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers New York State Association of Electrical Workers (NY)  
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers New Jersey State Association Electrical Workers (NJ)  
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Pennsylvania State Electrical Workers Association (PA)  
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Texas State Association of Electrical Workers (TX)  
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 103 (MA)  
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 106 (NY)  
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 1228 (MA)  
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 1253 (ME)  
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 1316 (GA)  
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 1501 (MD)  
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 1805 (MD)  
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 1957 (PA)  
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 208 (CT)  
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 21 (IL)  
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 2222 (MA)  
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 2326 (VT)  
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 236 (NY)  
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 24 (MD)  
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 280 (OR)  
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 289 (NC)  
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 295 (AR)  
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 3 (NY)  
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 300 (VT)  
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 35 (CT)

International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 363 (NY)  
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 42 (CT)  
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 455 (MA)  
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 457(CT)  
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 481 (IN)  
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 486 (MA)  
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 488 BPT (CN)  
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 50 (VA)  
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 531 (IN)  
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 520 (TX)  
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 567 (ME)  
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 611 (NM)  
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 668 (IN)  
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 7 (MA)  
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 701 (IL)  
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 702 (IL)  
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 716 (TX)  
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 725 (IN)  
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 812 (PA)  
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 83 (NY)  
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 90 (CT)  
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 969 (CO)  
International Brotherhood of Teamsters Joint Council 32 (MN)  
International Brotherhood of Teamsters Joint Council 42 (CA)  
International Brotherhood of Teamsters Local 200 (WI)  
International Brotherhood of Teamsters Local 340 (ME)  
International Brotherhood of Teamsters Local 381 (CA)  
Iowa and Cedar Valley United for Peace & Justice (IA)  
Iowa Farmers Union  
IUE-CWA Local 201 (MA)  
IUE-CWA Local 86023 (TX)  
IUE-CWA Local 86780 (TX)  
JOBS NOW Coalition (MN)  
Kentucky Jobs With Justice  
Kickapoo Peace Circle (WI)  
Labor Council for Latin American Advancement -- Albany/Capital District Chapter (NY)  
Labor Council for Latin American Advancement -- New York City Chapter (NY)  
Labor Council for Latin American Advancement Massachusetts Chapter  
Laborers International Union of North America District Council of Minnesota and North Dakota  
Laborers International Union of North America Local 327 (ME)  
Laborers International Union of North America Local 429 (MA)  
Laborers International Union of North America Local 517 (FL)  
Labor-Religion Coalition of New York State (NY)  
League of Rural Voters (MN)  
Maine Council of Senior Citizens  
Maine Fair Trade Campaign  
Maine Labor Group on Health  
Maine People's Alliance  
Maine State AFL-CIO  
Maine State Employees Association MSEA-SEIU Local 1989  
Marin Interfaith Task Force on the Americas (CA)  
Maryland and District of Columbia AFL-CIO  
Massachusetts Jobs with Justice  
Michigan Farmers Union  
Milwaukee Area Central Labor Council (WI)  
Milwaukee Clean Clothes Campaign (WI)

Milwaukee Fair Trade Coalition (WI)  
Minnesota Fair Trade Coalition  
Minnesota Farmers Union  
Missouri Rural Crisis Center  
Monterey Bay Central Labor Council (CA)  
Mon Valley Unemployment Committee  
Movement for Peace in Colombia (NY)  
New York Fair Trade Coalition  
New York Sustainable Agriculture Working Group  
New York Working Families Party  
North Shore Central Labor Council (MA)  
North Texas Jobs with Justice  
Northeastern Illinois Federation of Labor (IL)  
Ohio ACORN  
Ohio Conference on Fair Trade  
Ohio Environmental Council  
Ohio Farmers Union  
Oregon Fair Trade Coalition  
Palm Beach-Treasure Coast AFL-CIO (FL)  
Peace through InterAmerican Community Action - PICA (ME)  
Peninsula Peace and Justice Center (CA)  
Pennsylvania Anti Sweatshop Coalition  
Pennsylvania Fair Trade Coalition  
Pennsylvania Farmers Union  
Pennsylvania State AFL-CIO  
People Organized in Defense of Earth & Resources - PODER (TX)  
Pierce County Central Labor Council (WA)  
Pittsburgh Anti Sweatshop Community Alliance (PA)  
Progressive Jewish Alliance (CA)  
Progressive Maryland  
Rhode Island Jobs with Justice  
Rocky Mountain Farmers Union  
Rocky Mountain Peace and Justice Center (CO)  
Rural Organizing Project (OR)  
San Antonio Central Labor Council (TX)  
San Diego and Imperial Counties Central Labor Council (CA)  
San Joaquin and Calaveras Counties Central Labor Council (CA)  
Service Employees International Union Minnesota State Council  
Service Employees International Union Wisconsin State Council  
Southern Methodist University Amnesty International of Dallas (TX)  
South Carolina AFL-CIO  
South Central Federation of Labor (WI)  
South Florida AFL-CIO  
South Florida Jobs with Justice  
Southern Methodist University Human Rights Education of Dallas (TX)  
Southern Oregon Central Labor Council  
Southern Oregon Jobs with Justice  
SPEEA/IFPTE Local 2001 (WA)  
Saint Ignatius Martyr Catholic Church of Austin (TX)  
Steelworkers of America Retirees (OH)  
Sweatfree Northwest Campaign (OR)  
Sweatfree Ohio Campaign  
Talkeetna Environmental Center (AK)  
Tarrant County Central Labor Council (TX)  
Texas AFT  
Texas Alliance for Retired Americans



Texas Building & Construction Trades Council  
Texas Fair Trade Coalition  
Thomas Merton Center (PA)  
Toledo Jobs with Justice (OH)  
Tower of Youth (CA)  
Trade Justice New York Metro (NY)  
Trade Unionists in Solidarity with Colombia - TUSC (NY)  
Transport Workers Union of America - Texas  
UNITE HERE Mid-Atlantic Regional Joint Board (DC, DE, MD, NJ, PA, VA, WV)  
UNITE HERE New York Metropolitan Area Joint Board  
UNITE HERE Rochester Regional Joint Board (NY)  
UNITE HERE Southern Region (GA, FL, NC, SC, KY, AL, MS, TN, VA)  
UNITE HERE Southwest Region (AR, LA, OK, NM, TX)  
UNITE HERE Carolinas/Virginia District (NC, SC, VA)  
UNITE HERE Georgia District  
UNITE HERE Minnesota State Council  
UNITE HERE Ohio State Council  
UNITE HERE Local 181 (KY)  
United Auto Workers Massachusetts State CAP Council  
United Auto Workers Minnesota State CAP Council  
United Auto Workers Local 2162 (NV)  
United Brotherhood of Carpenters Pacific Northwest Regional Council of Carpenters (WA)  
United Brotherhood of Carpenters Local 1098 (LA)  
United Brotherhood of Carpenters Local 133 (IN)  
United Brotherhood of Carpenters Local 2337 (WI)  
United Food and Commercial Workers Local 1059 (OH)  
United Food and Commercial Workers Local 1459 (MA)  
United Food and Commercial Workers Local 1546 (IL)  
United Food and Commercial Workers Local 21 (WA)  
United Food and Commercial Workers Local 789 (MN)  
United Steelworkers District 7 (IN, IL)  
United Steelworkers District 12 (AK, AZ, CA, CO, HI, ID, NM, NV, OR, UT, WA)  
United Steelworkers District 11 Iowa Sub-District (IA)  
United Steelworkers District 11 Minnesota Sub-District (MN)  
United Steelworkers District 12 California Sub-District (CA)  
United Steelworkers District 12 Washington Sub-District (WA)  
United Steelworkers District 13 Texas Sub-District (TX)  
United Steelworkers Oregon Legislative & Education Committee  
United Steelworkers Local 2635 (PA)  
United Steelworkers Local 10-1 (PA)  
United Steelworkers Local 10-0086 (PA)  
United Steelworkers Local 1157L (TX)  
United Steelworkers Local 1188 (ME)  
United Steelworkers Local 12213 (IN)  
United Steelworkers Local 15173 (IN)  
United Steelworkers Local 2737 (OH)  
United Steelworkers Local 2958 (IN)  
United Steelworkers Local 4895 (TX)  
United Steelworkers Local 6805 (IN)  
United Steelworkers Local 7-00164 (IN)  
United Steelworkers Local 7-113 (IN)  
United Steelworkers Local 7-154 (IN)  
United Steelworkers Local 7-706 (IN)  
United Steelworkers Local 8378 (OR)  
United Steelworkers Local 9 (ME)  
University of Houston Students Against Sweatshops

University of Houston Students for Fair Trade  
US Office on Colombia  
Utah Jobs with Justice  
Valley Watch (IN)  
Vermont Workers Center  
Washington Fair Trade Coalition  
Western Maine Central Labor Council  
Western Organization of Resource Councils – WORC (CO, ID, MT, ND, OR, SD, WY)  
Western Pennsylvania Jobs with Justice  
Western Pennsylvania Labor & Religion Coalition  
Westside Progressives (CA)  
Wisconsin Fair Trade Coalition  
Wisconsin Farmers Union  
Wisconsin League of Conservation Voters  
Wisconsin State AFL-CIO  
Witness for Peace Southeast  
Witness for Peace Upper Midwest  
Woman of Steel, District 10  
Workers Interfaith Network (TN)  
Working Families Win Iowa  
Working Families Win New Hampshire  
York-Adams County Central Labor Council (PA)