2020 ADVOCACY AGENDA

In a recent survey, ILMA manufacturing members indicated what they saw as the biggest regulatory and legislative challenges to their businesses. Their answers have formed ILMA’s 2020 Advocacy Agenda, which will be taken to Washington, DC as we make connections with Congress and regulatory agencies throughout the year.

Healthcare
ILMA Priorities: Continue to support market-based reforms to expand competition and choice; increase flexibility and lower costs to employers; allow the wider use of association health plans; provide tax incentives to assist with the purchase of private health insurance; increase the healthcare options and products available to employers and employees; and, revise and reduce employers’ ACA reporting requirements.

Infrastructure
ILMA Priorities: Continue to support legislation to revitalize the condition and functioning of our national transportation network, including all modes of transportation. ILMA seeks to ensure its members’ goods and products can be transported efficiently to compete in the global economy and policies in any bills make it easier for small businesses to win public infrastructure contracts that are bid by the federal and state governments.

Trade Agreements
ILMA Priorities: Support trade and investment agreements, such as the U.S.-Mexico-Canada Agreement (USMCA), that are fair and provide accountability where all parties play by the same rules; engage with the office of U.S. Trade Representative and the White House Office of Manufacturing Policy to pursue policies that ensure U.S. manufacturers benefit from the global economy; and, support continued negotiations to address China’s unfair trade and industrial policies and to terminate tariffs on imports of Chinese products used to manufacture lubricants.

TSCA Reform Implementation
ILMA Priorities: Continue to monitor and participate in efforts to ensure that EPA continues to implement the 2016 amendments to the Toxic Substances Control Act in a manner that recognizes the role that Association members play in the chemicals supply chain.

OSHA/Labor issues
ILMA Priorities: Continue to support legislation/regulation that restores the balance between employers and employees at DOL and NLRB and that ensures effective occupational safety and
health programs that leverage ILMA members’ experiences with preventive measures, training and communication.

**Obsolete Oils/Tractor Hydraulic Fluids**

**ILMA Priorities:** Continue to work with the National Conference on Weights and Measures (NCWM) to develop forward-facing labeling requirements for engine oils that don’t meet an “active” API classification. The Association proposed improvements to NCWM to its warning requirements for tractor hydraulic fluids that became effective on January 1, 2020.