



PO BOX 518 Upton Ma, 01568

April 15, 2026

Members of the Massachusetts Senate
Massachusetts State House

RE: Comments of Massachusetts Chemistry & Technology Alliance (MCTA) on amendments to S3050 - *An Act to build resilience for Massachusetts communities*

Dear Senator:

On behalf of our members, the Massachusetts Chemistry & Technology Alliance (MCTA) would like to make the following comments relative to amendments to S3050 *An Act to build resilience for Massachusetts communities* that is being debated today.

MCTA is the professional organization representing manufacturers, users, and distributors of chemistry in the Commonwealth. Our membership ranges from small, multi-generational family-owned businesses operating with a handful of employees to large global companies employing thousands. More than 96% of all manufactured goods – including solar panels, turbine blades, energy efficiency products, microelectronics, and pharmaceutical devices – are touched by chemistry.

MCTA OPPOSES the following amendments:

Amendment #53 (Senator Moore) and Amendment #254 (Senator Cyr) - PFAS

Amendment #53 bans the use of PFAS in any food packaging while amendment #254 is the full text of the omnibus PFAS legislation currently in Senate Ways and Means (S3034 - *An Act to protect Massachusetts public health from PFAS*).

MCTA does not oppose the basic points and intent banning the use of certain PFAS in food packaging, personal care products, and consumer goods. However, an amendment to a bill such as S3050 is not the way to deal with such a complex issue that will have major ramifications for Massachusetts industry.

MCTA has been actively involved in voicing our concerns relative to S3034, including confusing definitions and registration requirements that have no public health benefit yet are costly to both industry and the Commonwealth.

Neither the language in Amendment #53 nor #254 addresses our concerns. We believe such issues should be discussed through an open legislative process.

MCTA SUPPORTS to following amendment:

Amendment #86 (Senator Moore)

This amendment establishes a Truck Emissions Reduction Program that creates a practical and technology-neutral incentive program for reducing emissions from medium and heavy duty diesel vehicles.

MCTA members are large users of these trucks and they serve a critical need in Massachusetts through the transport of the products and chemicals needed to keep our hospitals safe and functioning, our public water supplies safe, and our residents warm during the winter months.

MCTA members want to purchase cleaner trucks. However, due to the Commonwealth's electrification requirements for these vehicles, companies are thinking twice about making investments in trucks that do not meet their needs and are much more expensive than other options. Combined with the uncertain economic headwinds many are facing, they are delaying the purchase of *any* truck unless absolutely necessary. This creates more emissions, not less.

Amendment #86 will help businesses invest in newer cleaner vehicles that will keep companies operating here.

Thank you for your consideration of the concerns raised by MCTA and our members. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 508-572-9113 or via email at katherine@masscta.org.

Respectfully,



Katherine Robertson
Executive Director
Massachusetts Chemistry & Technology Alliance