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STATEMENT REGARDING RELEASE OF TRANS-PACIFIC PARTNERSHIP TEXT

SAN DIEGO (November 6, 2015) – The San Diego Regional Chamber of Commerce today released the following statement regarding the release of the Trans-Pacific Partnership (TPP) text which is now available to the public online at http://go.wh.gov/TPPText:

"Our local innovation economy and many of our small businesses in a wide range of industries are dependent on the ability to export goods made in San Diego. This is how we remain competitive and create jobs in a globalizing economy. TPP supports made-in-America exports and jobs, giving our region the ability to better compete on an international scale – particularly with Japan, a top destination for exports from San Diego.

In 2013, San Diego exported \$17.9 billion worth of goods, supporting tens of thousands of local jobs. With more than 95 percent of our consumers residing outside of the U.S., it is essential that the U.S. continue to open new markets for American goods and services, while creating and sustaining jobs for American workers. This new trade agreement does just that."

- Jerry Sanders, San Diego Regional Chamber of Commerce President and CEO