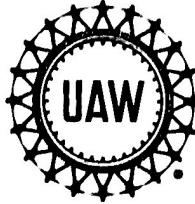


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Senator Rob Portman
1240 East 9th St
Room 3061
Cleveland OH 44199

Dear Senator Portman;

I am reaching out to you today because of the situation our members and our communities are facing. Hopefully you are aware of the quality product that we produce here in Lordstown OH, the Chevy Cruze. JD Powers has ranked our plant #1 at GM and #6 in the Americas. Our product is 2nd in quality, just behind the competition. From a safety perspective the Chevy Cruze has also been rated as one of the safest cars in its' segment. Our members work hard and take pride in the work they do.

Unfortunately, two-thirds of our workforce has been laid off. The main reason has been a shift in market demand. According to the Center for Automotive Research (CAR), SUVs, trucks, and CUVs have grown to two-thirds of the market and CUVs also have grown from 5.7% in 2000 to 37.8% in 2017. CAR also states that the auto industry has contributed 3 to 3.5% to the overall GDP and is one of the most important industries in the US. This would make sense as one in every 22 US jobs are directly related to the auto industry. These are national statistics. I believe if you look at Ohio as a state, these numbers are even higher.

In fact, Ohio based suppliers provide for approximately 35% of Cruze parts. Just the GM plants had over \$660M in wages and another \$140M in payroll taxes in 2017. With over 65,000 retirees and over 7000 employees, GM is a major contributor in our state. This is why I am so concerned with the members I work for and the community I live in.

GM has received a huge corporate tax break in which you supported. I am respectfully asking that you make a request to GM to reinvest the windfall in tax dollars in to the communities and to the taxpayers that supported them when they were in need. Today our workers, our communities and our state are in need of good paying manufacturing jobs.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'David B. Green', written over a horizontal line.

David B Green, President
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