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We at the **Michigan Chemistry Council (MCC)** would like to offer you an opportunity to join (or to re-join) us in membership.

As your peers in the business of chemistry in Michigan, we believe it is essential for our industry to work together to promote our interests and to address issues affecting our competitiveness. Since 1967, the MCC has been the unified voice for our state's chemical manufacturers, formulators, and distributors – an industry that provides tens of thousands of good jobs and the innovative products that enable our modern world.

Under reinvigorated leadership the past few years, the MCC works every day to **advocate** for our industry in Michigan, by providing policymakers with information they need to make sound decisions. We celebrated numerous [legislative and regulatory policy accomplishments in 2018](#). The people of Michigan elected a **new Governor and Legislature** last year – and already new policies are being proposed that will impact manufacturing. *We will be actively involved in working with these new leaders on your behalf.*

We also **communicate** about important issues to our members, and bring together our industry to **collaborate** with other key groups. Additionally, we represent our industry every day in the press, on social media, and directly to elected officials to showcase the business of chemistry at work.

In these activities, we provide significant value to our member companies, and we want to continue to grow our strength. As an independent state organization that exclusively represents our industry, your company's involvement makes a difference. Finally, by joining with some of Michigan's leading chemistry companies, we can also help you **develop** your business and professional networks.

We hope you will consider participating in the MCC, and we look forward to working with you. We have a great year of **events** planned. You don't want to miss out on these opportunities.

Please do not hesitate to let us know if you have any questions by contacting John at 517-372-8898 or [John@MichiganChemistry.com](mailto:John@MichiganChemistry.com)

Sincerely,

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## 2017-18 MCC Advocacy Accomplishments

*Mission: Represent our members to influence policies that promote and grow a safe, environmentally responsible, and competitive business of chemistry in Michigan.*

**Protecting Chemical Plant Safety** – The MCC led efforts to address concerns from the use of drones at key facilities, including chemical plants. Legislation signed by the Governor will prohibit the unauthorized use of drones to interfere with such facilities, while another MCC-developed law will regulate the use of drones by state agencies for compliance and enforcement. Lastly, the MCC has also worked to stop proposals that would limit employers' ability to regulate firearms on company property.

**Ensuring Effective Cleanup Rules** – The MCC worked with other industry groups to help address problems with proposed revisions to Michigan's environmental cleanup law, Part 201 of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act (NREPA). MDEQ proposals over the past few years would have significantly increased the burden and cost of remediation activities. However, a new law supported by the MCC will restore significant certainty to cleanup rules for the regulated community. Another law will provide \$45 million annually to help address contaminated orphan sites in the state.

**Responding to Emerging Contaminants** – The MCC is actively engaged on the emerging issue of per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS), which have raised concerns across the state since being discovered in groundwater and drinking water from legacy uses. The MCC helped to facilitate communication between member companies and state regulators, and also educated lawmakers and the media on this issue of significant interest. The MCC will continue to ensure that sound science and risk management approaches drive future state efforts in this area.

**Reforming Michigan's Solid Waste and Recycling Laws** – The MCC worked closely with the American Chemistry Council (ACC) to modernize our state's solid waste policies to better promote a sustainable materials management approach, including regulatory exemptions for energy recovery technologies for difficult-to-recycle plastics. While these legislative efforts will continue next year, another measure will provide more than \$20 million annually to boost Michigan's solid waste and recycling efforts.

**Achieving Competitive Energy Policies** – The MCC has actively worked on behalf of ratepayers in the implementation of the 2016 energy laws. Through legislative advocacy, public comments, and participation in various Michigan Public Service Commission (MPSC) workgroups, the MCC helped shape the early decisions regarding electric choice. The MCC retained legal counsel to advocate in cases that determined capacity charges for choice customers, leading to the MPSC setting significantly lower charges. The MCC has also intervened in the cases to determine the long-term plans for the state's two major utilities, Consumers Energy and DTE.

**Promoting Energy Infrastructure** – The MCC has worked with industry partners to promote a reliable energy infrastructure system. In particular, the Snyder administration worked to set on course an infrastructure solution for the Line 5 pipeline at the Straits of Mackinac, ensuring environmental protection and energy security.

**Talent Development** – The MCC participated in active industry coalitions that advanced numerous talent development policies. Under the banner of the Governor's "Marshall Plan for Talent," these measures will greatly increase the reach of skilled trades and career and technical education (CTE) programs. The MCC is also considering how our industry might collaborate to develop its own talent pipeline programs.

**Confirming Sound Science** – The MCC provided significant support for ACC and member company efforts addressing the evidence for health-based screening levels for a key compound, methyl isobutyl ketone (MIBK). These efforts were successful in persuading the MDEQ to revise its toxicological assessment, confirming the sound science relating to the safety of MIBK.



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GROW YOUR BUSINESS. DEVELOP NEW OPPORTUNITIES.  
ADVANCE YOUR PROFESSIONAL CAREER.

## JOIN THE MICHIGAN CHEMISTRY COUNCIL.

**The Michigan Chemistry Council is the unified voice for Michigan's business of chemistry. We provide unparalleled value for the dozens of chemical manufacturers, formulators, and distributors that we represent across the state.**

### JOIN THE MCC IF...

#### **You want your voice to be heard.**

We maintain strong working relationships with the state legislature, the executive branch, regulatory agencies, and with other partners in industry. We often testify before legislative committees and provide comments on issues of importance for our members.

#### **You want to know what's happening.**

We provide valuable and timely information through regular email newsletters and analyses of current events. Our communications keep members aware of issues and trends affecting us all.

#### **You want to collaborate with others.**

We work closely with groups including the American Chemistry Council (ACC) and National Association of Chemical Distributors (NACD) on important issues at the federal and state levels. We also collaborate and build coalitions with other industry groups in Michigan. Importantly, MCC member company professionals are often asked to serve as industry representatives on various state workgroups and roundtables.

#### **You want to develop your network.**

We provide a forum for members to interact with one another and to share expertise on common issues. Our regular programming enables members to not only share solutions, but also develop your business and professional networks.

#### **You want to showcase your company's innovations.**

We serve to educate policymakers and the general public on our industry's importance. We help to organize member company plant tours, regional meetings, and our well-known annual reception in Lansing, all highlighting our industry's innovations. We also help to represent our industry in the press and on social media networks.



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## MEMBERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

We are a member-driven organization. Our Board of Directors is elected annually by our member companies, and meets quarterly to oversee the MCC's mission and operations.

### Regular Members

Companies engaged in the manufacture, formulation, and/or distribution of chemicals, or companies that use chemicals in their manufacturing processes. Regular membership dues are based upon the number of employees in the state, starting at \$1,900/year.

### Associate Members

Companies engaged in a supportive business serving the state's chemical industry, including legal, consulting, engineering, testing, or providing environmental services. Associate membership is \$1,250/year.

### Trade Association Members

Other business associations whose members are engaged in an allied or supportive business to the state's chemical industry. Trade association membership is considered on a case-by-case basis.

### Honorary Members

Higher education entities involved in educating individuals in the field of chemistry, or other nonprofit organizations engaged in cooperative relationships with the state's chemical industry. Honorary members do not pay dues.

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### **MCC Policy Day at the Capitol**

**Tuesday, February 18 | Lansing**

Our annual Policy Day includes a planning session for legislative and regulatory priorities, meetings with legislators and agency leaders. We also host a luncheon in the Capitol building to showcase our industry's innovations and contributions.

### **Regional Industry Update Events**

**Southeast Michigan  
West Michigan  
Mid-Michigan**

The MCC will host an update event for the chemical industry. Participants will have a chance to meet with elected lawmakers, share their latest developments and priorities from industry, and engage in networking opportunities.

### **MCC Annual Conference**

**Tuesday, September 10 | Lansing**

Our well-known annual conference program and attendance continues to grow. This event will feature keynote speakers, industry updates, a full-day of networking and exhibitor opportunities.

**For more information or  
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