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Chairwoman Johnson and Ranking Member Lucas,

The Niskanen Center applauds the House Committee on Science, Space, & Technology for its scheduled markup of the Steel Upgrading Partnership and Emissions Reduction (SUPER) Act (H.R. 4495). As co-sponsors of the SUPER Act, Representatives Gonzalez and Lamb have demonstrated a commitment to climate action and to bipartisanship.

The SUPER Act directs federal funding and resources into the development of cutting-edge technologies that will play a crucial role in supporting low-carbon steel manufacturing in the U.S. These technology areas closely align with effective decarbonization strategies for the steel industry identified by the Niskanen Center and decarbonization of the steel sector is a vital step on the path to achieving net-zero greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions. As the U.S. economy continues to transition toward a clean energy future, it is essential that steel manufacturers possess the tools and technologies to remain internationally competitive while cutting GHG emissions.

We look forward to the markup and to supporting the Committee's future energy and environmental work.

Respectfully,

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