



February 1, 2023

Senator David Clemens, Chairman  
Senate Transportation Committee  
Fort Totten Room – ND State Capitol  
Bismarck, ND 58505

Re: Senate Bill 2299 – In Support of

Dear Chairman Clemens and members of the Senate Transportation Committee,

I write to convey GerdaU's support for Senate Bill 2299. Proposed restrictions on transactions involving catalytic converters would strengthen metals theft law to combat theft and hold to account those who operate illegitimate businesses, while allowing responsible recyclers the continued ability to process valuable metals.

GerdaU is one of the world's largest steelmakers and recyclers. In North America, the company operates a network of steel mills, downstream locations and metals recycling facilities, including scrap yards in Bismarck, Fargo, Jamestown, and Minot. Our metals recycling locations are fully licensed, comply with all existing metals theft legislation, and have extensive procedures in place to screen incoming material, to document transactions, and to prevent stolen goods from ending up in our facilities. We are an ally of the law enforcement community and are proud to play an integral role in stopping the theft of metals, including catalytic converters.

As a responsible member of the recycling community, GerdaU commends the sponsor and cosponsors of this legislation for working to address this important issue.

Please contact me if we can provide any assistance.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Adam Parr'.

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