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Ecolab Applauds House Passage of Bipartisan Russia PNTR Legislation

ST. PAUL, Minn.--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- Ecolab applauds the passage of bipartisan legislation in the U.S. House of Representatives to establish permanent normal trade relations (PNTR) with Russia.

In August 2012, Russia joined the World Trade Organization (WTO), and the passage of this legislation is vital for U.S. companies to realize the full potential of Russia's WTO commitments.

We urge the Senate to approve this legislation, which will help ensure that U.S. companies are on a level playing field when competing with other global companies in this important market.

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