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Dear Mr. Steven Wright:

In our country we pride ourselves for being on the top of world with our ideas and the freedom to use them. Included in these ideas are aluminum use in transit and trucking that save untold amounts of fossil fuel and wear and tear of roads. Look around your home and community and you will find it used in mowers, saws, boats, barbeques, computers, TV's, appliances, stadium seats, screen doors, back pack frames, buildings, and packaging galore.

Aluminum helped pay to build our hydro systems in times of need. Look back in history and find what truly helped bring the ability to grow enough food and prosperity to fit our ever-growing human family.

We look at our Air Force with pride and find comfort in the power and might to protect our freedom. We look down from space with an obvious advantage. We can dream of touching the stars because this material helps us get there.

Alcoa has spent 200 million on salmon projects. They have continually pushed for safer more efficient manufacturing and the new products we all benefit from. They are not outdated from a lack of spending or foresight. Power at a reasonable cost is what it takes. Will Boeing move offshore for metal made with no thought to managing the world environment and leaving America no edge in this material or the effects on us by poorly managed third world countries? Please work together to keep this vital industry.

Thank you,



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