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Dear Senators,

Kimberly-Clark has employed hardworking Wisconsinites for nearly 150 years. Retaining outstanding, long-time companies like Kimberly-Clark is just as important as attracting new companies to our state, which is why we must do our part to ensure hundreds of good-paying, family-supporting jobs stay right here in Wisconsin.

This week, Kimberly-Clark stated it needs the State Senate to vote on Assembly Bill 963, the tax credit package approved by the State Assembly, by September 30, 2018, so it can finalize its plans in Wisconsin and provide certainty to employees.

Here are the facts on Assembly Bill 963: It provides tax credits of up to 17 percent of qualifying wages for job retention and up to 15 percent for plant upgrades. The company must retain at least 93 percent of its full-time employees at the Cold Spring facility to be eligible for the tax credits. And there are claw back provisions included in the bill to protect taxpayers.

Hundreds of good-paying, family-supporting jobs are at stake. Besides the workers at the plant, there are workers at nearly 200 suppliers across the state that will feel the impact of this decision.

We need an affirmative vote in the State Senate for Assembly Bill 963 before September 30, 2018, to meet the deadline. As it stands, that will require votes from both Democrat and Republican Senators. On behalf of these workers and their families, I ask that you vote to concur in the legislation that was passed in the State Assembly earlier this spring.

Before you make your decision, I ask you to visit Kimberly-Clark's Cold Springs facility. You will see, as I have and as several other Senators have, the amazing workforce and the state-of-the-art technology at the plant. The consumer products made there are some of the fastest growing of Kimberly-Clark's product lines. **What you will learn on a tour will likely surprise you - so I respectfully ask that you schedule a visit as soon as possible before the end of the month.**

Thank you for your consideration of this important matter and of the lives that will be impacted by this vote!

Respectfully,

Scott Walker
Governor