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**The “PRO Act” Will Delay America’s Recovery**  
*Employment and Water Projects Will Suffer If Legislation Passes*

(Fairfax, Va.) – *The chief executive officer of the National Utility Contractors Association (NUCA), Doug Carlson, issued the following statement on the Senate Health, Education, Labor and Pension Committee’s July 21 hearing on the “Protecting the Right to Organize Act (PRO Act, S. 420)”:*

“Consistent with the President’s “Build Back Better” initiative, NUCA members stand ready to do their part in rebuilding a wide range of essential American infrastructure. However, policies such as those required by the PRO Act would be actively harmful to this industry’s efforts to quickly and efficiently rebuild America’s water and wastewater infrastructure.”

“The dramatic changes that would be required by the PRO Act would unquestionably delay the construction of infrastructure needed for effective broadband deployment and harm the ability of Americans to maintain their access to clean water and wastewater systems, jeopardizing public health. This is a bad bill that should be rejected by the Senate.”

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Founded in 1964, the National Utility Contractors Association represents nearly 1,700 U.S. utility and excavation contractors, manufacturers, and suppliers who provide the materials and workforce to build and maintain our nation’s intricate network of water, sewer, gas, telecommunications, and electric infrastructure. NUCA is found online at [www.nuca.com](http://www.nuca.com), and can be followed on Twitter at [@NUCA\\_National](https://twitter.com/NUCA_National). The association’s Twitter hashtags are #WeDigAmerica and #NUCAdigs.