



Navigating Tomorrow:

Advancing North American Specialty Chemical
Manufacturing Toward 2030

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SOCMA's Vision 2030
is a **dynamic strategy** to
position North America as the
hub for specialty chemical
manufacturing by 2030.



The Global Reordering
is an Opportunity for
North America



Trump Administration: Tailwinds & Headwinds

The “America First” Manufacturing Push... With Strings Attached



Insider Takeaways

- **Trump wants onshoring successes** – potential federal incentives and tax breaks for domestic manufacturing
- **Watch for ‘Buy American’ provisions** – companies may face restrictions on sourcing materials from overseas
- **Potential scrutiny on foreign-owned companies operating in the U.S.** – affects on mergers, acquisitions, and joint ventures

Corporate Tax Cuts...

Short-Term Gain, Long Term Questions



Insider Takeaways

- **Trump will push for corporate tax cuts** – to stimulate business growth, including 15% rate for "Made in America"
- **How will they be paid for?** – tariffs are a double-edged sword that could drive up costs despite the protections
- **Tax cuts without spending reductions** – could lead to a deficit spike, which may eventually lead to higher interest rates or unexpected economic headwinds

Federal Workforce Shrinkage...

A Hidden Risk to Innovation



Insider Takeaways

- Fewer federal employees could mean even **longer delays in permitting and regulatory approvals**
- **Regulatory paralysis** – Fewer people making decisions means nothing moves forward
- Less oversight **does not always mean fewer regulations—it can also mean inconsistent application of rules**

Investing in Your Success

- Improving Partnerships
- Business Intelligence
- Influencing Policy
- Preparing our Workforce

