



# REPRESENTING THE HEARTH, PATIO, AND BARBECUE INDUSTRIES

## WHO WE REPRESENT.

Northeast Hearth, Patio and Barbecue Association (NEHPBA) is an independent trade association created in 1985 to **promote, foster and advocate for the hearth, patio and barbecue industries in the northeast region**: Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New York, Rhode Island, and Vermont.

NEHPBA represents nearly 300 members (companies) and includes retailers, distributors, manufacturers, chimney sweeps and all types of periphery businesses.

The NEHPBA Government Affairs Committee works to serve its members' businesses by **advocating the hearth industry's interests to all levels of government and protecting the industry** from restrictive public policy and regulation.

## THE PROBLEM.

Fireplace, barbecue, and hearth products are part of the building envelope therefore, our industry is affected by **energy and environmental regulations and legislation**. As small business owners, NEHPBA is their voice with Government Officials and Agencies.



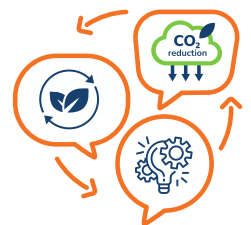
## THE SOLUTION.



**Conversations like this!** We appreciate you taking the time to learn more about our members, their businesses and the communities they serve. We agree with the need to affect climate change, we simply believe that as a community, we need a longer runway to allow technologies to evolve.

## HOW CAN LEGISLATORS HELP?

**Help us help you communicate** to other legislators, agencies, officials and constituents about the safety, security, evolving technology, resiliency, low emissions, and the renewable fuel sources of our products!



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