

## News

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### **Acrow Supports Export-Import Bank Reauthorization at U.S. Senate Democratic Steering and Outreach Committee Meeting**

*Points to Vital Role Ex-Im Bank Plays in Helping U.S. Companies Win Business Abroad*

(Parsippany, New Jersey) – 23 September 2014 – Acrow Bridge, a leading international bridge engineering and supply company, announced its support for the reauthorization of the Export-Import Bank of the United States at a U.S. Senate Democratic Steering and Outreach Committee meeting in Washington, DC on September 9. Ex-Im Bank’s charter is set to expire on September 30, 2014.

“With exports as a key driver of U.S. economic growth, it is unthinkable that the existence of our country’s official export credit agency is being challenged,” said Paul Sullivan, Director of International Business Development at Acrow Bridge. “Ex-Im Bank fills a crucial gap in commercial lending, helping foreign buyers who meet strict lending qualifications purchase U.S. manufactured goods.”

Sullivan was invited to participate in the Senate committee meeting, which brought together business leaders from across the country to discuss the importance of reauthorization and the Bank’s vital role in the global economy.

“Ex-Im Bank levels the playing field for small and mid-sized businesses in the U.S., allowing us to compete head-to-head against foreign companies in markets abroad,” Sullivan added. “The reality is that foreign competitors typically get substantial support from their own country’s export credit agency to win and retain export business. If Congress fails to reauthorize the Bank, American competitiveness will suffer, and we’ll start to see U.S. businesses lose opportunities and jobs to Asian and European companies around the world. This, in turn, may undermine America’s economic presence in key growth markets for years to come.”

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