



March 13, 2023

Senate Education, Energy, and the Environment Committee
Attn: Hon. Senator / Chairman Brian J. Feldman
2 West
Miller Senate Office Building
Annapolis, MD 21401

Re: MD 2023 SB 916 Environment – Ethylene Oxide - Prohibition

Dear Senator / Chairman Feldman & Senate Education, Energy, and the Environment
Committee Members,

Please accept this letter in opposition of MD 2023 SB 916 Environment – Ethylene Oxide –
Prohibition.

Understanding the concerns of the use of ethylene oxide, an outright prohibition would have
an immediate disruption and could eliminate the one hundred twenty jobs Trinity Sterile has
in Salisbury, Maryland. An outright ban could also cause significant shortages of various
medical devices needed by patients and the Maryland and U.S. healthcare system. Perhaps
what should be done instead is to continue working with government regulators toward
strengthened controls and processes to reduce emissions and implementation of
recommended courses of action over time, thus mitigating the disruptions this bill would
most certainly cause.

For these reasons, we respectfully ask the committee for an unfavorable report for MD 2023
SB 916 Environment – Ethylene Oxide - Prohibition. Thank you.

Very Truly Yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'd. j. ryan', written over a horizontal line.

David J. Ryan
Executive Director