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BAUCUS HIRES AMBER COTTLE AS INTERNATIONAL TRADE COUNSEL

Washington, DC – U.S. Senator Max Baucus (D-Mont.), Chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, today announced that Amber Cottle has joined the Democratic Staff of the Senate Finance Committee as International Trade Counsel. Cottle most recently served as the Deputy Assistant U.S. Trade Representative for Investment at the Office of the U.S. Trade Representative (USTR).

“I am delighted to welcome Amber to my staff,” said Baucus. **“She brings a wealth of international trade experience from both inside and outside the government and will be a driving force as we work to expand market access abroad for U.S. farmers, ranchers, and other exporters and to enforce our trade laws here at home.”**

Cottle will focus on, among other things, issues related to trade enforcement, trade remedies, fast-track, U.S. FTAs with Latin American countries, the WTO, investment, services, and intellectual property.

Cottle joins the Finance Committee staff with almost ten years of experience in international trade law and policy. In her most recent job, Amber served as the chief investment negotiator at USTR, where she negotiated the investment provisions of the Korea, Thailand, Morocco, and Oman Free Trade Agreements (FTAs) and supervised the negotiation of the investment provisions of several other FTAs and bilateral investment treaties. Prior to that, Amber served for two years as Assistant General Counsel at USTR, where she represented the United States in World Trade Organization (WTO) dispute settlement proceedings relating to softwood lumber from Canada. Cottle also worked for four years in the International Group of Wilmer, Cutler & Pickering. She holds a J.D. from the University of Chicago Law School and a B.A. in Political Science from Saint Louis University.

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