CLIENT ADVISORY

June 25, 2019

Section 301 Safeguard Tariffs – List 3 Exclusion Process

Dear Valued Customer,

The Office of the U.S. Trade Representative (USTR) has issued notice regarding submission of exclusion requests on List 3 products under Section 301 Safeguard Tariffs.

On June 30, 2019 at 12:00pm EDT, the USTR will open an electronic portal for exclusion requesters to register, submit product exclusion requests, and view status of product exclusion requests. Below is a link to the portal, and the information required for exclusion requests.

Portal URL: http://exclusions.USTR.gov

Information Required for Exclusion Requests:

- 10 digit HTSUS number
- Product name and description
- The product's function, application, principal use, and any unique physical features that distinguish it from other products within the first 8 digits of its HTSUS number
- Annual quantity and value of the Chinese-origin product, domestic product, and third-country product the requester purchased in 2017, 2018, and first quarter of 2019
- Information regarding the requester's company's gross revenue for 2018, the first quarter of 2018 and the first quarter of 2019
- For imports sold as final products, the percentage of the company's total gross sales in 2018 that sales
 of the Chinese-origin product accounted for
- For imports used in the production of final products, the percentage of the total cost producing the final product(s) the Chinese-origin input accounts for and the percentage of total gross sales in 2018 that sales of the final product(s) accounted for
- Whether the particular product is available only from China and whether the particular product and/or comparable product is available from sources within the U.S. and/or in third countries
- Whether the requester has attempted to source the product from the U.S. or other countries
- Whether the imposition of additional duties (since September 2018) on the particular product has or will cause severe economic harm to the requester or other U.S. interests
- Whether the particular product is strategically important or related to "Made In China 2025" or other Chinese industrial programs

Response Time and Replies to Requests: Any interested party may respond to a request within 14 days after it is posted, indicating support or opposition of the request, and providing their reasons for support or opposition. Replies to responses may be posted within 7 days after the close of the 14 day response period, or within 7 days of posting of the response (whichever is later).

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Tariff exclusions will apply to all imported product, regardless of importer. Any exclusion granted would be retroactive to September 24, 2018 and will remain in effect for one year after the approval of the exclusion determination in the Federal Register.

Specific criteria and additional information for requesting product exclusions can be found in the Federal Register notice <u>here</u>.

Thank you for being our Valued Customer. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact your C.H. Robinson representative.

Sincerely, C.H. Robinson

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