CLIENT ADVISORY

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Section 301 Exclusions – New Updates

Dear Valued U.S. Import Customer,

Latest Exclusions and Technical Amendments Published

On May 8, 2020, the Office of the U.S. Trade Representative (USTR) published in the Federal Register the 146 List 3 exclusions granted, as announced in their pre-publication notice in early May. The exclusions are retroactive to September 24, 2018 and will expire August 7, 2020. The limited expiration period is due to the duty rate variance when List 3 commodities were initially added to the Section 301 safeguard tariff.

In addition to the new exclusions, there were several technical amendments made to prior exclusion descriptions on pet leads, collars, etc., glass shells for glass insulators, and portable outdoor cooker kits. These description updates are retroactive only to the initial date of exclusion publication.

The Federal Register notice can be found here.

On May 13, 2020, the USTR published several technical amendments for descriptions on certain AC motors, contactors, acrylic copolymers, drinking straws, zener diodes and electronic temperature monitors. These updates are retroactive only to the initial date of exclusion publication.

The Federal Register notice can be found <u>here</u> and <u>here</u>.

On May 13, 2020, the USTR also published eight (8) new exclusions and made a technical correction to the face mask exclusion previously granted. The description now reads "face masks and particulate facepiece respirators, of textile materials."

The Federal Register notice can be found here.

Expired Exclusions

The USTR has also issued a pre-publication notice of the 13 exclusion extensions for the May 13, 2020 expiration date. All other exclusions for May 13, 2020 are expired. The pre-publication notice can be found <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 commercial representative for further information.

Sincerely, C.H. Robinson

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