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182 NEW CHINA SECTION 301 LIST 3 PRODUCT EXCLUSIONS MARCH 21, 2020

On March 20, the U.S. Trade Representative (USTR) announced new China Section 301 List 3 product exclusions and technical amendments. The List 3 product exclusions are set forth in one (1) ten-digit HTSUS subheadings covering certain unworked glass and one hundred and eighty-one (181) new product-specific descriptions covering certain food products, synthetic silica gel, chemicals, rubber hoses, pneumatic tires, backpacks, fishing tackle bags, gun cases, cashmere yarn, polyester filament tow, sandstone, synthetic graphite, rear-view mirrors, motor vehicle metal mountings and fittings, safety glass, windshields, steel tanks, faucet parts, steel tubing, castors, motorcycle cylinder heads, bandsaws, AC electric motors, battery chargers, printed circuit boards, steel and aluminum bumpers, mufflers, bicycles, LED lamps, ventilation fans, etc. List 3 product exclusions are retroactive to September 24, 2018 and expire on August 7, 2020.

The USTR also announced two technical amendments to previously-approved List 3 product exclusions for frozen sole and flounder fillets. Those product exclusions now cover the entire two (2) ten-digit HTSUS subheadings.

The product exclusions from the China Section 301 duties are available for any importer for any product that falls within the special product descriptions and enumerated ten-digit HTSUS classifications. This is true regardless of whether the importer filed the initial exclusion request. Clients may also benefit by filing Post-Summary Corrections (PSCs) or Protests for those entries now covered by a List 3 product exclusion to secure refunds plus interest. Unless liquidation extensions are granted, Protests may be required for liquidated entries. It is important to identify affected entries and filing deadlines. The refund process is complicated and should be carefully considered.

Please contact Marshall Miller, Brian Murphy, Sean Murray, or Ryan Thornton with questions or for assistance.

Clients may contact Ryan Thornton to obtain an updated version of the comprehensive spreadsheet we have prepared of all product exclusions from China Section 301 duties to date.

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