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Subject: Notification of Potential Termination of Actions under Section 301; China's Acts, Policies, and Practices Related to Technology Transfer, Intellectual Property, and Innovation

Kip Howlett,

This letter is to inform you that the July 6, 2018 action under Section 301 of the Trade Act of 1974, as amended (Trade Act),¹ and August 23, 2018 action under Section 301,² as modified under Section 307(a) of the Trade Act by imposing additional duties on supplemental lists of products (List 3³ and List 4A⁴), as well as by product exclusions,⁵ will terminate after four years pursuant to Section 307(c) of the Trade Act, unless the U.S. Trade Representative receives a written request to continue an action from a representative of the domestic industry which benefits from such action.⁶

Section 307(c) of the Trade Act also provides for the U.S. Trade Representative to inform representatives of the domestic industries which benefit from the actions of the scheduled termination and of the opportunity to request continuation.⁷ You are receiving this letter because you submitted a comment in support of the above-referenced actions or modifications on behalf of yourself, a company, or industry, suggesting that you may represent a domestic industry which benefits from the actions, as modified.

Requests to continue the July 6, 2018 action, as modified, or August 23, 2018 action, as modified, must be submitted within 60 days of the action's four-year anniversary: Between May 7, 2022, and July 5, 2022, for the July 6, 2018 action, as modified, and between June 24, 2022, and August 22, 2022, for the August 23, 2018 action, as modified. The Office of the U.S. Trade Representative (USTR) is opening dockets in these two time windows for representatives of domestic industries which benefit from the trade actions to request continuation of the corresponding trade action, as modified. The docket, which will be open during the above-specified time periods, may be found at <https://comments.ustr.gov/s/>. USTR will consider the

¹ 83 FR 28710 (June 20, 2018).

² 83 FR 40823 (August 16, 2018).

³ 83 FR 47974 (September 21, 2018), as modified by 84 FR 20459 (May 9, 2019), and as amended by: 84 FR 21892 (May 15, 2019); 84 FR 26930 (June 10, 2019); and 84 FR 9785 (February 22, 2022).

⁴ 84 FR 43304 (August 20, 2019), as modified by 84 FR 45821 (August 30, 2019) and 85 FR 3741 (January 22, 2020).

⁵ 86 FR 63438 (November 16, 2021), as amended: by 86 FR 69350 (December 7, 2021), 87 FR 4704 (January 28, 2022), and 87 FR 17380 (March 28, 2022).

⁶ Section 307(c)(1) of the Trade Act of 1974 (19 U.S.C. §2417(c)(1)).

⁷ Section 307(c)(2) of the Trade Act of 1974 (19 U.S.C. §2417(c)(2)).

List 3 and List 4A modifications as applicable to both actions under Section 301. Representatives of a domestic industry which benefits from both of the trade actions under Section 301, as modified, should submit two separate requests for continuation within the two respective 60-day time periods.

Requests to continue an action will not be posted immediately, but will be summarized in a Federal Register notice announcing whether the July 6, 2018 or August 23, 2018 action will be continued. If you wish to receive Business Confidential treatment for a request to continue the action, please contact USTR at (202) 395-5725.

A notice containing this information is also being published in the Federal Register and will be posted on the USTR website. For questions concerning this notification, please see the Frequently Asked Questions page on the USTR website, or contact us at the number indicated above.

Sincerely,



Greta Peisch
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