Commerce Square, 2001 Market Street, Suite 2620, Philadelphia, PA 19103.

According to SJVR, this action is categorically excluded from environmental review under 49 CFR 1105.6(c) and from historic preservation reporting requirements under 49 CFR 1105.8(b).

Board decisions and notices are available at *www.stb.gov.* 

Decided: May 24, 2024.

By the Board, Mai T. Dinh, Director, Office of Proceedings.

#### Stefan Rice.

Clearance Clerk.

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#### OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES TRADE REPRESENTATIVE

[Docket Number USTR-2024-0008]

#### Agency Information Collection Activities; Request for Comments— Reinstatement of the Collection of Information, 301 Exclusion Requests

**AGENCY:** Office of the United States Trade Representative. **ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The Office of the United States Trade Representative (USTR) is submitting a request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to reinstate an information collection request (ICR) entitled *301 Exclusion Requests* for three years under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA) and its implementing regulations. **DATES:** Submit comments no later than July 30, 2024.

ADDRESSES: USTR strongly prefers electronic submissions made through the Federal eRulemaking Portal: http:// www.regulations.gov. See the submission instructions below. The Docket Number is USTR-2024-0008. For alternatives to on-line submissions, please contact the Section 301 hotline at (202) 395-5725 before transmitting a comment and in advance of the deadline.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Assistant General Counsel Rachel Hasandras at (202) 395–5725, or by email at *mbx.ustr.301exclusions*@ *ustr.eop.gov.* 

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

#### A. Comments

Submit written comments and suggestions addressing one or more of the following:

(1) Whether the ICR is necessary for the proper performance of USTR's

functions, including whether the information will have practical utility.

(2) The accuracy of USTR's estimate of the burden of the ICR, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used.

(3) Ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the ICR.

(4) Ways to minimize the burden of the ICR on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

### **B.** Overview of This Information Collection

*Title:* 301 Exclusion Requests. *OMB Control Number:* 0350–0015, which expired on January 31, 2023.

*Form Number(s):* 301 Exclusion Request/Response/Reply Form.

Description: Following a comprehensive review of the July 6, 2018 and the August 23, 2018 actions, as modified, in the Section 301 Investigation of China's Acts, Policies, and Practices Related to Technology Transfer, Intellectual Property, and Innovation, the U.S. Trade Representative determined, among other findings, to establish an exclusion process limited to machinery used in domestic manufacturing and under certain 8-digit tariff lines in Chapters 84 and 85 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS). See 89 FR 46252 (May 28, 2024). A mockup of the 301 Exclusion Request/ Response/Reply Form is attached as an annex to this notice.

OMB initially approved an information collection request for Section 301 Exclusion Requests on June 20, 2019, and assigned Control Number 0350–0015, which expired on December 31, 2019.

OMB approved a prior extension for this collection that expired in January 2023. USTR now is seeking to reinstate the expired collection and to extend the approval for three years.

*Affected Public:* U.S. stakeholders who want to request that certain enumerated subheadings under Chapters 84 and 85 of the HTSUS for machinery used in domestic manufacturing be excluded from the additional duties on products of China.

*Frequency of Submission:* One submission per request.

Respondent Universe: U.S. stakeholders.

Reporting Burden:

*Total Estimated Responses:* 5,000 requests to exclude a particular product. 1,000 responses in support or opposition to exclude a particular product.

*Total Estimated Annual Burden:* USTR estimates that preparing and submitting a request to exclude a particular product will take approximately 60 minutes, and the total time burden for the public to submit requests is 5,000 hours. USTR estimates that preparing and submitting a response to a product exclusion request will take approximately 30 minutes, and the total time burden for responses is approximately 500 hours.

USTR estimates that the cost to the Federal government to evaluate each request is 1.0 hours, for a total time burden of 5,300 hours and will cost about \$150 per submission. The estimated total cost is \$813,000. The total cost estimate includes the average annual salary plus benefits, for the federal employees and contractors expected to work on the exclusion process. The process is expected to continue on a rolling basis.

*Status:* After reviewing comments received in response to this notice, under the PRA and its implementing regulations, USTR plans to submit a request to OMB to reinstate the ICR for three years.

#### **C. Requirements for Submissions**

You must submit written comments by the deadline set forth in this notice. You must make all submissions in English via http://www.regulations.gov, using Docket Number USTR-2024-0008. USTR will not accept handdelivered submissions. To make a submission using http:// www.regulations.gov, enter the appropriate docket number in the 'search for' field on the home page and click 'search.' The site will provide a search-results page listing all documents associated with this docket. Find a reference to this notice by selecting 'notice' under 'document type' in the 'filter results by' section on the left side of the screen and click on the link entitled 'comment now.' The *regulations.gov* website offers the option of providing comments by filling in a 'type comment' field or by attaching a document using the 'upload file(s)' field. USTR prefers that you provide submissions in an attached document and note 'see attached' in the 'type comment' field on the online submission form. Include any data attachments to the submission in the same file as the submission itself, and not as separate files.

You will receive a tracking number upon completion of the submission procedure at *http:// www.regulations.gov*. The tracking number is confirmation that regulations.gov received the submission. Keep the confirmation for your records. USTR is not able to provide technical assistance for the website. USTR may not consider documents you do not submit in accordance with these instructions. If you are unable to provide submissions as requested, please contact the Section 301 hotline at (202) 395–5725 before transmitting a comment and in advance of the deadline. General information concerning USTR is available at *www.ustr.gov.* 

#### Juan Millan,

Acting General Counsel, Office of the United States Trade Representative.

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#### ANNEX

#### **Exclusion Request Form**

#### 1. Requesting Organization Information

Full Requesting Organization Legal Name \*(Public) Requesting Organization Mailing Address Street Address Line 1 \*(BCI) Street Address Line 2 \*(BCI) City \*(BCI) State \*(BCI) Zip Code \*(BCI) Country \*(BCI) Point of Contact First Name \*(BCI) Point of Contact Last Name \*(BCI) Point of Contact Email Address \*(BCI) Point of Contact Phone Number \*(BCI) Website \*(Public)

# **Does the requesting organization meet the size standards for a U.S. small business as established by the Small Business Administration? \*(Public)** YES/NO/Not Sure

# Are you an authorized representative/agent submitting on behalf of the requesting organization? \*(Public) YES/NO

Authorized Representative/Agent Name \*(Public) Authorized Representative/Agent Mailing Address Street Address Line 1 \*(BCI) Street Address Line 2 \*(BCI) City \*(BCI) Zip Code \*(BCI) Country \*(BCI) Point of Contact First Name \*(BCI) Point of Contact Email Address \*(BCI) Point of Contact Email Address \*(BCI) Point of Contact Phone Number \*(BCI) Website \*(Public)

#### Who will be the primary point of contact? (Select One)

- a. Requesting Organization
- b. Authorized Representative/Agent
- c. Requesting Organization and Authorized Representative/Agent

#### 2. Manufacturing Equipment Description

Please select from the following pull down menu the 8-digit HTSUS item number for the Chinese-origin manufacturing equipment that you wish to address in this exclusion request.

# Please provide the 10-digit HTSUS item number for the Chinese-origin manufacturing equipment you wish to address in this exclusion request. *A 10-digit HTSUS number is required.* \*(Public)

Use numerical characters only with no special characters (Example: 1023456789). For help with finding the HTSUS item number associated with your product, see <u>https://hts.usitc.gov/</u>. If the unique piece of manufacturing equipment of concern can be imported under multiple 10-digit HTSUS item numbers, please provide all applicable 10-digit HTSUS item numbers.

Please provide a complete and detailed description of the particular Chineseorigin manufacturing equipment of concern. \*(Public) A detailed description of the manufacturing equipment includes, but is not limited to, its physical characteristics (e.g., dimensions, weight, material composition, etc.), whether the manufacturing equipment is designed to function in or with a particular machine (application), the unit value of the manufacturing equipment (please provide a range if necessary), and any unique physical features that distinguish it from other manufacturing equipment within the covered 10-digit HTSUS subheading. If needed, please attach images and specification sheets, CBP rulings, court decisions, and previous import documentation below. Please also describe the manufacturing equipment's principal use.

Note: USTR will not consider requests that identify the manufacturing equipment using criteria that cannot be made available to the public. USTR will not consider requests in which more than one unique piece of equipment is identified.

- a. Manufacturing Equipment Name and Description (e.g., dimensions, weight, material composition, etc.): \*(Public)
- b. Manufacturing Equipment Function, Application, and Principal Use: \*(Public)
- c. Please upload any relevant attachments that will help identify and distinguish the requesting organization's manufacturing equipment (e.g., CBP rulings, photos and specification sheets, and previous import documentation). \*(Public)
- 3. Is the Chinese-origin manufacturing equipment of concern subject to an antidumping or countervailing duty order issued by the U.S. Department of Commerce? \*(Public)
- 4. Will the Chinese-origin manufacturing equipment of concern be used for domestic manufacturing? \*(Public) YES/NO. If you indicate "YES", please describe how the Chinese-origin manufacturing equipment of concern will be used for domestic manufacturing, as well as indicate the manufacturing sector.
- 5. If applicable, please submit documents showing grant funding from, or grant application to, a federal investment program related to the domestic manufacturing at issue, such as the IRA, CHIPS Act, Build America Buy America (BABA), Rural Energy for America Program (REAP). \*(BCI)

- 6. Please address whether the manufacturing equipment of concern, or comparable manufacturing equipment, is available from sources in the United States?
   \*(Public)
- Please address whether the manufacturing equipment of concern, or comparable manufacturing equipment, is available from sources <u>in third countries</u>? \*(Public)
- 8. Please discuss any attempts of the requesting organization to source the manufacturing equipment of concern from the United States or third countries. \*(Public)
- 9. Has the requesting organization purchased the manufacturing equipment of concern from a source in the United States or in a third country in the past five years? If so, please describe why the manufacturing equipment of concern is no longer available from this source. \*(Public)
- 10. Please comment on whether granting the exclusion request for the particular manufacturing equipment of concern would support domestic manufacturing. You must explain why you believe granting the exclusion request would or would not support domestic manufacturing. \*(Public)
- 11. Please comment on whether the manufacturing equipment of concern is strategically important or related to "Made in China 2025" or other Chinese industrial programs. You must explain why you believe the manufacturing equipment of concern is or is not strategically important or related to "Made in China 2025" or other Chinese industrial programs. \*(Public)
- 12. Include any additional attachments that should be considered along with this exclusion request (e.g., customs rulings, court decisions, previous import documentation, etc.). Please do not include attachments that contain your written argument. \*(Submitter Determines BC1 or Public).

#### **Objection to Exclusion Request Form**

#### 1. Objecting Organization Information

Full Objecting Organization Legal Name \*(Public) Objecting Organization Mailing Address Street Address Line 1 \*(BCI) Street Address Line 2 \*(BCI) City \*(BCI) State \*(BCI) Zip Code \*(BCI) Country \*(BCI) Point of Contact First Name \*(BCI) Point of Contact Last Name \*(BCI) Point of Contact Email Address \*(BCI) Point of Contact Phone Number \*(BCI) Website \*(Public)

#### Are you an authorized representative/agent submitting on behalf of the objecting organization? \*(Public) YES/NO Authorized Representative/Agent Name \*(Public) Authorized Representative/Agent Mailing Address Street Address Line 1 \*(BCI) Street Address Line 2 \*(BCI) City \*(BCI) State \*(BCI) Zip Code \*(BCI) Country \*(BCI) Point of Contact First Name \*(BCI) Point of Contact Last Name \*(BCI) Point of Contact Email Address \*(BCI) Point of Contact Phone Number \*(BCI)

Website \*(Public)

#### Who will be the primary point of contact? (Select One)

- a. Objecting Organization
- b. Authorized Representative/Agent
- c. Objecting Organization and Authorized Representative/Agent

# 2. What is the objecting organization's relationship to the manufacturing equipment identified in the exclusion request (select all that apply):

a. U.S. manufacturer of equipment identified in the exclusion request, or comparable manufacturing equipment
b. Third-country manufacturer or importer of equipment identified in the evaluation request or comparable manufacturing equipment

- exclusion request, or comparable manufacturing equipment
- c. Industry Association

d. Other

- **3.** Please identify the reasons you object to the exclusion request. \*(Public) Organizations filing objections should identify any factual problems in the exclusion request (*e.g.*, product description).
- 4. Is the manufacturing equipment identified in the exclusion request, or comparable manufacturing equipment, currently manufactured <u>in the United States</u>? (\*Public) YES/NO
  If you indicate "YES", identify the name(s) and location(s) of the production facilities in the United States. \*(Submitter Determines BCI or Public)
- 5. Is the manufacturing equipment identified in the exclusion request, or comparable manufacturing equipment, currently manufactured or able to be imported <u>in/from third country sources</u>? (\*Public) YES/NO If you indicate "YES", identify the name(s) and location(s) of the production facilities in third-countries. \*(Submitter Determines BCI or Public)
- 6. Please discuss the substitutability of the manufacturing equipment from the United States or third country sources as compared to the Chinese-origin manufacturing equipment identified in the exclusion request. \*(Public)

- 7. Please provide a complete and detailed description of the manufacturing equipment from the United States or third country sources relative to the description cited in the exclusion request. \*(Public)
  - a. Manufacturing Equipment Name and Description (e.g., dimensions, weight, material composition, etc.): \*(Public)
  - b. Manufacturing Equipment Function, Application, and Principal Use: \*(Public)
  - c. Please upload any relevant attachments that will help identify and distinguish the manufacturing equipment from the United States or third country sources (e.g., CBP rulings, photos and specification sheets, and previous import documentation). \*(Public)
- 8. Has the objecting organization within the last two years attempted to sell, or successfully sold, the manufacturing equipment described in the exclusion request, or comparable manufacturing equipment, to the organization requesting the exclusion? \*(Public) YES/NO. If you indicate "YES", please provide supporting documentation. \*(Submitter Determines BCI or Public).
- 9. Include any additional attachments that should be considered along with this objection to the exclusion request (e.g., customs rulings, court decisions, previous import documentation, etc.). Please do not include attachments that contain your written argument. \*(Submitter Determines BCI or Public).

#### **Rebuttal to Objection Form**

# Rebutting Organization Information Full Rebutting Organization Legal Name \*(Public) Rebutting Organization Mailing Address Street Address Line 1 \*(BCI) Street Address Line 2 \*(BCI) City \*(BCI) State \*(BCI) Zip Code \*(BCI) Country \*(BCI) Point of Contact First Name \*(BCI) Point of Contact Email Address \*(BCI) Point of Contact Phone Number \*(BCI) Website \*(Public)

# Are you an authorized representative/agent submitting on behalf of the rebutting organization? \*(Public) YES/NO

Authorized Representative/Agent Name \*(Public) Authorized Representative/Agent Mailing Address Street Address Line 1 \*(BCI) Street Address Line 2 \*(BCI) City \*(BCI) State \*(BCI) Zip Code \*(BCI) Country \*(BCI) Point of Contact First Name \*(BCI) Point of Contact Last Name \*(BCI) Point of Contact Email Address \*(BCI) Point of Contact Phone Number \*(BCI) Website \*(Public)

#### Who will be the primary point of contact? (Select One)

- a. Rebutting Organization
- b. Authorized Representative/Agent
- c. Rebutting Organization and Authorized Representative/Agent
- 2. Please identify the reasons you are rebutting the objection to an exclusion request. \*(Public)
- 3. Include any additional attachments that should be considered along with this rebuttal (e.g., customs rulings, court decisions, previous import documentation, etc.). Please do not include attachments that contain your written argument. \*(Submitter Determines BCI or Public).

#### **Support of Exclusion Request Form**

#### 2. Supporting Organization Information

Full Supporting Organization Legal Name \*(Public)
Supporting Organization Mailing Address
Street Address Line 1 \*(BCI)
Street Address Line 2 \*(BCI)
City \*(BCI)
State \*(BCI)
Zip Code \*(BCI)
Country \*(BCI)
Point of Contact First Name \*(BCI)
Point of Contact Email Address \*(BCI)
Point of Contact Phone Number \*(BCI)
Website \*(Public)

## Are you an authorized representative/agent submitting on behalf of the supporting organization? \*(Public) YES/NO

Authorized Representative/Agent Name \*(Public) Authorized Representative/Agent Mailing Address Street Address Line 1 \*(BCI) Street Address Line 2 \*(BCI) City \*(BCI) State \*(BCI) Zip Code \*(BCI) Country \*(BCI) Point of Contact First Name \*(BCI) Point of Contact Last Name \*(BCI) Point of Contact Email Address \*(BCI) Point of Contact Phone Number \*(BCI) Website \*(Public)

#### Who will be the primary point of contact? (Select One)

- d. Supporting Organization
- e. Authorized Representative/Agent
- f. Supporting Organization and Authorized Representative/Agent
- 4. Please identify the reasons you support the exclusion request being granted. \*(Public)
- 5. Include any additional attachments that should be considered along with this support of the exclusion request (e.g., customs rulings, court decisions, previous import documentation, etc.). Please do not include attachments that contain your written argument. \*(Submitter Determines BCI or Public).

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#### DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

#### Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration

[Docket No. FMCSA-2024-0124]

#### Transparency in Fees Commercial Motor Vehicle Operators are Charged for Towing and Recovery Services

**AGENCY:** Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA), Department of Transportation (DOT). **ACTION:** Notice of public meeting.

**SUMMARY:** FMCSA announces a public meeting to engage stakeholders, which includes motor carriers, towing and recovery services for commercial motor vehicle (CMV) operations, and other interested parties, to get their perspective on current industry practices regarding the disclosure of towing fees to the CMV owners and whether the owner is made aware of costs and fees prior to the tow.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held on June 21, 2024, from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. eastern standard time (EST). A copy of the agenda will be available in advance of the meeting at *https://* 

www.fmcsa.dot.gov/towingfees/fmcsatowing-fees-public-meeting. Individuals unable to participate in the public meeting may submit written comments to the docket listed at the beginning of this notice. Written comments concerning the disclosure of towing fees to CMV owners should be submitted by July 1, 2024. ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the DOT Headquarters Building, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC 20590–0001. Those interested in attending this public meeting in person should register at https:// www.fmcsa.dot.gov/towingfees/fmcsatowing-fees-public-meeting by 11:59 p.m. EST, on June 11, 2024. There will be room for 50 persons and there will be a virtual option. Attendees should arrive at the DOT Headquarters Building by 8:30 a.m. to allow sufficient time to clear security.

Interested parties may submit comments identified by Docket Number FMCSA–2024–0124 using any of the following methods:

• Federal eRulemaking Portal: Go to https://www.regulations.gov/docket/ FMCSA-2023-0124/document. Follow the online instructions for submitting comments.

• *Mail:* Dockets Operations, U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, West Building, Ground Floor, Washington, DC 20590– 0001.

• *Hand Delivery or Courier:* Dockets Operations, U.S. Department of Transportation, West Building, Ground Floor, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

• Fax: (202) 493–2251.

• Submissions Containing Confidential Business Information (CBI): Brian Dahlin, Chief, Regulatory Evaluation Division, FMCSA, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC 20590.

To avoid duplication, please use only one of these four methods. See the "Confidential Business Information" portion of the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section for instructions on submitting comments.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Larry W. Minor, Associate Administrator for Policy, FMCSA, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC 20590–0001; (202) 366–4012; *larry.minor@dot.gov.* 

Services for individuals with disabilities: For information on facilities or services for individuals with disabilities or to request special assistance at the meeting, contact Larry W. Minor using one of the above means by 11:59 p.m. EST, on June 7, 2024. SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

#### **A. Submitting Comments**

If you want to submit a comment on this subject, please include the docket number for this notice (FMCSA-2024-0124). You may submit your comments and material online or by fax, mail, or hand delivery, but please use only one of these means. FMCSA recommends that you include your name and a mailing address, an email address, or a phone number in the body of your document so that FMCSA can contact you if there are questions regarding your submission.

To submit your comment online, go to *https://www.regulations.gov/docket/FMCSA-2024-0124/document,* click on this notice, click "Comment," and type your comment into the text box on the following screen.

If you submit your comments by mail or hand delivery, submit them in an unbound format, no larger than 8<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> by 11 inches, suitable for copying and electronic filing. FMCSA will consider all comments and material received during the comment period.