

**OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES
TRADE REPRESENTATIVE**

**Notice of Conforming Amendments to
Product Exclusion Extensions: China's
Acts, Policies, and Practices Related to
Technology Transfer, Intellectual
Property, and Innovation**

AGENCY: Office of the United States Trade Representative (USTR).

ACTION: Notice of amendments to recently extended COVID product exclusions.

SUMMARY: On May 17, 2023, USTR announced the extension of 77 COVID exclusions through September 30, 2023. To conform with the tariff classifications set out by Customs and Border Protection (CBP) effective November 30, 2020, and changes to statistical reporting categories set out by the U.S. International Trade Commission (USITC) effective January 27, 2022, USTR is making conforming amendments to four exclusions in the May 17, 2023 notice.

DATES: The conforming amendments in the Annex to this notice are effective June 1, 2023. CBP will issue instructions on entry guidance and implementation.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For general questions about this notice, contact Associate General Counsel Philip Butler or Assistant General Counsel Rachel Hasandras at (202) 395-5725. For specific questions on customs classification or implementation of the product exclusion identified in the Annex to this notice, contact traderemedycbp.dhs.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

A. Background

On September 30, 2020, CBP issued a notice on the tariff classification of nonwoven wipes. *Revocation of Eleven Ruling Letters, Modification of One Ruling Letter and Proposed Revocation of Treatment Relating to the Tariff Classification of Nonwoven Wipes, Customs Bulletin and Decisions*, Vol 54, No. 38, at 58 (September 30, 2020) (September 30 notice).

Additionally, effective January 27, 2022, the USITC implemented certain changes to the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS) to reflect Harmonized System modifications adopted by the World Customs Organization and changes to statistical reporting categories.

Subsequently, on May 17, 2023, USTR announced the extension of 77 COVID product exclusions through September 30, 2023 (May 17 notice). See 88 FR 31580 (May 17, 2023). However, four of

the published exclusions did not reflect the recent changes by CBP and USITC.

**B. Conforming Amendments to
Exclusion Extensions**

The Annex to this notice conforms one of the extended COVID exclusions announced by USTR on May 17, 2023 with CBP's September 30, 2020 notice relating to the tariff classification of nonwoven wipes, and conforms three of the extended COVID exclusions announced by USTR on May 17, 2023 with the January 27, 2022 changes to ten-digit statistical reporting categories in the HTSUS. In particular, the Annex makes conforming amendments to U.S. notes 20(uuu)(i)(1), 20(uuu)(iii)(11), 20(uuu)(iii)(12), and 20(uuu)(iii)(13) to subchapter III of chapter 99 of the HTSUS, as set out in the Annex to the notice published at 88 FR 31580 (May 17, 2023).

Annex

A. Effective with respect to goods entered for consumption, or withdrawn from warehouse for consumption, on or after 12:01 a.m. eastern daylight time on June 1, 2023 and before 11:59 p.m. eastern daylight time on September 30, 2023, note 20(uuu)(i)(1) to subchapter III of chapter 99 of the HTSUS is amended by deleting "8421.39.8090" and by inserting "8421.39.0190" in lieu thereof.

B. Effective with respect to goods entered for consumption, or withdrawn from warehouse for consumption, on or after 12:01 a.m. eastern daylight time on June 1, 2023 and before 11:59 p.m. eastern daylight time on September 30, 2023, note 20(uuu)(iii)(11) to subchapter III of chapter 99 of the HTSUS is amended by deleting "3401.30.5000" and by inserting "3401.11.5000" in lieu thereof.

C. Effective with respect to goods entered for consumption, or withdrawn from warehouse for consumption, on or after 12:01 a.m. eastern daylight time on June 1, 2023 and before 11:59 p.m. eastern daylight time on September 30, 2023, note 20(uuu)(iii)(12) to subchapter III of chapter 99 of the HTSUS is amended by deleting "3824.99.9297" and by inserting "3824.99.9397" in lieu thereof.

D. Effective with respect to goods entered for consumption, or withdrawn from warehouse for consumption, on or after 12:01 a.m. eastern daylight time on June 1, 2023 and before 11:59 p.m. eastern daylight time on September 30, 2023, note 20(uuu)(iii)(13) to subchapter III of chapter 99 of the HTSUS is amended by deleting "3824.99.9297" and by inserting "3824.99.9397" in lieu thereof.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

**Membership in the National Parks
Overflights Advisory Group**

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), Department of Transportation (DOT).

ACTION: Solicitation of applications.

SUMMARY: The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) and the National Park Service (NPS) invite interested persons to apply to fill one current and five upcoming vacancies on the National Parks Overflights Advisory Group (NPOAG). This notice invites interested persons to apply for the openings. The current opening is for a representative of Native American tribes. The upcoming openings are for another representative of Native American tribes, two representatives of the commercial air tour operators, and three representatives of environmental concerns.

DATES: Persons interested in these membership openings will need to apply by July 27, 2023.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

The National Parks Air Tour Management Act of 2000 (the Act) was enacted on April 5, 2000, as Public Law 106-181, and subsequently amended in the FAA Modernization and Reform Act of 2012. The Act required the establishment of the advisory group within one year after its enactment. The NPOAG was established in March 2001. The advisory group is comprised of representatives of general aviation, commercial air tour operators, environmental concerns, and Native American tribes. The Administrator of the FAA and the Director of NPS (or their designees) serve as ex officio members of the group. Representatives of the Administrator and Director serve alternating 1-year terms as chairman of the advisory group.

In accordance with the Act, the advisory group provides "advice, information, and recommendations to the Administrator and the Director—

(1) On the implementation of this title [the Act] and the amendments made by this title;