



## POSITIVE TRADE NEWS – CHINA SECTION 301 LIST 1 PRODUCT EXCLUSIONS JUNE 10, 2019

On June 7, 2019, Customs issued CSMS #[19-000289](#) providing guidance on the fifth set of approved product exclusions from China Section 301 List 1. Since December 2018, USTR has implemented five sets of product exclusions in response to 2,421 product exclusion requests. The USTR is expected to approve additional product exclusions on an on-going basis.

Unlike Section 232 duties, exclusions from China Section 301 List 1 duties are available for any importer for any product that is properly classified and falls within the specially-prepared product description and ten-digit HTSUS classification. This is true regardless of whether the importer filed an exclusion request. All China Section 301 List 1 product exclusions are retroactive to July 6, 2018.

Clients may contact the firm to obtain a comprehensive spreadsheet we have prepared of all product exclusions for China Section 301 List 1 duties. The firm's comprehensive China Section 301 exclusion spreadsheet may be used to determine if merchandise is within the scope of the product exclusion to avoid payment of future China Section 301 List 1 duties. Clients may also benefit through filing Post-Summary Corrections or Protests for those entries now covered by an exclusion retroactive to July 6, 2018 to secure refunds plus interest.

Clients should also discuss with the firm if it makes sense to request extensions of liquidation for covered Customs entries.

Please contact [Marshall Miller](#), [Brian Murphy](#), [Sean Murray](#), or [Ryan Thornton](#) with questions or for assistance.

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