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Patricia Pollard
Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary, International Monetary Policy
Department of the Treasury
500 Pennsylvania Ave, NW
Washington, D.C. 20220

Dear Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary Pollard:

On February 4, 2021, the Department of Commerce (Commerce) initiated a countervailing duty (CVD) administrative review on crystalline silicon photovoltaic cells, whether or not assembled into modules, from the People's Republic of China (China).¹ On September 10, 2021, we initiated, based on a new subsidy allegation, an investigation regarding the Government of China's currency undervaluation.² As you are aware, on February 4, 2020, Commerce published the Modification of Regulations Regarding Benefit and Specificity in Countervailing Duty Proceedings that sets forth new rules in 19 CFR 351.528 regarding the existence of a benefit when examining a potential subsidy resulting from the exchange of currency under a unified exchange rate system.

Pursuant to section 351.528(c) of Commerce's regulations, Commerce requests that the Department of the Treasury (Treasury) provide its evaluation and conclusion as to the determinations under both paragraphs (a) and (b)(1) of section 351.528, with respect to the allegation in crystalline silicon photovoltaic cells, whether or not assembled into modules, from China. The evaluation and conclusion should cover the period of administrative review, which is calendar year **2019**. Commerce can also consider such information in relation to a part of 2019. Please also provide the underlying information on which Treasury's evaluation and conclusion rely.

In view of the strict statutory deadlines governing this case, please provide this information by October 8, 2021. You should submit this information via ACCESS, Commerce's electronic case record management portal. Instructions for electronically filing your submission are available at <https://enforcement.trade.gov/download/access/home.html>. If you have any problems or questions with uploading your submission in ACCESS, please contact the ACCESS help line at (202) 482-3150 or ACCESS@trade.gov.

Commerce will treat the information you provide as if it is information placed on the record by Commerce under 19 CFR 351.301(c)(4). Therefore, you need not serve this information pursuant to 19 CFR 351.303(f) or certify it pursuant to 19 CFR 351.303(g). The information you

¹ See *Initiation of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Administrative Reviews*, 86 FR 8166 (February 4, 2021).

² See Memorandum, "Initiation of Investigations of New Subsidy Programs and Uncreditworthines," dated September 10, 2021.



provide should contain only public information, and it will be placed on the public record of the CVD proceeding.

Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.301(c)(4), interested parties are permitted one opportunity to submit factual information to rebut, clarify or correct Treasury's submission. Interested parties are instructed to submit such information no later than October 18, 2021.

If you have any questions regarding this case, please contact Robert Copyak at Robert.Copyak@trade.gov or 202-482-3642.

Sincerely,

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Signed by: JAMES MAEDER

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