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Report Highlights:

On May 30, 2023, the State Council Tariff Commission (SCTC) announced another extension to Section 301 retaliatory tariff exclusions on 12 agricultural products, including shrimp for cultivation, whey for feed, fishmeal for feed, alfalfa and seven hardwood products through December 31, 2023. The 12 agricultural tariff lines are part of a list of 95 commodities that had their Section 301 tariff exclusions end on May 31, 2023 (see GAIN report CH2022-0131). In total, China has provided eleven extensions of tariff exclusion for different lists of commodities with various exclusion periods. The report contains an unofficial translation of the SCTC announcement and a list of agricultural products subject to the tariff exclusion.

BACKGROUND

This report contains an unofficial translation of the SCTC announcement which is available at https://gss.mof.gov.cn/gzdt/zhengcefabu/202305/t20230530_3887764.htm and a list of agricultural products subject to the tariff exclusion (see Annex). The unofficial translation of agricultural-related portions follows along with an attachment including the complete list of harmonized tariff system (HS) codes and products deemed eligible for an exclusion in this announcement.

EGIN TRANSLATION

Announcement of the State Council Tariff Commission on the 11th Extension of the Exclusion List of U.S. Products Imposed with Additional Tariffs

SCTC Announcement (2023) No. 6

May 25, 2023

According to the Announcement of the State Council Tariff Commission of on the 9th Extension of the Exclusion List of the U.S. Products Imposed with Additional Tariffs (SCTC Announcement [2022] No. 10), the 9th extension of the exclusion list of the U.S. products imposed with additional tariffs expires on May 31, 2023. The State Council Tariff Commission decides in accordance with procedures to extend the exclusion period for relevant commodities. The relevant matters are hereby announced as follows:

From June 1, 2023 to December 31, 2023, the commodities listed in the Annex will continue to be excluded from retaliatory tariffs levied against U.S. Section 301 measures.

Annex

The 11th Extension of the Exclusion List of the U.S. Products Subject to Additional Tariffs (limited to agricultural products only)

EX ^①	HS Code ^②	Commodity Description
	03063610	Other Shrimps/Prawns for Cultivation
Ex	04041000	Whey for feed use (protein content by weight 2%-7% and lactose content of 76%-88%)
	12141000	Lucerne (Alfalfa) Meals & Pellets
Ex	12149000	Other Lucerne (Alfalfa), not including meals and pellets
	23012010	Flours and meals of fish, of a kind used in animal feeding
Ex	44039100	Other oak (<i>Quercus</i> spp.) logs (except those treated with paint, colorant, creosote, or other preservatives)
	44039960	North American hardwood logs (including cherry, walnut and maple)
Ex	44079100	Wood sawn or chipped lengthwise, sliced or peeled, of oak (<i>Quercus</i> spp.), end-jointed, thickness > 6mm
Ex	44079100	Wood sawn or chipped lengthwise, sliced or peeled, of oak (<i>Quercus</i> spp.), not end-jointed, thickness > 6mm
Ex	44079400	Wood sawn or chipped lengthwise, sliced or peeled, of cherry, end-jointed/not end-jointed, thickness > 6mm
	44079500	Wood sawn or chipped lengthwise, sliced or peeled, of ash, end-jointed/not end-jointed, thickness > 6mm
	44079930	Other North American hardwood, sawn lengthwise, thickness > 6mm

Note: ① “EX” indicates that the excluded commodity is under this HS line but “commodity description” shall prevail. ② HS Code refers to that in the Customs Import and Export Tariff of the P.R. China
END TRANSLATION

Attachments:

[230530 Attachment for MOF Section 301 Tariff Exclusion HS Codes.pdf](#)