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Report Highlights:

On June 28, 2022, the State Council Tariff Commission (SCTC) extended the Section 301 retaliatory tariff exclusion period for sorbitol and other select non-agricultural U.S. commodities. The exclusion was set to expire on June 30 but has now been extended until February 15, 2023. This report contains an unofficial translation of the announcement and links to reports of other retaliatory tariff exclusions announced by the SCTC on U.S. products.
General Information

On June 28, 2021, the Ministry of Finance published the SCTC announcement, which extends the retaliatory tariff exclusion period for a total of 124 U.S. commodities until February 15, 2023. The affected agriculture-related product is the food additive D-glucitol (sorbitol). This is the fourth time that China has extended the tariff exclusion period for sorbitol. The United States was the second largest supplier of sorbitol to China, with import value reaching $691,000 in 2021, according to China Customs statistics. Germany was the largest supplier of sorbitol to China with exports valued at $2.52 million in 2021.

This report provides an unofficial translation of the SCTC announcement, which is available at http://gss.mof.gov.cn/gzdt/zhengcefabu/202206/t20220628_3822626.htm. Note: the SCTC maintains various tariff exclusion lists. The extension number of any particular list may not occur in numerical order due to intervening announcements affecting other tariff exclusion lists.

Agricultural Specific Products Covered by the Extension of the Eighth Exclusion List for the U.S. Products Subject to Section 301 Retaliatory Tariffs

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Previous FAS China GAIN Reports on China’s Retaliatory Tariffs and Tariff Exclusions:
- Section 301 Retaliatory Tariff Exclusion on Sorbitol Extended Again dated December 28, 2021
- Section 301 Retaliatory Tariff Exclusions Extended dated September 17, 2021
- China Extends Tariff Exclusion on the Food Additive Sorbitol dated May 20, 2021
- China Extends First Exclusion List by One Year dated September 17, 2020
- Updated Guidance on China’s Retaliatory Tariffs and Tariff Exclusions Process for U.S. Products dated August 5, 2020
- China Releases Second Exclusion List for Second Batch of U.S. Products dated July 31, 2020
- China Announces a New Round of Tariff Exclusions dated February 26, 2020
- China Announces Reductions in Certain Additional Tariffs dated February 14, 2020
- China Calls Off Additional Tariffs on U.S. Products Planned for December 15 dated January 5, 2020

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Announcement of the State Council Tariff Commission on the Eighth Extension of the Exclusion List of U.S. Commodities Imposed with Additional Tariffs

SCTC Announcement No. 7 (2022)
June 28, 2022

According to the Announcement of the State Council Tariff Commission on the Sixth Extension of the Exclusion List of the US Commodities Imposed with Additional Tariffs (SCTC Announcement No. 9 (2021)), the sixth extension of the exclusion list of the U.S. commodities imposed with additional tariffs will expire on June 30, 2022. The State Council Tariff Commission has decided to extend the exclusion period for the relevant commodities in accordance with procedures. The relevant issues are announced as follows:

For commodities listed in the attachment, the additional tariffs that were imposed against U.S. Section 301 Measures will continue to be excluded from July 1, 2022 to February 15, 2023.

Attachment:

The Eighth Extension of the Exclusion list of the U.S. Commodities Imposed with Additional Tariffs

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Attachments:

No Attachments.