

Attention EFC Manufacturer:

Please forward this email to the individual(s) in your organization best positioned to advise on tariffs.

The Canadian federal government intends to apply a 25 per cent surtax on imports of steel and aluminum products from China, effective October 15, 2024. [See announcement here.](#)

The initial list of impacted goods was released for public comment and submissions are due **September 20, 2024.**

[The list of products is here](#)

EFC understands that these tariffs will impact some of our manufacturers and have consulted with the various Business Sections at EFC for their position and comment. Some Business sections have concerns that the tariffs apply to raw materials, but not finished products. The steel or aluminum in a finished product is not subject to the same tariffs. Wire and cable manufacturers and Power transformer manufacturers are requesting the Canadian government apply a 25% tariff on specific finished products with the following HTS codes.

- **85.44 Insulated** (including enamelled or anodized) wire, cable (including coaxial cable) and other insulated electric conductors, whether or not fitted with connectors; optical fibre cables, made up of individually sheathed fibres, whether or not assembled with electric conductors or fitted with connectors.
- **76.14 Stranded wire**, cable, plaited bands and like of aluminum, not electrically insulated.
- **8504.21.00** Electrical transformers, static converters (for example, rectifiers) and inductors - Having a power handling capacity not exceeding 650 kVA
- **8504.22.00** Electrical transformers, static converters (for example, rectifiers) and inductors - Having a power handling capacity exceeding 650 kVA but not exceeding 10,000 kVA
- **8504.23.00** Electrical transformers, static converters (for example, rectifiers) and inductors - Having a power handling capacity exceeding 10,000 kVA.

In the United States, these products have a 25% tariff on imports coming from China. There are concerns that without a mirror tariff applied in Canada, exports from China will target Canada causing Canadian products to be less competitive.

We know that not all members are represented in EFC's Business Section network and want to ensure that **your voice** is heard on this urgent subject.

Action Required by end of day September 17th: Please review the [list of products](#) subject to Canadian surtax and provide EFC with the following information:

1. Are there codes on the list of products which you think should be exempt from Canadian surtax/tariffs? If yes, please provide a description of the product, the tariff code, reason for exclusion, and supporting documentation or data (if available).
2. Are there additional codes not listed that you think should be included for the application of tariffs? If yes, please provide the tariff code, the reason for addition, and supporting documentation or data (if available).

Please send your responses with your reasoning using this link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/TariffsEFC>

EFC will assemble all responses, and an Open Meeting has been scheduled for Thursday September 19th at 1pm - 2pm ET. EFC staff will present the collective position, and members will be able to provide feedback. A meeting invitation will be extended to all official representatives, please forward the invitation to those in your organization best suited to participate. You should ensure that a member of your organization attends the meeting in case further discussion is needed.

EFC's official submission will be made Friday September 20th, 2024.

Best Regards,
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