

★ WQA-PAC ★

Addressing Tariffs on Industry Goods

Maintaining
WQA.org/tariffs

Hosted 3 Member
Webinars on Tariff
Updates

Tracking/Submitting
Comments on
Industry Exemption
Requests

Thank you to our members and member companies who are actively participating in our political dialogue!

Kurt Gruett—Water-Right

Larry Gottlieb—ResinTech

DJ Shannahan—Sharp Water Culligan

Tom Harrington—DS Services of America

Bret Tangle—Sterling Water, Inc.

Mike Mecca—Performance Water Products

Don McGhee— Hydro Systems

WQA-PAC is bipartisan and its mission is to assist federal candidates and elected officials who support your business and our industry.

Updates on US/China Tariffs

The United States Trade Administration has, so far, created three separate lists of goods imported from China to receive 25% tariffs. Each list was introduced on different dates, resulting in different timelines and effective dates. Below is a summary with additional information available on wqa.org/tariffs.

To determine if a good is impacted, refer to the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States Code (HTSUS) Code. List One includes, machinery and apparatus for filtering and purifying water (HTSUS Code 8421.21.00) and parts for filtering or purifying machinery or apparatus for liquids or gases (HTSUS Code 8421.99.00). List Two includes, ion-exchangers based on polymers of headings 3901 to 3913, primary forms, nesoi (HTSUS Code 3914.00.60). List Three includes, Activated carbon (HTSUS Code 3802.10.00).

List One

- 25% tariff on listed goods
- Went into effect July 6th, 2018
- Requests for exclusions for goods on List One started July 6th
- The deadline to submit requests for exclusions is October 9th, 2018

List Two

- 25% tariff on listed goods
- Went into effect August 23rd, 2018
- The exclusion process TBD
- The deadline to submit requests for exclusions TBD

List Three

- 25% tariff on listed goods
- Deadline for comment period on listed goods is September 6th, 2018
- The exclusions process will not be released until the public comment period is closed

Download Government Affairs Resources on WQA.org/programs-services/government-affairs

Government Affairs

Updates and Bills List

Fact Sheets & Other Resources

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Issues & Stances

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Learn More About California Proposition 65

WQA Government Affairs has added a resource tab on California Proposition 65 to continue providing information on the state regulation to member companies. Amendments to Proposition 65, article 6, on clear and reasonable warnings became effective August 30, 2018. A new education factsheet, including frequently asked questions, is available on the webpage.

Consider Hosting a Facility Tour with Your Legislators

Face to face meetings with legislators make the issues more memorable, and they don't have to be conducted in D.C.

When going on a facility tour, policy makers can see first hand how water treatment and filtration products and components are improving water quality. It is a memorable way to help lawmakers understand the water treatment industry and encourage them to think about your company and the industry when making decisions about the future of the country's drinking water.

WQA Government Affairs Department helps WQA members prepare for facility tours with their legislators and start building a positive and lasting working relationship with the industry.

Government decisions impact every aspect of the water treatment industry. Federal legislation affects the way water treatment and filtration technologies are communicated, installed, operated, and payed for. Sound public policy begins with supporting candidates to federal office who understand the water treatment industry and know a healthy, robust water treatment industry translates into protecting public health and strengthening the American economy.

To learn more about how you can support and participate in WQA's advocacy work, please contact Kathleen Fultz at 630-505-0609 or at kfultz@wqa.org.

Yes! Count me in.

I want to join my colleagues in the fight for the future of the water treatment industry.

Name: _____

Title: _____

Company: _____

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