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The Honourable Navdeep Bains
Minister of Innovation, Science and Economic Development
House of Commons
Ottawa, ON K1A 0A6
Canada

Re: Tariffs on boiler material, boiler tubes and boiler components

Dear Minister Navdeep Bains,

The Canadian Boiler Society is a society of energy and environmentally concerned companies consisting of boiler manufacturers and supplier companies to the boiler industry in Canada.

Our Mission:

- Promoting ideas and thought-leadership of interest to the industry and the Canadian public.
- Being proactive with governments in matters affecting safety and the boiler industry.
- Providing an educational forum to permit suppliers to the boiler industry the opportunity of promoting best practices to users.

The current issue with tariffs on boiler tubes, boiler components and raw material has had a negative impact on our industry's competitiveness. It also reduces the Canadian manufacturing sector's ability to remain competitive through re-investment of newer, more energy efficient equipment.

The impact is not just on finished equipment but on all components. For example, the tariffs currently being applied to boiler tubing are very difficult to understand and accommodate for as there is no domestic Canadian source for these tubes. The only option is to go further abroad and source Mexican, Korean and Chinese options. This is causing delays and production issues due to extended lead times.

As a society we wanted to add our voice in support of the elimination of tariffs, and other barriers that prevent trade and slow down investment in renewing our infrastructures.

We ask that your ministry, and the Canadian Government continue to put pressure to remove such tariffs.

Sincerely,

Patrick Racine
Chair of the Canadian Boiler Society
