Miscellaneous Tariff Bill

Final Disclosure Form

Part I: Type of Disclosure

This form is being submitted for H.R. 5703 as a disclosure submitted reflecting information provided through MTB public comment period and the International Trade Commission's Congressional Bill Report.

Part II: Written Statement

Member Name: Erik Paulsen

A. ☑ Is the tariff relief specified in this Miscellaneous Tariff Bill available to any entity that imports and pays duties pursuant to this tariff heading? If not, why?

Yes

Please list any known entities currently importing under the tariff heading specified in the Miscellaneous Tariff Bill, including those listed in the Preliminary Disclosure Form, ITC Congressional Bill Report, and any public comments: (if additional space is required, please attach with this form)

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B. ☑ Does the tariff relief specified in this Miscellaneous Tariff Bill benefit downstream producers, manufacturers, purchasers, and consumers?

Yes

Part III: Financial Benefit Certification

I hereby certify that neither myself nor my spouse has a financial interest in any entity named in Part II.A above.

(Member Signature)

11/27/2012

Date

Dear Member of Congress

I write today to encourage you to vote in support of the Miscellaneous Tariff Bill. Through its innovations in manufacturing, the Dow Chemical Company has hired thousands of new employees in the U.S., and created thousands more U.S. jobs in our network of suppliers and contractors. The Miscellaneous Tariff Bill (MTB) helps contribute to the global competitiveness of our U.S. manufacturing operations by lowering the cost of necessary materials that must be imported from other countries because they are not produced in the United States.

Thanks to your leadership and to reforms made to the process over the last few years, duty suspension requests are now open for public comment and debate. This increased transparency and the participation of all companies utilizing these products has helped remove a duplicative tax on industry and ensures that we have competitive access to manufacturing inputs. As a result, we can stay competitive, maintain our manufacturing base and sustain U.S. jobs.

Existing duty suspensions expire at the end of this year and Dow is eager to start the process towards passage. We look forward to working with you and your staff to move a bill that will support job creation through chemistry and innovation. If you have any questions, please call me.

Sincerely,

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