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The Honorable Dave Camp
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Dear Chairman Camp and Ranking Member Levin:

Suzlon Wind Energy Corp. has reviewed the International Trade Commission's report on H.R. 5494 and H.R. 5495, and has concerns regarding the ITC's treatment of ABB and Gamesa's comments opposing these bills in the reports.

First, Gamesa says that it is "sourcing" its power panels and switchgear assemblies from US sources. However the ITC report does not indicate whether Gamesa is producing power panels and switchgear in the United States for its own use or sourcing them from an independent company. This is an important distinction because if Gamesa (a Spanish wind turbine manufacturer that is a competitor of Suzlon's) is producing the products for its own use, that would not mean that a U.S. source for these products is available to Suzlon. Gamesa did not provide any information in its comments identifying the U.S. producer of the power converter panels or switchgear assemblies they claim to be sourcing in the United States. In fact, ITC was not able to identify ANY firms indicating they are making switchgear assemblies for wind turbines, and only ABB claimed to be making a "competing product" for power converter panels for wind turbines. No one claimed to be making power converter panels themselves. ABB provided a one-sentence comment objecting to both bills, but did not provide the Ways and Means Committee or the ITC with any information about the product it claims to be making, such as the location of its production facility or a description of the product.

Second, ABB indicated that ABB did not make a competing product for H.R. 5495 (switchgear assemblies), but did assert there are other U.S. manufacturers of competing products and identified specific companies by name. (see email on p. 8 of the reports). But when ITC contacted each of the firms named by ABB as U.S. producers of switchgear assemblies, only one firm indicated it manufactured the product, and it did not object to the bill.

Thank you for the opportunity to clarify this information. We appreciate your consideration of these comments.

Sincerely,



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