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The Honorable Dave Camp
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Representative Camp:

On behalf of Meritor, a global leader in providing drivetrain and braking solutions for the commercial vehicle and industrial sectors and their related aftermarkets, I am writing to express our opposition to proposed bill, HR 4950, that would temporarily suspend the duty on certain drive-axes.

As you may know, Meritor, headquartered in Troy, Michigan, is a world leader in supplying brakes, axles, drivelines and suspensions for commercial vehicles, off-highway, military, construction, bus and coach, fire and emergency, and other industrial applications and their related aftermarkets. Our manufacturing facilities are located in states around the country including Ohio, Indiana, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee and Kentucky. It is in these domestic facilities that our company produces drive axles with differential, non-driving axles and gear boxes. We are concerned the legislation to suspend the duty on these products will give a substantial benefit to our foreign competitors and put Meritor's domestic production at a competitive disadvantage. As a result, we wish to register our opposition to the following bill:

H.R. 4950 – a bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain drive-axes.

If you have any questions or would like additional information about our product offering in these areas, please do not hesitate to contact me. I can be reached at (248) 435-7907 or jerry.rush@meritor.com.

Thank you for the opportunity to register our opposition.

Sincerely,

Jerry Rush
Senior Director
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CC: Congressman Dave Camp
Chairman, House Ways and Means Committee

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