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The Honorable Kevin Brady  
Chairman, Subcommittee on Trade  
Committee on Ways and Means  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515

Re: H.R. 5623, to provide a duty suspension for parts of gearings, gear boxes, and other speed changers.

Dear Chairman Brady:

I am writing on behalf of Deere & Company ("Deere") to express the company's support for H.R. 5623, and to urge prompt passage of this legislation. This bill temporarily suspends the import duty on parts of gearings, gear boxes, and other speed changers for use in off-road agricultural and construction equipment.

H.R. 5623, as part of the Miscellaneous Tariff Bill (MTB) process, has broad benefits -- providing access for U.S. manufacturers such as Deere to lower-cost inputs. The MTB process enables U.S. manufacturing exports to be more competitive globally and supports job creation in the U.S. These cost savings also benefit manufacturers' supply chain, retailers, and consumers.

Deere strongly supports the timely enactment of H.R. 5623 to amend the U.S. Harmonized Tariff Schedule to provide a duty suspension for these particular engines. Should you have any questions about Deere's view, please contact Sarah Dean at (202) 423-2286 in Deere's Public Affairs Worldwide office.

Sincerely,

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