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Dear Mr. Heimert:

On behalf of John Sullivan, General Counsel of the U.S. Department of Commerce, enclosed are the responses we have assembled to the requests of several Commissioners during Mr. Sullivan's testimony before the Commission on December 1, 2005. The requested information consists of: (i) a list of the companies covered by Export Trade Certificates of Review, (ii) data on total U.S. exports, and (iii) data on U.S. exports directly attributable to Certificates, distinguishing Tariff Rate Quota-related exports from other exports.

Additionally, we believe there may have been some confusion during the hearings on statutory immunities and exemptions regarding the unique benefits provided by Certificates. Accordingly, also enclosed is a discussion of those benefits and the differences between Certificates and the alternatives.

We are pleased to have the opportunity to provide this additional information regarding the Export Trade Certificate of Review program. Please contact me at (202) 482-2717 if you have any additional questions.

Sincerely,

John T. Masterson, Jr.
Deputy Chief Counsel for International Commerce

Enclosures