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Dated: October 12, 2010.

Stanley S. Colvin,

Deputy Assistant Secretary for Private Sector Exchange, Bureau of Educational and Cultural Exchange, Department of State.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Delegation of Authority No. 334]

Delegation by the Secretary of State to the Assistant Secretary of State for Oceans and International Environmental and Scientific Affairs To Notify Foreign Governments of Proposed Hazardous Waste Exports Under the Solid Waste Disposal Act

By virtue of the authority vested in me as Secretary of State, including Section 1 of the State Department Basic Authorities Act, as amended (22 U.S.C. 2651a), I hereby delegate to the Assistant Secretary of State for Oceans and International Environmental and Scientific Affairs, to the extent authorized by law, the authority to approve notifications to foreign governments of proposed exports from the United States of hazardous waste, as provided under Section 3017 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act, 42 U.S.C. 6938.

Any act, executive order, regulation, or procedure subject to, or affected by, this delegation shall be deemed to be such act, executive order, regulation, or procedure as amended from time to time.

Notwithstanding this delegation of authority, the Secretary, the Deputy Secretary, or the Deputy Secretary of State for Management and Resources, and the Under Secretary for Democracy and Global Affairs may at any time exercise any authority or function delegated by this delegation of authority.

This delegation of authority shall be published in the **Federal Register**.

September 28, 2010.

Hillary Rodham Clinton,

Secretary of State.

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OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES TRADE REPRESENTATIVE

[Docket No. USTR-2010-0028]

Initiation of Section 302 Investigation and Request for Public Comment: China—Acts, Policies and Practices Affecting Trade and Investment in Green Technology

AGENCY: Office of the United States Trade Representative.

ACTION: Notice of initiation of investigation and request for public comment.

SUMMARY: The United States Trade Representative (“Trade Representative”) has initiated an investigation under section 302(a) of the Trade Act of 1974, as amended (“Trade Act”), with respect to acts, policies, and practices of the People’s Republic of China (China) affecting trade and investment in green technology. The Trade Representative has initiated the investigation in response to a petition filed on September 9, 2010, and the investigation will cover the acts, policies, and practices identified in the petition. The investigation will consider whether these acts, policies, and practices deny U.S. rights or benefits under the GATT 1994, under the Agreement on Subsidies and Countervailing Measures (“SCM Agreement”), and under China’s Protocol of Accession to the WTO. USTR invites written comments from the public on the matters covered in the investigation.

DATES: The Trade Representative initiated this investigation on October 15, 2010. Written comments are due on or before 5 p.m. on November 15, 2010. Any request for a public hearing must be made no later than 5 p.m. on November 1, 2010.

ADDRESSES: Non-confidential comments (as explained below) should be submitted electronically via the Internet at www.regulations.gov, docket number USTR-2010-0028. If you are unable to provide submissions by www.regulations.gov, please contact Sandy McKinzy at (202) 395-9483 to arrange for an alternative method of transmission. If (as explained below) the comments contain confidential information, the person wishing to

submit such comments should contact Sandy McKinzy at (202) 395-9483.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Eric Garfinkel, Chief Counsel for China Trade, (202) 395-3150, Terry McCartin, (202) 395-3900, Deputy Assistant USTR for China Affairs, (202) 395-3900, or Jean Kemp, Director, Steel Trade Policy, (202) 395-5656 for questions concerning the issues in the investigation; William Busis, Deputy Assistant USTR for Monitoring and Enforcement and Chair of the Section 301 Committee, (202) 395-3150, for questions concerning procedures under Section 301; or Gwendolyn Diggs, Staff Assistant to the Section 301 Committee, (202) 395-5830, for questions concerning procedures for filing submissions in response to this notice.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

A. USW Petition

On September 9, 2010, the United Steel, Paper and Forestry, Rubber, Manufacturing, Energy, Allied Industrial and Service Workers International Union, AFL-CIO CLC filed a petition under Section 302 of the Trade Act addressed to China’s acts, policies, and practices affecting trade and investment in green technologies. The text of the petition has been posted on <http://www.ustr.gov>, under “Enforcement.”

The petition defines products of green technology “as products used to produce renewable energy or reduce the emissions associated with the production and use of energy. These are the products necessary to produce energy from wind, solar, biomass, geothermal, hydro, and nuclear resources, products to enable the production of energy from coal with fewer greenhouse gas emissions, and products that consume less energy or alternative sources of energy, such as energy-efficient vehicles and energy-efficient lighting.” The petition also covers “a wide range of upstream inputs to green technology products.”

The petition alleges that China “employs a wide range of policies to stimulate and protect its domestic producers of green technology, from wind and solar energy products to advanced batteries and energy-efficient vehicles,” enabling China to become the dominant global supplier of a number of green technologies. The petition alleges that China’s acts, policies, and practices in the area of green technology violate China’s WTO commitments under the GATT 1994, under the Subsidies and Countervailing Measures Agreement (“SCM Agreement”), and under China’s Protocol of Accession to the WTO.