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Mr. Kelly Parkhill
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Import Administration
U.S. Department of Commerce
Room 3713
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Dear Mr. Parkhill:

I would like to express my appreciation to the Department of Commerce for the recent decision to extend the Steel Import Monitoring and Analysis (SIMA) System for an additional four years. While I believe that the inclusion of carbon, stainless and other alloy steel drawn wire in the revised SIMA system will benefit our domestic steel industry, I would also urge you to consider extending the same provisions to the following categories of wire products:

- 1) Steel wire strand and rope, and cable (HTS 7312)
- 2) Barbed wire (HTS 7313)
- 3) Steel wire cloth, grill, netting and fencing (HTS 7314)
- 4) Steel wire nails and staples (HTS 7317)
- 5) Steel springs (HTS 7320)
- 6) Steel wire garment hangers (HTS 7326.20.0020)

Including these provisions is very important to the state of South Carolina, and the nation's wire producing industry. I believe wire and wire products are an important component of the steel industry, and coverage of these products is essential to the effectiveness and integrity of the SIMA system.

Thank you for your consideration.

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