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Mr. Peter Lichtenbaum  
Assistant Secretary-Designate for  
Export Administration  
U.S. Department of Commerce  
Office of the Secretary  
Room 3886C  
14<sup>th</sup> Street and Constitution Avenue, NW  
Washington DC 20230

Dear Mr. Secretary:

Our company manufactures brass rod used in a wide variety of industrial applications that support our national economy.

Our operations have been directly affected by the increasingly volatile market conditions for copper, and copper and copper alloy scrap. Since the beginning of the year, we have seen our raw material costs increase by 25-30%.

We believe the increase in these costs is being influenced by the unbridled growth in demand and anti-competitive trade policies of the Chinese government. Accordingly, we support the **Petition For The Imposition Of Monitoring And Controls With Respect To Exports From The United States Of Copper Scrap And Copper Alloy Scrap** filed by the Copper & Brass Fabricators Council and the Non-Ferrous Founders' Society on April 7<sup>th</sup>.

We further respectfully request that the Commerce Department accept this petition and initiate the investigations that will lead to the remedies requested in the petition.

Sincerely,

Devin K. Denner  
Chase Brass & Copper Company  
300 Employees

cc: Mr. Bernard Kritzer,  
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