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The Honorable Philip M. Crane
Chair, Subcommittee on Trade
Committee on Ways and Means
U.S. House of Representatives
1104 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515-6354

Re: Miscellaneous Tariff Legislation: H.R. 4128

Dear Chairman Crane:

As a manufacturer of carbon and alloy flanges, Galperti Inc. is a strong supporter of the Markings Harmonization Act of 2002. The legislation would maintain the marking requirements that have applied to our products for more than three decades. These requirements are crucial to the conduct of our business, and we have relied on them in making investment decisions over many years.

The Markings Harmonization Act would stabilize the law and protect against abrupt changes. The stability and consistency of the marking requirements would encourage further investment here in the United States and make the livelihood of our 50 employees more secure. Since the Markings Harmonization Act preserves current law, it would have no adverse effects on tariff revenues and would not pose administrative difficulties.

We urge the Committee to take positive action on the Markings Harmonization Act.

Sincerely yours,

/s/ Rockleigh S. Dawson, Jr.

Rockleigh S. Dawson, Jr.
President