



## U.S.-China Commission Announces Upcoming Field Hearings

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The Commission has announced plans to begin its 2004-2005 reporting cycle with two hearings aimed at gaining first hand perspectives on the impact of U.S.-China trade and investment on the U.S. economy.

The first hearing will be held on September 23, 2004, in Akron, Ohio to examine the impact of U.S.-China trade and investment on key manufacturing sectors. The Commission plans to take testimony from labor and industry representatives and analysts of the auto and auto parts, rubber, glassware and ceramics, steel, machining tools, and other important regional manufacturing sectors on how they have been affected by economic relations with China and how this may be indicative of broader trends for the U.S. manufacturing base. The Commission will also hear from community representatives on the economic development and other local impacts of these industries' trade and investment relations with China.

**What: Public Hearing on "The Impact of U.S.-China Trade and Investment on Key Manufacturing Sectors"**

**When: Thursday, September 23, 2004 – 9:00 am to 5:00 pm**

**Where: Akron City Council Chambers Room 301, 166 South High Street, Akron, Ohio**

The second hearing will be held on October 14, 2004, in Seattle, Washington to examine U.S.-China trade and investment in aviation, aerospace, technology, and other vital Pacific Northwest industries.

**What: Public Hearing on "The Impact of U.S.-China Trade and Investment on Pacific Northwest Industries"**

**When: Thursday, October 14, 2004**

**Where: Seattle, Washington, venue to be determined**

Detailed agendas for both hearings will be posted to the Commission's website ([www.uscc.gov](http://www.uscc.gov)) in the near future.

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