

United States Senate

WASHINGTON, DC 20510

January 26, 2024

The Honorable Joseph R. Biden, Jr.
President of the United States
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear President Biden:

As you continue to evaluate the effectiveness and economic impact of Section 301 tariffs during the ongoing statutory four-year review, we urge you to increase and enforce tariffs on solar module, cell, and wafer imports from China under the authority granted in Section 301 of the Trade Act of 1974.

China's aggressive subsidies for its own solar manufacturing industry demonstrate its intent to control the industry globally. By 2026, China will have enough capacity to meet annual global demand for the next ten years. This capacity is an existential threat to the U.S. solar industry and American energy security.

In 2023, the price of a solar panel manufactured in China dropped to 15 cents per watt, more than 60% below the price of a U.S.-made panel. These heavily subsidized and artificially low prices put U.S. solar manufacturers at an extreme disadvantage during a critical turning point in the development of the domestic solar manufacturing industry. Section 301 tariffs are needed to avoid dire consequences not only for our economic and national security, but also for the thousands of workers employed by these manufacturers.

We must not allow China to destroy U.S. manufacturing and control this strategic energy sector. Therefore, as you continue your Section 301 review, we urge you to increase and enforce tariffs on these Chinese solar products that threaten U.S. economic and energy security.

Sincerely,



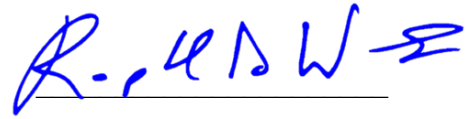
Senator Jon Ossoff
United States Senator



Senator Sherrod Brown
United States Senator

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Senator Marco Rubio
United States Senator

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Senator Raphael G. Warnock
United States Senator

CC:
Ambassador Katherine Tai, United States Trade Representative
Mr. Steve Ricchetti, Counselor to the President of the United States