MTB 2019: Kick-Off and Welcome Back

- American Manufacturing Competitiveness Act of 2016 (AMCA)
  - 10 month process
  - Involves multiple federal agencies, providing recommendations/determinations to Congress
- Some 2016 numbers
  - 3,162 total petitions, 2,486 total comments
  - 2,524 petitions for which Commission made recommendations in its final report
  - 1,655 provisions included in the Miscellaneous Tariff Bill Act of 2018
- Provisions in 2018 Act expire December 31, 2020

MTB 2019: Requirements Overview

- Likely beneficiaries **file a petition**
  - October – December 2019
- Members of the **public may comment**
  - January – February 2020
- Department of **Commerce delivers a report**
  - April 2020
- Commission delivers **preliminary and final reports**
  - June 2020
  - August 2020

MTB 2019: Requirements Overview

- **Report Contents**
  - Article description, including the permanent HTS classification and any technical corrections
  - Estimated revenue loss
  - Domestic production and domestic producer objection
  - Petitioner must be a likely beneficiary
  - Suspension/reduction must be available to any one who wishes to import the product
- **Categories**
  - **I-IV:** petitions that meet the AMCA requirements, with or without modification
  - **V and VI:** petitions not recommended

MTB 2019: What's New

- Renewals
  - Request to renew need not be from 2016 petitioner
  - Renewal is of 9902 provision *not* prior petition
  - Undergoes same review process
- Additional information from domestic producers for comments on petitions
- MTBPS enhancements
- Updated guides

MTB 2019: Tariff Affairs Early Preparation Tips

- Article descriptions are critical for success
  - Go to future seminars for examples of various types
  - Check your tariff heading in HTS Search
  - We intend to post some examples from the last cycle of successful article descriptions and tips for drafting
- Check CROSS rulings for your tariff heading
  - Accessible from HTS Search or on CBP website
- Seek an e-ruling from CBP as early as possible and include it with your petition
- Prepare early, file early – half of all petitions came in during the last 7 days, leaving little time for assistance

MTB 2019: Office of Industries Early Preparation Tips

- Information on the product and the market for the product

- Domestic production

- Estimate of imports and market share. Resources:
  - Your knowledge of the market
  - USITC's Dataweb (dataweb.usitc.gov)
  - Your industry association

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- **What**'s Coming Up
  - Finalizing proposed rule amendments
  - Summer workshop series
  - Updating guidance
  - Portal Walk-Through session in October
- **Where** to go
  - For 2019 info: www.usitc.gov/mtb_landing.htm
  - For 2016 petitions and comments: https://mtbps.usitc.gov
  - For email updates: https://www.usitc.gov/quicksubscribe.htm
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