For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

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## OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES TRADE REPRESENTATIVE

### Generalized System of Preferences (GSP): Notice of Difficulty in Receiving Petitions for the 2006 Annual GSP Product and Country Practices Review

**AGENCY:** Office of the United States Trade Representative.

**ACTION:** Notice of difficulty in receiving petitions for the 2006 Annual GSP Product and Country Practices Review.

**SUMMARY:** This notice identifies those petitions that the Office of the United States Trade Representative (USTR) received by the deadline of July 20, 2006, for consideration in the 2006 Annual Review. Because of technical difficulties in receiving petitions, USTR requests parties who submitted petitions prior to July 20, 2006, to review the list of petitioners included in the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** and to notify the USTR of any petitions that were submitted to the GSP Subcommittee by 5 p.m., July 20, 2006, but not included in that list.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** The GSP Subcommittee of the Trade Policy Staff Committee, Office of the United States Trade Representative, 1724 F Street, NW., Room F–220, Washington, DC 20508. The telephone number is (202) 395–6971, the facsimile number is (202) 395–9481, and the e-mail address is *FR0618@USTR.EOP.GOV.*

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On June 29, 2006, USTR published a request for petitions for the 2006 Annual GSP Product and Country Practices Review (71 FR 37129, June 29, 2006). Because of technical problems, USTR may not have received all the petitions which were submitted. We did receive petitions from the following parties: ANFACER (Brazilian Association of Ceramic Tile Manufacturers), The Home Depot, the International Intellectual Property Association (IIPA), AFL–CIO, and R&J Trading International Company, Inc. Parties that can verify submission of a petition not included in this list should call the GSP Subcommittee at (202) 395–6971 and then resubmit the petition to *FR0618@USTR.EOP.GOV.* Parties must also include proof that the petition was transmitted by e-mail to the GSP Subcommittee by the July 20, 2006, deadline. Such documentation may include a copy of the original e-mail transmitting the petition, indicating the original date and time, from a ''sent message'' folder. The deadline for re-submitting any petitions meeting these criteria is 5 p.m., August 11, 2006.

*Public Review:* Public versions of all documents relating to the 2006 Annual Review will be available for examination on or before August 21, 2006, by appointment, in the USTR public reading room, 1724 F Street, NW., Washington, DC. Appointments may be made from 9:30 a.m. to noon and 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, by calling (202) 395–6186.

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## OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES TRADE REPRESENTATIVE

### Generalized System of Preferences (GSP): Initiation of a Review To Consider the Designation of East Timor as a Least Developed Beneficiary Developing Country Under the GSP

**AGENCY:** Office of the United States Trade Representative.

**ACTION:** Notice and solicitation of public comment.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces the initiation of a review to consider the designation of East Timor as a least developed beneficiary developing country under the GSP program and solicits public comment relating to the designation criteria. Comments are due on August 25, 2006, in accordance with the requirements for submissions, explained below.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit comments by electronic mail (e-mail) to: *FR0618@ustr.eop.gov.* For assistance or if unable to submit comments by e-mail, contact the GSP Subcommittee, Office of the United States Trade Representative; USTR Annex, Room F–220; 1724 F Street, NW., Washington, DC 20508 (Tel. 202–395–6971).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Contact the GSP Subcommittee, Office of the United States Trade Representative; USTR Annex, Room F–220; 1724 F Street, NW., Washington, DC 20508 (Telephone: 202–395–6971, Facsimile: 202–395–9481).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The GSP Subcommittee of the Trade Policy Staff Committee (TPSC) has initiated a review in order to make a recommendation to the President as to whether East Timor meets the eligibility criteria of the GSP statute, as set out below. After considering the eligibility criteria, the President is authorized to designate East Timor as a least developed beneficiary developing country for purposes of the GSP.

Interested parties are invited to submit comments regarding the eligibility of East Timor for designation as a least developed beneficiary developing country. Documents should be submitted in accordance with the instructions below to be considered in this review.

#### Eligibility Criteria

The trade benefits of the GSP program are available to any country that the President designates as a GSP ''beneficiary developing country.'' Additional trade benefits under the GSP are available to any country that the President designates as a GSP ''least-developed beneficiary developing country.'' In designating countries as GSP beneficiary developing countries, the President must consider the criteria in sections 502(b)(2) and 502(c) of the Trade Act of 1974, as amended (19 U.S.C. 2462(b)(2), 2462(c)) (''the Act''). Section 502(b)(2) provides that a country is ineligible for designation if:

1. Such country is a Communist country, unless—

(a) The products of such country receive nondiscriminatory treatment, (b) Such country is a WTO Member (as such term is defined in section 2(10) of the Uruguay Round Agreements Act) (19 U.S.C. 3501(10)) and a member of the International Monetary Fund, and (c) Such country is not dominated or controlled by international communism.

2. Such country is a party to an arrangement of countries and participates in any action pursuant to such arrangement, the effect of which is—

(a) To withhold supplies of vital commodity resources from international trade or to raise the price of such commodities to an unreasonable level, and (b) To cause serious disruption of the world economy.

3. Such country affords preferential treatment to the products of a developed country, other than the United States, which has, or is likely to have, a significant adverse effect on United States commerce.

4. Such country—

(a) Has nationalized, expropriated, or otherwise seized ownership or control of property, including patents, trademarks, or copyrights, owned by a