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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Stephen Astle, Director, Defense Industrial Base Division, Office of Strategic Industries and Economic Security, Bureau of Industry and Security, U.S. Department of Commerce (202) 482-4506, Polysilicon232@bis.doc.gov. For more information about the Section 232 program, including the regulations and the text of previous investigations, see www.bis.doc.gov/232.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On July 1, 2025, the Secretary of Commerce initiated an investigation under Section 232 (19 U.S.C. 1862) to determine the effects on national security of imports of polysilicon and its derivatives.

Request for Public Comments

This investigation is being undertaken in accordance with part 705 of the National Security Industrial Base Regulations (15 CFR parts 700 to 709) (NSIBR). Interested parties are invited to submit written comments, data, analyses, or information pertinent to this investigation to BIS's Office of Strategic Industries and Economic Security no later than August 6, 2025. The Department is particularly interested in comments and information directed at the criteria listed in § 705.4 of the regulations as they affect national security, including the following:

- (i) the current and projected demand for polysilicon and its derivatives in the United States;
- (ii) the extent to which domestic production of polysilicon and its derivatives can meet domestic demand;
- (iii) the role of foreign supply chains, particularly of major exporters, in meeting United States demand for polysilicon and its derivatives;
- (iv) the concentration of U.S. imports of polysilicon and its derivatives from a small number of suppliers and the associated risks;

(v) the impact of foreign government subsidies and predatory trade practices on the competitiveness of the polysilicon and its derivatives, in the United States;

(vi) the economic impact of artificially suppressed prices of polysilicon and its derivatives due to foreign unfair trade practices and state-sponsored overproduction;

(vii) the potential for export restrictions by foreign nations, including the ability of foreign nations to weaponize their control over supplies of polysilicon and its derivatives;

(viii) the feasibility of increasing domestic capacity for polysilicon and its derivatives to reduce import reliance;

(ix) the impact of current trade policies on domestic production of polysilicon and its derivatives, and whether additional measures, including tariffs or quotas, are necessary to protect national security; and

(x) any other relevant factors.

Material submitted by members of the public that is business confidential information will be exempted from public disclosure as provided for by § 705.6 of the regulations (see the ADDRESSES section of this notice). Communications from agencies of the United States Government will not be made available for public inspection. BIS does not maintain a separate public inspection facility. Requesters should first view the Bureau's web page, which can be found at: <https://efoia.bis.doc.gov/> (see "Electronic FOIA" heading). If requesters cannot access the website, they may call (202) 482-0795 for assistance. The records related to this assessment are made accessible in accordance with the regulations published at 15 CFR 4.1, *et seq.*

Julia Khersonsky,

Deputy Assistant Secretary for Strategic Trade.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Bureau of Industry and Security

Emerging Technology Technical Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Bureau of Industry and Security, U.S. Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of partially closed meeting.

SUMMARY: The Emerging Technology Technical Advisory Committee (ETTAC) advises and assists the Secretary of Commerce and other Federal officials on

matters related to export control policies; the ETTAC will meet to review and discuss these matters. The meeting will be partially closed to the public pursuant to the exemptions under the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) and the Government in the Sunshine Act.

DATES: The meeting will be held on August 1, 2025, from 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Eastern Time (all times are Eastern Time). The closed session will start at 9:30 a.m. and end at approximately 3:00 p.m., and the open session will start at approximately 3:00 p.m. and will end no later than 4:00 p.m. Individuals requiring special accommodations to access the open session should contact TAC@bis.doc.gov no later than 11:59 p.m. on July 25, 2025, so that appropriate arrangements can be made. Individuals interested in participating virtually should contact TAC@bis.doc.gov no later than 11:59 p.m. on July 29, 2025.

ADDRESSES: The open session of the meeting will be held in Room 38026 of the Herbert C. Hoover Building, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC (enter through the Main Entrance on 14th Street between Constitution and Pennsylvania Avenues). The open session will be accessible to the public via teleconference.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Kevin Coyne, Committee Liaison Officer, Bureau of Industry and Security, U.S. Department of Commerce. For additional information, contact TAC@bis.doc.gov or by phone 202-482-4933.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

The Emerging Technology Technical Advisory Committee (ETTAC) advises and assists the Secretary of Commerce (Secretary) and other Federal officials and agencies with respect to actions designed to carry out the policy set forth in Section 1752 of the Export Control Reform Act. The purpose of the meeting is to have ETTAC members and U.S. Government representatives mutually review updated technical data and policy-driving information that has been gathered.

Agenda

The open session will include open business discussions and industry presentations. The closed session will include discussion of matters determined to be exempt from the open meeting and public participation requirements found in Sections 1009(a)(1) and 1009(a)(3) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) (5

U.S.C. 1001–1014). The exemption is authorized by Section 1009(d) of the FACA, which permits the closure of advisory committee meetings, or portions thereof, if the head of the agency to which the advisory committee reports determines such meetings may be closed to the public in accordance with subsection (c) of the Government in the Sunshine Act (5 U.S.C. 552b(c)). In this case, the applicable provisions of 5 U.S.C. 552b(c) are subsection 552b(c)(4), which permits closure to protect trade secrets and commercial or financial information that is privileged or confidential, and subsection 552b(c)(9)(B), which permits closure to protect information that would be likely to disclose information the premature disclosure of which would be likely to significantly frustrate implementation of a proposed agency action. The closed session of the meeting will involve committee discussions and guidance regarding U.S. Government strategies and policies.

Open Session Attendance

The open session will be accessible via teleconference. Registration in advance is required to receive the meeting invite for virtual attendance. Individuals interested in participating virtually should contact TAC@bis.doc.gov no later than 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time on July 29, 2025. A limited number of seats will be available for members of the public to attend the open session in person on a first-come basis. Reservations to attend in person are not accepted. Registration in advance is not required for in-person attendance, but you will be asked to sign an attendance log when you arrive.

Special Accommodations

Individuals requiring special accommodations to access the open session should contact TAC@bis.doc.gov no later than 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time on July 25, 2025, so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

Public Participation

To the extent that time permits, members of the public may present oral statements to the ETTAC. The public may submit written statements at any time before or after the meeting. However, to facilitate distribution of materials to the ETTAC members, the ETTAC suggests that members of the public forward their materials prior to the meeting via email to TAC@bis.doc.gov. Materials submitted by the public will be made public and therefore should not contain confidential information. Materials submitted by the public will be

accessible via the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) site at <https://tac.bis.doc.gov>, within 30 days after the meeting.

Closure Determination

The Deputy Assistant Secretary for Administration, performing the non-exclusive functions and duties of the Chief Financial Officer and Assistant Secretary for Administration, with the concurrence of the delegate of the General Counsel, formally determined pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 1009(d), that the portion of the meeting dealing with pre-decisional changes to the Commerce Control List and the U.S. export control policies shall be exempt from the provisions relating to public meetings found in 5 U.S.C. 1009(a)(1) and 1009(a)(3). The remaining portions of the meeting will be open to the public.

Meeting Cancellation

If the meeting is cancelled, a cancellation notice will be posted on the TAC website at <https://tac.bis.doc.gov>.

Kevin Coyne,
Committee Liaison Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Bureau of Industry and Security

Materials and Equipment Technical Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Bureau of Industry and Security, U.S. Department of Commerce.
ACTION: Notice of partially closed meeting.

SUMMARY: The Materials and Equipment Technical Advisory Committee (METAC) advises and assists the Secretary of Commerce and other Federal officials on matters related to export control policies; the METAC will meet to review and discuss these matters. The meeting will be partially closed to the public pursuant to the exemptions under the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) and the Government in the Sunshine Act.

DATES: The meeting will be held on August 7, 2025, from 10:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Eastern Time (all times are Eastern Time). The open session will start at 10:00 a.m. and end at approximately 12:00 p.m., and the closed session will start at approximately 1:00 p.m. and will end no later than 3:30 p.m. Individuals requiring special accommodations to access the open session should contact TAC@bis.doc.gov no later than 11:59 p.m. on July 31,

2025, so that appropriate arrangements can be made. Individuals interested in participating virtually should contact TAC@bis.doc.gov no later than 11:59 p.m. on August 5, 2025.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held in Room 38026 of the Herbert C. Hoover Building, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC (enter through the Main Entrance on 14th Street between Constitution and Pennsylvania Avenues). The open session will be accessible to the public via teleconference.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Kevin Coyne, Committee Liaison Officer, Bureau of Industry and Security, U.S. Department of Commerce. For additional information, contact TAC@bis.doc.gov or by phone 202–482–4933.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

The Materials and Equipment Technical Advisory Committee (METAC) advises and assists the Secretary of Commerce (Secretary) and other Federal officials and agencies with respect to actions designed to carry out the policy set forth in Section 1752 of the Export Control Reform Act. The purpose of the meeting is to have Committee members and U.S. Government representatives mutually review updated technical data and policy-driving information that has been gathered.

Agenda

The open session will include open business discussions and industry presentations. The closed session will include discussion of matters determined to be exempt from the open meeting and public participation requirements found in Sections 1009(a)(1) and 1009(a)(3) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) (5 U.S.C. 1001–1014). The exemption is authorized by Section 1009(d) of the FACA, which permits the closure of advisory committee meetings, or portions thereof, if the head of the agency to which the advisory committee reports determines such meetings may be closed to the public in accordance with subsection (c) of the Government in the Sunshine Act (5 U.S.C. 552b(c)). In this case, the applicable provisions of 5 U.S.C. 552b(c) are subsection 552b(c)(4), which permits closure to protect trade secrets and commercial or financial information that is privileged or confidential, and subsection 552b(c)(9)(B), which permits closure to protect information that would be likely to disclose information the premature