

Customs & Border Protection **Miscellaneous Trade Bill (MTB) Update:**

CBP announces changes to the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS) by the Manufacturing Enhancement of 2010.

Dear Valued Customers:

James J. Boyle & Co. (JJB) would like to inform its customers of an update to the U.S. Manufacturing Enhancement Act (also known as the Miscellaneous Trade and Technical Corrections Act of 2009, or MTB), which was signed by the President and enacted into law on August 11, 2010 and becomes effective 15 days later on August 26, 2010.

(See our previous newsletter [The Current](#) dated July 28, 2010).

On August 19, 2010 Customs and Border Protection (CBP) issued Cargo Systems Messaging System (CSMS) [#10-000200](#), providing a link to [The Manufacturing Enhancement Act of 2010, and applicable tariff numbers listed in Titles I, II, and III.](#)

The Manufacturing Enhancement Act of 2010 covers such products as batteries, loudspeakers, bicycles, household appliances, yarns, fibers, footwear, monitors, chemicals, chemical products, etc. The Act creates new HTS 9902 duty-suspension and duty reduction provisions, and extends and/or revises others that have expired on December 31, 2009. Revisions include changes to written product descriptions and/or changes to duty rates. The duty suspension and reduction provisions of the Act will expire on December 31, 2012.

All of the HTS 9902 changes will be effective for goods entered or withdrawn from warehouse for consumption on or after August 26, 2010.

CBP is in the process of updating the Automated Commercial System (ACS) to reflect the provisions of the Act and it is expected that these changes will be completed by August 26, 2010.

Goods listed in Titles I, II, and III of the Manufacturing Enhancement Act of 2010, entered or withdrawn from warehouse for consumption, on or after August 26, 2010 are afforded the duty suspensions or reductions listed in the Manufacturing Enhancement Act of 2010.

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Goods listed in Titles II and III of the Manufacturing Enhancement Act of 2010, are provided retroactive benefits for merchandise entered or withdrawn from warehouse, on or after January 1, 2010 and before August 26, 2010.

CBP shall liquidate or reliquidate articles listed in Titles II and III in accordance with the Manufacturing Enhancement Act of 2010 upon a formal request filed with CBP. Liquidation or reliquidation will occur only if the request is filed with CBP within 180 days after the enactment of the Manufacturing Enhancement Act of 2010. The request must contain sufficient information to enable CBP to locate the entry or request a reconstructed entry if it cannot be located. The request must be made at the port of entry. Any payment of amounts owed by the Government pursuant to liquidation or reliquidation of an entry shall be paid without interest, not later than 90 days from the date of the liquidation or reliquidation.

Requests for change liquidation prepared by JJB on your behalf by way of Post Entry Amendment are subject to a service fee per Customs entry transaction. If you believe that some of your goods imported on or after January 1, 2010 may qualify for a change liquidation with a refund of duties, please contact your local JJB Customs Brokerage office below for a details and pricing. Please note that JJB cannot submit any requests to CBP until 15 days after the MTB is signed and enacted into law by the President.

We thank you very much for your time and should you require any assistance or if you have any questions, please consult with your local James J. Boyle & Co. office listed below.

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