

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[B–87–2026]

**Foreign-Trade Zone (FTZ) 18,
Notification of Proposed Production
Activity; Pactron, Inc.; (Printed Circuit
Board Assemblies); Santa Clara,
California**

Pactron, Inc. submitted a notification of proposed production activity to the FTZ Board (the Board) for its facility in Santa Clara, California within FTZ 18. The notification conforming to the requirements of the Board's regulations (15 CFR 400.22) was received on July 13, 2026.

Pursuant to 15 CFR 400.14(b), FTZ production activity would be limited to the specific foreign-status material(s)/ component(s) and specific finished product(s) described in the submitted notification (summarized below) and subsequently authorized by the Board. The benefits that may stem from conducting production activity under FTZ procedures are explained in the background section of the Board's website—accessible via www.trade.gov/ftz.

The proposed finished products include: printed circuit board assemblies; load board assemblies for integrated-circuit and semiconductor test equipment; test board assemblies; data-interface for communication board assemblies; and, automatic data processing equipment board assemblies (duty rate ranges from duty-free to 2.70%).

The proposed foreign-status materials/components include: stainless steel stiffeners; aluminum stiffeners; aluminum chasses; aluminum frames; printed circuit board alignment tools; test socket insertion tools; tooling heads; printed circuit board stencils; probe fixtures; load board clamps; printed circuit board stencils; probe fixtures; load board clamps; printed circuit assembly memory modules; printed circuit board frames; printed circuit board holders; printed circuit board carriers; transformers; static converters; inductors; ferrite cores; electrolytic capacitors; ceramic capacitors; printed circuit board communication modules; electronic fuses; bare printed circuit boards; electrical switches; electrical relays; electrical transistors; electrical fuses; diodes; thermal cutoffs; relays for electrical circuits; electrical coaxial connectors; printed circuit connectors; integrated circuit sockets; cable connectors; plug connectors; electrical terminals; electrical splices; electrical couplings; electrical connector

housings; printed circuit board control boards; switchboard socket pins; switchboard connectors; electronic integrated circuits; coaxial cables with connectors; insulated conductors with connectors; voltage measurement boards; power analysis modules for printed circuit boards; automated test equipment interface boards for printed circuit boards; diagnostic logging modules for printed circuit boards; embedded test control boards; motor control support boards for printed circuit boards; process control interface boards; feedback control modules; pressure regulation control boards; temperature control modules; and, embedded test control boards (duty rate ranges from duty-free to 5.30%).

The request indicates that certain materials/components are subject to duties under section 122 of the Trade Act of 1974 (Section 122), section 232 of the Trade Expansion Act of 1962 (section 232), or section 301 of the Trade Act of 1974 (section 301), depending on the country of origin. The applicable section 122, section 232, and section 301 decisions require subject merchandise to be admitted to FTZs in privileged foreign status (19 CFR 146.41).

Public comment is invited from interested parties. Submissions shall be addressed to the Board's Executive Secretary and sent to: ftz@trade.gov. The closing period for their receipt is September 1, 2026.

A copy of the notification will be available for public inspection in the "Online FTZ Information System" section of the Board's website.

For further information, contact Brian Warnes at brian.warnes@trade.gov.

Dated: July 17, 2026.

Elizabeth Whiteman,
Executive Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[A–570–168, C–570–169]

**Certain Alkyl Phosphate Esters From
the People's Republic of China:
Initiation of Circumvention Inquiry on
the Antidumping and Countervailing
Duty Orders**

AGENCY: Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

SUMMARY: In response to a request from ICL–IP America, Inc. (the requestor), the U.S. Department of Commerce

(Commerce) is initiating a country-wide circumvention inquiry to determine whether certain spray-foam systems from Canada, which are completed or assembled with components produced in the People's Republic of China (China), are circumventing the antidumping duty (AD) and countervailing duty (CVD) orders on certain alkyl phosphate esters (esters) from China.

DATES: Applicable July 23, 2026.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Laurel Smalley or Matthew Lipka, AD/CVD Operations, Office VIII, Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482–3456 or (202) 482–7976, respectively.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**Background**

On March 3, 2026, pursuant to section 781(b) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act), and 19 CFR 351.226, the requestor filed a circumvention inquiry request alleging that U.S. imports of spray-foam systems from Canada containing a blend of Chinese-origin esters are circumventing the *Orders*.¹ On the same date, the requestor also filed a circumvention inquiry request alleging that U.S. imports of spray-foam systems from China containing a blend of Chinese-origin esters are circumventing the *Orders* pursuant to section 781(c) of the Act.²

On March 26 and May 5, 2026, Commerce issued supplemental questionnaires to the requestor regarding the Canada Circumvention

¹ See *Certain Alkyl Phosphate Esters from the People's Republic of China: Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Orders*, 90 FR 24579 (June 11, 2025); and *Certain Alkyl Phosphate Esters From the People's Republic of China: Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Orders; Correction*, 90 FR 26967 (June 25, 2025) (collectively, *Orders*); see also Requestor's Letter, "Request to Initiate an Anti-Circumvention Inquiry Regarding Imports from Canada of Spray-Foam Systems Containing a Blend of Chinese Alkyl Phosphate Esters," dated March 3, 2026 (Canada Circumvention Request); and Requestor's Letter, "ICL Response to Supplemental Questionnaire Regarding Request to Initiate Anti-Circumvention Inquiry Regarding Imports from Canada of Spray Foam Systems Containing a Blend of Chinese Alkyl Phosphate Esters," dated April 10, 2026 (First Supplement), at 2.

² See the unpublished **Federal Register** notice, "Initiation of Scope Inquiry and Deferral of Circumvention Inquiry on the Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Orders," dated concurrently with this notice (Initiation of China Scope Inquiry). Commerce is deferring the initiation of a circumvention inquiry with respect to China pursuant to section 781(c) of the Act pending the completion of a scope inquiry, consistent with 19 CFR 351.226(d)(2)(i). *Id.*