

May 24, 2024

Ms. Jennifer Knight, Chairman
Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements
U.S. Department of Commerce
14th and Constitution Avenue NW
Washington, DC 20230

Submitted via OTEXA.USMCA@trade.gov

Re: Request for Public Comment on a Commercial Availability Request Under the United States-Mexico-Canada Agreement (89 FR 31145)

Dear Ms. Knight,

We appreciate the opportunity to provide comments on the Government of Canada's request to amend the United States-Mexico-Canada Agreement (USMCA), which could allow for the potential use of some non-originating high tenacity polyester yarns in fire hose applications.

My comments today are in regard to the following inputs and end use as per the below table:

Input product description	Input product classification, harmonized tariff schedule of the U.S. (HTSUS)	End use product description	End-use product classification (HTSUS)
High-tenacity polyester yarn, single or multiple, multifilament, untwisted, untextured, and measuring more than 920 decitex	5402.20	Fire hose, with or without lining, armor or accessories of other materials	5909

Indorama Ventures Mobility Scottsboro Inc., is located in Scottsboro, Alabama. We produce both high tenacity nylon and polyester yarns for various end use applications, such as automotive and military end uses. We have the capability to produce high tenacity polyester yarns above the 920 decitex, in commercial quantities.

Based on our ability to produce high-tenacity polyester yarns over 920 decitex in the USMCA region, we are against this modification and respectfully request CITA to deny this request. Please reach out if you should need additional information. Thank you for this opportunity to comment on this request.

Sincerely

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