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August 4, 2005

Ms. Hélène Nadeau
Secretary
Canadian International Trade Tribunal
Standard Life Centre
Room 1628, 16th Floor
333 Laurier Avenue West
Ottawa, ON K1A 0G7

Dear Ms. Nadeau:

I am writing in reference to the *Report on the Production in Canada of Certain Fibres, Yarns and Apparel Fabrics* issued by the Canadian International Trade Tribunal (CITT) on June 30, 2005.

Officials of the Department of Finance are currently conducting a detailed examination of the Report. One aspect of this examination involves an review of the tariff items recommended by the CITT for duty retention where the value of domestic production is reported as less than \$100,000. Table 1 of the Report divides the tariff items in this range of domestic production into three subsets: less than \$1,000; more than \$1,000 but less and \$1,0000; and more than \$10,000 but less than \$100,000. It would be useful for purposes of our analysis if you could further divide this range of tariff items into the following three additional subsets: more than \$10,000 but less than \$25,000; more than \$25,000 but less than \$50,000; and more than \$50,000 but less than \$75,000. It would also be helpful if you could identify the companies producing goods classified in the tariffs items that fall into each of the categories in the less than \$100,000 range or, if this should not be possible for reasons of commercial confidentiality, if you could indicate the number of companies producing goods classified in the tariffs items that fall into each of the categories.

Thank you for assistance in this matter.

Yours truly,

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