To confirm My email is Making a submission against the nuisance tariffs and supporting abolishment and a fairer more competitive market.

Where you are collecting revenue from items that have Tariff Concession Orders from some companies and not others.

Eddie Ecolift

On 22 Mar 2024, at 4:55 pm, Nuisance Tariffs <<u>NuisanceTariffs@treasury.gov.au</u>> wrote:

OFFICIAL

Good afternoon,

Thank you for writing to the Treasury and engaging in public consultation for the proposed tariff reform – *removal of nuisance tariffs*.

Following public consultation, the Australian Government will abolish around 500 nuisance tariffs as of 1 July 2024. This includes tariffs relating to escalators and moving walkways (HS 8428.40.00). Unfortunately, the Treasury is unable to assist you with your query regarding Tariff Concession Orders (TCOs) noting this reform does not apply to TCOs, and the Australian Border Force (ABF) administers these concessions. More information on TCOs, including the list of TCOs can be found on the ABF's website. For any queries regarding TCOs you may reach out to tarcon@abf.gov.au. We thank you for taking part in the policy debate and invite you to make a formal submission if you have any comments on the proposed reform. In your submission you may wish to indicate whether you do or do not support the reform. The cutoff for submissions is 1 April 2024. Kind regards,

Nuisance Tariffs Team

Email: NuisanceTariffs@Treasury.gov.au

Treasury Website: Tariff reform: removal of nuisance tariffs

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The Treasury acknowledges the traditional owners of country throughout Australia, and their continuing connection to land, water and community. We pay our respects to them and their cultures and to elders both past and present.

-----Original Message-----

From: Eddie Watt <<u>eddie@ecolift.com.au</u>>

Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2024 10:06 PM

To: Nuisance Tariffs <<u>NuisanceTariffs@TREASURY.GOV.AU</u>>

Subject: TCOs

We import lifts/elevators from a company in Spain called Sumasa as there is nobody in Australia that we can buy from, that can design and manufacture a lift that can be registered with safe-work in nsw. The cost for us to do this is prohibitively expensive.

If these tariffs were never dropped we would have never known that there is a Tariff Concession Order for the types of lifts that we buy. Our customs broker didn't want to use it because Kone has submitted it pertaining to their proprietary product they can't be submitted more than once. For almost 20 years some companies get a 5% duty discount because they are "in the know". We've been audited by customs for one of the imports for resubmitting the last 4 years of imports to reclaim the duty. Which is fine we have nothing to hide. Why is this timeframe only 4 years? The way the tcos are set up is total bullshit.

Eddie

Ecolift



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