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Dear Valued Customer,

Thank you for your business and this opportunity to update you regarding **two** recent Amendments issued on January 19, 2017 by the [Bureau of Industry and Security](#) (BIS). These Amendments issued by the BIS regard Export Administration Regulations and are summarized below.

[82 FR 6216](#) – Support Document Requirements with Respect to Hong Kong

Effective April 19, 2017, this rule requires persons intending to export or re-export to Hong Kong any item subject to the Export Administration Regulations (EAR) and controlled on the Commerce Control List (CCL) for national security (NS), missile technology (MT), nuclear nonproliferation (NP column 1), or chemical and biological weapons (CB) reasons to obtain, prior to such export or reexport, a copy of a Hong Kong import license or a written statement from the Hong Kong government that such a license is not required. This rule also requires persons intending to reexport from Hong Kong any item subject to the EAR and controlled for NS, MT, NP column 1, or CB reasons to obtain a Hong Kong export license or a statement from the Hong Kong government that such a license is not required.

[82 FR 6218](#) – Amendments to the Export Administration Regulations Implementing an Additional Phase of India-U.S. Export Control Cooperation

In this final rule, the Bureau of Industry and Security (BIS) amends the Export Administration Regulations (EAR) to implement the India–U.S. Joint Statement of June 7, 2016 (June Statement), which recognized the United States and India as Major Defense Partners. This rule amends the EAR by establishing a licensing policy of general approval for exports or re-exports to or transfers within India of items subject to the EAR and controlled only for National Security or Regional Stability reasons. In addition, BIS amends the end use and end user provisions of the Validated End User (VEU) authorization to state that items obtained under authorization VEU in India may be used for either civil or military end uses other than those that are for use in nuclear, "missile," or chemical or biological weapons activities.

As always, please feel free to contact our staff if you have questions or concerns.

Regards,

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