



March 21, 2020

Subject: COVID-19 Executive Order No. 8,
Essential Business Exemption

Dear Valued Customers and Business Partners,

In an effort to preserve public health and safety, the state of Illinois initiated a “shelter in place” executive order in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. The executive order became effective March 21st and will remain active for the duration of the Gubernatorial Disaster Proclamation, which extends through April 7, 2020. Our company has taken various measures to ensure the health and safety of our own employees, along with following those health directives from the government at the state and federal level in order help slow the transmission of COVID-19. We have quickly adapted and continue to make adjustments to our operational plan as the situation evolves.

Under the exemption as an “essential business” that supplies critical industries as defined on pages 6 and 7 within COVID-19 Executive Order No. 8, NSCA will continue our production and warehouse operations during this time. The following harmonized tariff codes comprise the majority of the products that NSCA produces and distributes;

- 9031.80.8085 OTHER MEASURING INSTRUMENTS; FORCE AND SPEED
- 8483.40.7000 POWER TRANSMISSION, SPEED REDUCER PRODUCTS
- 8483.90.5090 POWER TRANSMISSION, SPEED REDUCER PARTS

These products are required to manufacture or service machinery for industries defined as “critical” by the Department of Homeland Security, such as food processing and packaging, paper production, manufacturing of personal hygiene goods, etc. The products are also utilized to maintain operations at the different utility segments that comprise our energy infrastructure sector. Fig. 1 is the pictorial overview for critical infrastructure as provided at www.cisa.gov.

IDENTIFYING CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE DURING COVID-19



NSCA will continue to do our part in helping supply those industries and utilities that become even more critical during this period of time. If there are any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate contact me.

Sincerely,

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