Hi,

We are a family business that import a wide range of clothes airers and drying racks from the Artweger by Juwel factory in Austria.

These clothes airers and drying racks are compact designed, high quality and provide an excellent environmental benefit to households enabling them to air dry clothes anytime either indoors or outdoors. This not only reduces environmental impact by air drying clothes, it provides a cost-free ability to dry clothes anytime.

With the need to reduce the footprint of living spaces (homes and units), these products provide an ideal solution. They are small and compact when not in use, yet can be easily opened to provide great clothes hanging space for drying capacity.

I am very surprised that new apartment builds typically include a washing machine and electric clothes dryer. The electric clothes dryer is one of the highest consumers of electricity which is not good for the environment or cost of living. Some more specialist design/builders have introduced our wall or ceiling mounted airers as an environmentally sound solution and benefit to apartment dwellers.

There is currently a 5% tariff on these products imported from Austria – tariff code 76151000. We are informed there is no such tariff for similar products imported from China. In addition, there is now a requirement for BMSB fumigation almost throughout the year. Both of these add substantial cost to the product and therefore add to prices that consumers must pay for the products.

We respectfully submit that these clothes airer products from Austria should have no tariff or be zero rated. By eliminating the tariff, it can provide a huge benefit to consumers to be able to dry clothes without incurring electricity costs, reduce the initial cost burden impost on the items because of the 5% duty, and provide a sound environmental benefit by reducing energy consumption. These cost of living and environmental benefits are a sound reason for removal of such a nuisance tariff.

An additional benefit with reduced electricity consumption is the wider reduced burden on the electricity infrastructure needs.

I have attached a table of products and the tariff code and rate.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Thanks for your consideration.

Best Regards,

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Product Code	Description	Tarrif Code
30040	Samba 200 Ceiling Airer	76151000
30855	Twist 140 Freestanding Airer	76151000
40138	ArtDry 70 Wall Mounted Airer	76151000
40139	ArtDry 80 Wall Mounted Airer	76151000
40140	ArtDry 100 Wall Mounted Airer	76151000
40801	SuperDry Maxi Freestanding Airer	76151000
40101	SuperDry Maxi Freestanding Airer	76151000
40804	SuperDry Basic Freestanding Airer	76151000
40110	SuperDry Basic Freestanding Airer	76151000
40803	SuperDry Mini Freestanding Airer	76151000
40103	SuperDry Mini Freestanding Airer	76151000
40131	Ruckzuck 80 Wall Mounted Airer	76151000
40132	Ruckzuck 100 Wall Mounted Airer	76151000
40133	Ruckzuck 120 Wall Mounted Airer	76151000
40142	RollDry Wall Mounted Airer	76151000
40147	Piccolo Portable Airer Rack	76151000

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