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USTRO Tariff UPDATE for List 4a and 4b Products

50 years ago, FoodHandler was the first company to focus on developing solutions specifically designed for safe food handling. Today, we continue this focus to lead the way in keeping food safe with ingenuity and innovative products for the foodservice industry. In recent months, global trade wars have impacted industries in supply, logistics and import capabilities.

On August 23, 2019, the US Trade Representative Office updated information on the tariffs imposed on imports from China. As of September 1, 2019, a 15% tax has taken effect on list 4a products and on December 15, 2019, a 15% tax will take effect on list 4b products.

On November 1, 2019, FoodHandler will implement a tariff amount of 12% on list 4a products. On January 15, 2020, FoodHandler will implement a tariff increase amount of 12% on List 4b products. These tariff increases will take place for shipping orders on or after November 1, 2019 and January 15, 2020 respectively.

FoodHandler products that will be affected include:

List 4a: Hair Nets *12 % Tariff effective Nov. 1 2019*

List 4b: Gloves (Vinyl, Synthetic Vinyl, Hybrid, Poly) *12 % Tariff effective Jan. 15, 2020*

Direct container shipments landing in the USA after December 15, 2019 (4b) will be subject to the tariff tax increase.

At FoodHandler, what remains unchanged is our commitment to you and we appreciate your continued support. We are working diligently on long term solutions to mitigate the impact of these price changes and will have more information shortly.

Please reach out to your FoodHandler representative for additional information.

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