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The Honorable Lisa R. Barton, Secretary
U.S. International Trade Commission
500 E Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20436

RE: *In the Matter of Certain Memory Modules and Components Thereof,*
Inv. No. 337-TA-1089

Dear Secretary Barton,

As the International Trade Commission (ITC) considers statements of the public interest in the above proceeding, we write to express our concerns that any exclusion order regarding memory modules and components manufactured by SK Hynix would harm U.S. consumers, major U.S. technology companies, and the U.S. economy more broadly.

SK Hynix manufactures over 30 percent of all memory modules sold in the U.S., and the two other major producers cannot meet the demand shortfall that would follow any exclusion order. Such a shortfall could cause a significant price increase in the memory module market – a cost that would ultimately be borne by U.S. manufacturers and consumers.

Memory modules are critical to the manufacture of servers and computers, including those made by major U.S. technology companies Hewlett Packard Enterprise Company, Dell, and others, and used by countless consumers, businesses, federal agencies, state and local governments, and law enforcement. Any action by the ITC that might limit supply of the impacted memory modules could have significant downstream effects on these supply chains.

Given these concerns, we urge your agency to consider carefully the public interest in preserving a healthy market for memory modules and supporting the U.S. technology industry.

Thank you in advance for your consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,

Anna G. Eshoo
Member of Congress