



Dear Save Quartz Jobs Coalition Members and Friends —

Please read this urgent update on the Quartz Surface Products (QSPs) Global Safeguard Investigation that could cause substantial additional tariffs (up to 50%) and import caps on all imports of QSPs. This email also provides details on how you can submit public comments to the Trump Administration and/or participate in the public hearing on June 16 in Washington D.C.

The Trump Administration is now reviewing the U.S. International Trade Commission (ITC) recommendations and schedule to make its decision (by July 17) on whether to impose trade restrictions on QSP imports. **Your input is essential because, up to this point, the Trump Administration has largely heard from only the companies seeking trade restrictions, and not from the fabricators, installers, small businesses, and downstream industries that would bear the consequences of this trade action. This is especially important because the two Democrat Commissioners took the extraordinary position that, as fabricators, you are NOT part of the U.S. domestic industry producing QSPs and thus ignored your views.**

Case Status: The ITC—a bipartisan, independent agency—has completed its investigation and made its recommendations. The two Democrat Commissioners found that QSP imports are causing serious injury to the domestic industry and recommended that the President impose a tariff-rate quota (TRQ) (25% below the annual quota level of 160 million square feet and 40% above that level). **The sole Republican Commissioner dissented, finding that fabricators are part of the domestic industry and that there was no serious injury from QSP imports.** The ITC delivered its report to the President on May 18 who now has the sole power to impose any remedy—or not to do so – by July 17.

What Comes Next and Your Input Needed: The Office of the U.S. Trade Representative (USTR) and other agencies comprising the Trade Policy Staff Committee (TPSC) are now evaluating the ITC’s recommendation and will advise the President.

The **TPSC process** is as follows:

- **June 1:** written comments and requests to appear at the TPSC public hearing
- **June 8:** response comments due

- **June 16:** public hearing in Washington, DC

This is your opportunity to speak directly to the President and his trade advisors about the harms that your business will suffer if a tariff and/or quota is imposed by the President. The harms could include, for example:

- Jobs losses
- Homes/apartments/offices not built
- Reduced revenue and profitability
- Lower fabrication volumes
- Deferred/Cancelled capital investment and expansion

Analysis by economists at Capital Trade concluded that even an 8% safeguard tariffs on imports would cost 1,800 Americans their jobs and reduce fabricator revenue by \$732 million. The 25%-40% tariffs based on the ITC recommendation sent to the President would result in far more significant job and financial losses.

Why your Participation Matters Now: Fabricators and builders are the backbone of the American home building and renovation industry, not the small group of large corporations led by Cambria that continue to dismiss and demean the very businesses that turn slabs into finished products for American families. The White House needs to hear directly from the people actually driving jobs, growth, and consumer choice in this sector.

USTR Submission Instructions: Enter your statement [here](#) **by June 1** for the record. Please do not include confidential business information as all comments are public.

Hearing Participation: Attend the TPSC hearing on **June 16, 2026**, in Washington, DC. Section III and IV of [this document](#) explains how to make a request to appear at USTR. Please note that all requests to appear must be made by 11:59pm EST on June 1st.

The Save Quartz Jobs Coalition can also assist with requests to appear in person at the June 16 hearing. If you would like assistance, please reach out to quartzjobs@policyvres.com.

Thank you.

Save Quartz Jobs in the News

NPR: [How a CEO and Trump donor is weaponizing tariffs against his rivals](#)

KOLO TV: [Rosen, Cortez Masto urge trade commission not to tariff quartz imports](#)

RealClearEnergy: [New Quartz Tariffs Will Make America's Housing Crisis Worse](#)
Minnesota Star Tribune Letter to the Editor: [Large companies want tariffs tilted in their favor \(and against the rest of us\)](#)

Minnesota Star Tribune: [Minnesota's Cambria wants big tariffs on cheap quartz imports. Homebuilders are fighting the effort](#)

Kitchen & Bath News: [Ruling on Quartz Imports Draws Ire of Trade Group](#)

St. Louis Post-Dispatch: [Pending trade case could raise the cost of a new kitchen](#)
Stone World: [ITC advances quartz import case, sets April hearing on possible remedies](#)
Stone World Podcast: [Save Quartz Jobs Initiative](#)
Politico: [Kitchen countertop politics](#)
Norfolk Daily News: [U.S. International Trade Commission Vote on Imported Quartz Puts 100,000 U.S. Jobs at Risk](#)
retrofit: [Save Quartz Jobs Releases Statement after Recent U.S. International Trade Commission Vote](#)
National Today: [Quartz Fabricators Defend American Jobs at ITC Hearing](#)
Axios: [Quartz tariff could raise countertop costs](#)
Reason: [American Quartz Manufacturers Want To Make Kitchen Countertops Even More Expensive](#)
retrofit: [Save Quartz Jobs Launches to Ensure Access to Affordable Quartz](#)
Kitchen & Bath News: [Coalition Seeking to Block Tariffs on Quartz Imports](#)
Press Release: [New Coalition Launched to Protect U.S. Quartz Industry and Jobs](#)