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Subject: Submission to the Productivity Commission's Review of General Tariff Arrangements.

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Meritor Heavy Vehicle Systems Australia Ltd, of No 70 Berkshire rd Sunshine Victoria, Being a company engaged in the local Manufacture, Assembly, and supply of Drivetrain components to Australia's heavy commercial truck manufactures/assemblers, wishes to protest in the strongest possible manner regarding the proposed removal of the general 5% tariff.

We believe that the abolition of this general tariff will threaten the competitiveness of our local Australian customers and favour the fully imported commercial heavy trucks, which in turn, will jeopardise the future viability of our direct Australian local and export business, employing 75 people and, furthermore, have significant flow on affect to the local market suppliers to our business.

In view of the above concerns, we request consideration for Australian manufactures operating under the present general 5% tariff be protected and thereby secure the ongoing future of our direct, and indirect employees within our business.

Graeme Hall.
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