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**U.S. Customs and  
Border Protection**

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CLEVELAND AREA PORT PIPELINE

**TO:** Port Directors, Assistant Port Directors (Trade), Import Specialists, CBP Officers, Entry Specialists, Brokers, Importers, and other interested parties

**SUBJECT:** QBT-07-593: 2008 Tariff Rate Quota and Agriculture Licensing on Cheddar Cheese and Cheese Substitutes

COMMODITY:

Cheddar cheese and cheese substitutes as provided for in chapter 4, additional U.S. note 18

QUOTA PERIOD:

January 1, 2008, through December 31, 2008

OPENING DAY:

Wednesday, January 2, 2008

RESTRAINT LEVEL

Australia	2,450,000 kg
Canada	833,417 kg
Chile	220,000 kg
EC 25	1,313,000 kg
New Zealand	8,200,000 kg
Other countries or areas	139,889 kg
Any country (except Mexico)	100,000 kg

HTS NUMBERS:

The tariff numbers listed below may only to be used for cheddar cheese from Canada that meet the specific requirements of chapter 4, U.S. note 18 (c):

Low Rate -- No Agriculture Licensing

First Tariff Field

0406.20.3110

0406.90.0810

The tariff numbers listed below may be used for cheddar cheese from all countries and areas:

<u>Low Rate -- Agriculture Licensing</u>	<u>High Rate</u>	
First Tariff Field	First Tariff Field	Second Tariff Field
0406.10.2400	9904.05.59	0406.10.2800 or
0406.20.3190	9904.05.60	0406.20.3300 or
0406.20.6500	9904.05.61	0406.20.6700 or
0406.30.2400	9904.05.62	0406.30.2800 or
0406.30.6500	9904.05.63	0406.30.6700 or
0406.90.0890	9904.05.64	0406.90.1200 or
0406.90.7600	9904.05.65	0406.90.7800
	9904.05.66	
	9904.05.67	
	9904.05.68	
	9904.05.69	
	9904.05.70	
	9904.05.71	
	9904.05.72	

**REPORTING INSTRUCTIONS:**

Use entry type code 02, 06, 07, 12, 23, 32, 38 or 52

Merchandise presented at the opening shall be reported and released via the ACS quota module until a "hold" status is indicated.

Report in kilograms (kg)

**SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS:**

Imports described in Chapter 4, additional U.S. note 18 are subject to agriculture licensing, except for products of Canada described above. If no license is used or presented, the importer must enter the above commodities under the high rate. Due to Department of Agriculture requirements, any imports at the high rate must be reported through the quota module.

Please refer to chapter 99, subchapter IV, U.S. note 1 for the list of countries that are not subject to additional agricultural safeguard duties under heading 9904. Imports from these countries should be presented as a type 02 entry using the high rate (over-quota) tariff number provided for in chapters 4, 15, 17, 18, 21, or 22, without the chapter 99 HTS number. These entries must still be reported through the ACS quota module.

For further information on the Agriculture Licensing System, please contact Jorge Martinez at (202) 720-9439 or Betty Ann Gonzales at (202) 720-1344 of the Department of Agriculture.

Questions regarding this pipeline should be directed to Commodity Team 314 at (440) 891-3824.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Marc A. Hurteau". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a prominent horizontal stroke across the middle.

Marc A. Hurteau  
Area Port Director