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Restriction on the export of solar modules





Overview

Will China impose a tariff quota on solar cells & modules?

Since 2018, “safeguard” measures on Chinese-produced solar cells and modules have been in place and have been extended through 2026. The 2018 Presidential Proclamation implementing the recommendations of the USITC imposed a tariff-rate quota (TRQ) of 2.5 gigawatts (GW), allowing for up to that amount to be imported, above which tariffs are imposed.

How many exclusions are there for solar manufacturing equipment?

Exclusions for solar manufacturing equipment, reduced to 14 from the 19 initially proposed: USTR’s May Notice proposed 19 exclusions covering solar manufacturing equipment: five for equipment to manufacture solar modules; six for solar cells; and eight for solar wafers.

Are trade barriers affecting Chinese exports of PV cells and modules?

According to the results in the first two columns in Table 2, compared with the trade situation between China and economies that have not initiated ACPs, the trade barriers between China and Europe and the USA has had a significant negative impact on Chinese exports of PV cells and modules.

Do trade restrictions affect Chinese PV exports?

It is based on Chinese PV trade data (HS 8-digit coding) from 2009–2019 and trade policy data from the World Bank’s Temporary Trade Barriers Database. The study reveals that trade restriction policies have significantly negatively impacted Chinese PV exports, with adverse effects exhibiting temporal heterogeneity.



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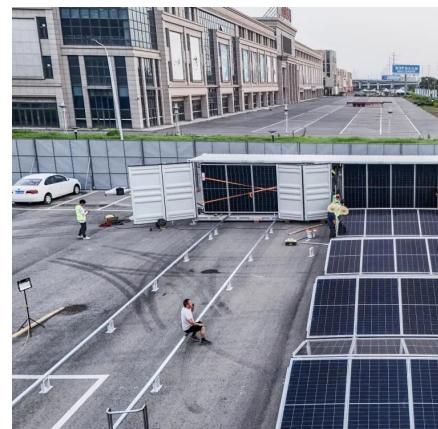
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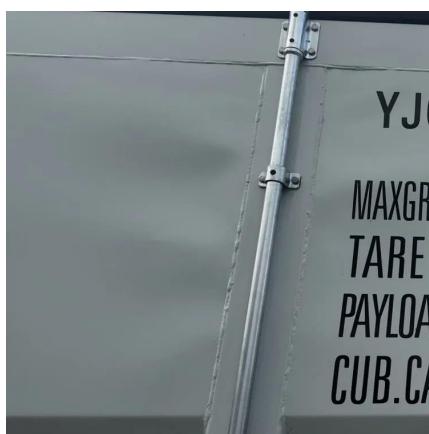
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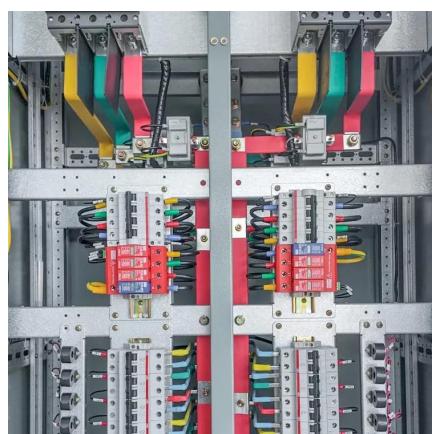
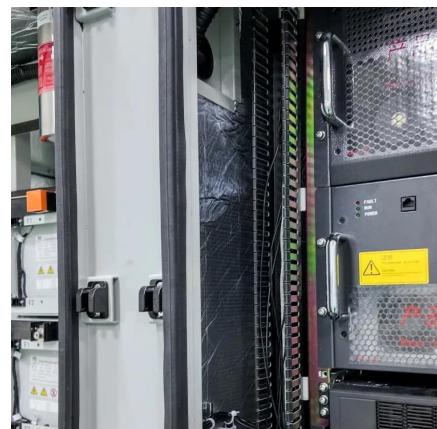


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