



DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

Pacific Northwest National Laboratory *et. al*; Application(s) for Duty-Free Entry of Scientific Instruments

Pursuant to Section 6(c) of the Educational, Scientific and Cultural Materials Importation Act of 1966 (Pub. L. 89-651, as amended by Pub. L. 106-36; 80 Stat. 897; 15 CFR part 301), we invite comments on the question of whether instruments of equivalent scientific value, for the purposes for which the instruments shown below are intended to be used, are being manufactured in the United States.

Comments must comply with 15 CFR 301.5(a)(3) and (4) of the regulations and be postmarked on or before (Insert date 20 days after publication in the FEDERAL REGISTER). Address written comments to Statutory Import Programs Staff, Room 40005, U.S. Department of Commerce, Washington, D.C. 20230. Please also e-mail a copy of those comments to SIPS-Florence@trade.gov.

Docket Number: 26-105. Applicant: Pacific Northwest National Laboratory, 790 6th Street Richland, WA 99354. Instrument: Nu Sapphire. Manufacturer: Nu Instruments, United Kingdom. Intended Use: The instrument is intended to measure isotopic ratio of elements. Justification for Duty-Free Entry: According to the applicant, there are no instruments of the same general category manufactured in the United States. Application accepted by Commissioner of Customs: December 1, 2025.

Docket Number: 26-109. Applicant: UChicago Argonne LLC, 9700 S Cass Avenue, Lemont, Illinois 60439. Instrument: CVD Diamond Windows. Manufacturer: Diamond Materials GmbH & Co. KG, Germany. Intended Use: The instrument is intended to be used in research to absorb heat from X-ray source. Justification for Duty-Free Entry: According to the applicant, there are no instruments of the same general category manufactured in the United States. Application accepted by Commissioner of Customs: November 25, 2025.

Docket Number: 26-136. Applicant: UChicago Argonne LLC, 9700 S Cass Avenue, Lemont, Illinois 60439. Instrument: RF Power Amplifier. Manufacturer: SEOCAL Incorporated (dba CORNES Technologies USA), Japan. Intended Use: The instrument is intended to be used to study material properties for use in material science and biomedical applications. Justification for Duty-Free Entry: According to the applicant, there are no instruments of the same general category manufactured in the United States. Application accepted by Commissioner of Customs: October 28, 2025.

Docket Number: 26-139. Applicant: UChicago Argonne LLC, 9700 S Cass Avenue, Lemont, Illinois 60439. Instrument: Electron Beam Evaporator. Manufacturer: SPECS GmbH, BU FOCUS, Germany. Intended Use: The instrument is intended to be used to evaporate materials for thin film studies. Justification for Duty-Free Entry: According to the applicant, there are no instruments of the same general category manufactured in the United States. Application accepted by Commissioner of Customs: October 6, 2025.

Dated: August 7, 2026.

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