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**CCSPA Applauds the Resolution of the Canada/US Trade Dispute over Steel and Aluminum & Countermeasures**

**May 17, 2019 – Ottawa, Ontario** - Canadian Consumer Specialty Products Association (CCSPA) joins our Member Companies across Canada applauding the American and Canadian governments for resolving their trade dispute over Steel and Aluminum and the Surtaxes Imposed on Certain Products Originating in the United States, issued by the Canada Border Services Agency on June 29, 2018. The resolution of this dispute will unquestionably and immediately benefit consumers on both sides of the border.

Shannon Coombs, the President of CCSPA, commented, “These negotiations have resulted in a fair agreement for all concerned, this agreement will benefit not only the North American business climate, but consumers as well.” “In the coming days, CCSPA encourages all parties to move towards the ratification of the modern Canada-United States-Mexico Agreement to ensure a predictable marketplace for our companies”.

Canadian consumers were impacted on a wide range of beneficial products that we all use every day. This tariff relief will not only benefit Canadian consumers but will now help members focus on being competitive in the North American marketplace. All CCSPA members look forward to the next steps on the rapid approval and implementation of the CUSMA by Canada, the United States, and Mexico.

CCSPA would like to thank our Government for their efforts to date to work proactively with our trading partners over the two years on this important file.

**About Canadian Consumer Specialty Products Association** ([www.ccspa.org](http://www.ccspa.org)): CCSPA is a national trade association that represents 35 member companies across Canada, collectively a $20 billion industry directly employing 12,000 people in over 120 facilities. Our companies manufacture, process, package and distribute consumer, industrial and institutional specialty products such as soaps and detergents, pest control products, aerosols, hard surface disinfectants, deodorizers and automotive chemicals.

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