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Dear Valued MTS Supplier,

On March 20, 2020, the Under Secretary of Defense issued a memorandum and guidance describing the Defense Industrial Base (DIB) and guidelines during the COVID-19 pandemic for companies engaged in work critical to public health and safety as well as economic and national security. “Companies aligned with the essential critical infrastructure workforce definition are expected to maintain their normal work schedules.”
See Under Secretary of Defense Memorandum via link.

<https://media.defense.gov/2020/Mar/22/2002268024/-1/-1/1/DEFENSE-INDUSTRIAL-BASE-ESSENTIAL-CRITICAL-INFRASTRUCTURE-WORKFORCE-MEMO.PDF>

The Defense Industrial Base (DIB) and Critical Manufacturing sectors are identified as Critical Infrastructure Sectors by the Department of Homeland Security. *See* “Defense Industrial Base” and “Critical Manufacturing” definitions set forth in *CISA Guidance on the Essential Critical Infrastructure Workforce* via link.

https://www.cisa.gov/sites/default/files/publications/CISA_Guidance_on_the_Essential_Critical_Infrastructure_Workforce_508C_0.pdf

MTS is included in both the DIB and Critical Manufacturing sectors, and its operations and products directly support companies in other identified essential sectors. As part of the Essential Critical Infrastructure, MTS’ facility in Eden Prairie, Minnesota, will maintain a normal work schedule and operate in accordance with the Exemptions – Critical Sectors set forth in the *State of Minnesota, Emergency Executive Order 20-20*. *See Executive Order 20-20* via link.

https://mn.gov/governor/assets/3a.%20EO%2020-20%20FINAL%20SIGNED%20Filed_tcm1055-425020.pdf

Please review the above referenced guidance and advise us if you anticipate or become aware of any disruption in your ability to provide the products you supply to MTS. If you will be unable to support MTS, please contact your established MTS supply chain partner.

We greatly appreciate your continued support as we all work through this difficult period together.

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