

# The Source

A weekly newsletter for members of the  
Electronic Components Industry Association.



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## ECIA Welcomes New Members in October

[E-Switch, Inc.](#)

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## Upcoming Events

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**November 13-16, 2018**

Munich, Germany

[Weekly Economic Trends](#)

[National Association of  
Manufacturers](#)

Chief economist Chad Moutray provides weekly analysis of key U.S. government economic data and manufacturing industry trends in the [Monday Economic Report](#).

## Key Links

[www.ecianow.org](http://www.ecianow.org)

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## U.S. Department of Commerce Seeks Comment on Prohibiting Export of Electronic Waste

Responses due by December 24, 2018



The Bureau of Industry and Security (BIS) within the U.S. Department of Commerce is seeking public comment on prohibiting the export of "electronic waste." Comments are being sought on: the definition of electronic waste, prohibition exemptions, identifying means of disposal if the waste cannot be exported and implementation of

recordkeeping and tracking requirements.

BIS is inviting comment on the definition of electronic waste, as well as any alternative definition. Waste that could be exempt from the export prohibition could include consumer appliances with electronic features; electronic parts of motor vehicles; tested and working used electronics and recalled electronics.

Two approaches for the reporting of exempted electronic waste are being considered. One approach would be a new export license while the other would be a new data element in the Automated Export System (AES).

Finally, the Federal government is seeking comments on the prevalence of counterfeit components in the electronic supply chain and whether the changes contemplated would alleviate the problem.

*This initiative represents recognition that exported electronic waste is typically harvested for electronic components. These harvested parts are often the source of counterfeit parts.*

The deadline for submitting comments is **December 24, 2018**. The full text of the BIS announcement may be found at <https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2018/10/23/2018-23044/request-for-public-comments-regarding-foreign-disposition-of-certain-commodities>

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Attendees at the 2018 ECIA Executive Conference in Chicago last week were nearly unanimous in their positive feedback: this year's conference was one of the best. By all measures: record attendance, speaker and session evaluations at 4 or 5 on a 5-point scale, and sponsor support, this year's conference was a winning combination. Sessions tackled subjects from cyber security to tax reform; improved sales performance to enhanced customer experience and industry challenges such as recruitment and retention.

Presentations are available to attendees via the ECIA Events mobile app and video presentations will be available soon.

## Industry Professional Development Training Save the Date | March 10-12th University of Innovative Distribution



Since 1994, the University of Innovative Distribution (UID) has been a renowned educational program focused on the unique needs of the wholesale-distribution industry. Known worldwide for excellence in education, UID is sponsored by the leading distribution trade associations, in cooperation with the Innovative Distribution Program at Purdue University. Working together, these groups take great pride in providing a superior learning experience. Your ECIA membership provides you a discounted fee at registration. The early bird rate for members is \$1,095, which remains in effect until January 9, 2019. Save the date - online registration is available **November 1**.

### Did You Know? Speaker Presentations Available on Mobile App

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