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August 16, 2017 — Matt Nicely, who is representing the Solar Energy Industries Association (SEIA) before the U.S. International Trade Commission (ITC), was quoted in [The New York Times](#) regarding the clash between solar developers and panel makers over a requested tariff.

On Aug. 15, two struggling solar manufacturers urged the ITC to impose steep tariffs on imported solar panels. Panel maker Suniva filed the petition in April, nine days after the company sought Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection. The SEIA, which organized 200 solar workers to attend the hearing, opposes the petition because it claims tariffs would drive up the price of solar power and cripple the industry.

“They seek a public remedy for their own private failings,” Nicely told the newspaper. “If successful, they will undermine the hard work and innovation that is making solar a viable alternative to conventional energy sources.”

If the ITC determines by Sept. 22 that imports have harmed domestic producers, the commission will recommend remedies to President Donald Trump by Nov. 13. Trump can then either accept or reject the recommendation.

The hearing also drew coverage in [The Wall Street Journal](#), [The Washington Post](#), [the Los Angeles Times](#), [Reuters](#), [the Houston Chronicle](#) and other news outlets.

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