

UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

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To Whom it May Concern:

The purpose of this letter is to request certain information on the operations of your firm in connection with the Commission's review investigations concerning stainless steel wire rod from Italy, Japan, Korea, Spain, Sweden, and Taiwan (investigations Nos. 701-TA-373 (Review) and 731-TA-770-775 (Review)).

The data furnished in response to this request that reveal the individual operations of your firm will be treated as business proprietary by the Commission to the extent that such data are not otherwise available to the public and will not be disclosed except as may be required by law. Such business proprietary information will not be published in a manner that will reveal the individual operations of your firm.

Please provide the information requested in the attachment to this letter directly to the Commission's investigator (D.J. Na, Room 615, U.S. International Trade Commission, 500 E Street, SW, Washington, DC, 20436) by no later than March 31, 2004. No copies are necessary. If you have any questions concerning the investigation or this request please contact D.J. Na at 202-708-4727.

Thank you for your assistance,

Robert Carpenter Director

Attachment