

UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:) Investigation Nos.:
GRAY PORTLAND CEMENT AND CEMENT) 731-TA-461
CLINKER FROM JAPAN) (FOURTH REVIEW)
AND)
STEEL CONCRETE REINFORCING BAR) 701-TA-564 AND 731-1338 AND 1340
FROM JAPAN AND TURKEY) (FINAL REVIEW)

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Schmidtlein, presiding.

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P R O C E E D I N G S

(11:01 a.m.)

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3 CHAIRMAN SCHMIDTLEIN: Good morning. This
4 meeting of the U.S. International Trade Commission will now
5 come to order. Before we begin I would just like to take a
6 moment to acknowledge that this is Commissioner Kieff's
7 last public meeting here at the ITC. On behalf of everyone
8 at the Commission, I want to thank Commissioner Kieff for
9 his public service, and wish him all the best as he returns
10 to academia.

11 COMMISSIONER WILLIAMSON: I also want to join
12 you in wishing Commissioner Kieff all the best as he goes
13 back to becoming a professor. And I want to say how much
14 I've enjoyed having him at the Commission and how much I
15 appreciated his creativity, his energy, and particularly
16 his openness and willingness to dialog about things. In
17 fact, I may miss him so much that I might show up in one of
18 your classes one day. But I wish you all the best.

19 VICE CHAIRMAN JOHANSON: I'd also like to thank
20 Commissioner Kieff for his years of service here at the
21 Commission. I wish you the best at returning back to being
22 a law professor, it sounds like a lot of fun, maybe more
23 fun than being here. I think I would like to sit in on some
24 of your first year Property classes, that's really a great
25 subject, but I no longer am engaged in that line of work,

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1 but I think it's exciting you get to return to that life.

2 So I wish you the best.

3 COMMISSIONER BROADBENT: Yea, I just want to echo
4 that -- we are going to miss you and just appreciate your
5 ability to work collaboratively and look at things from a
6 fresh perspective and exchange ideas, I think we all
7 benefit from kind of reexamining some of the assumptions
8 that we make on these cases every once in a while. And it's
9 a healthy process with the give and take -- I found it
10 really educational to work with you. And just a lot of
11 concrete contributions that you made in terms of helping to
12 get our CIO process on track, giving us a way to approach
13 the one-hundred year anniversary with the production of
14 that publication which you had - just a very good approach
15 - we were flailing, didn't quite know how to pull it
16 together, and that was just a great approach, so thanks for
17 everything you've contributed here and best wishes to you
18 and Rebecca and Evan and please keep in touch.

19 COMMISSISONER KIEFF: I just would - I recognize
20 that we're busy and so I'll just briefly say that it has
21 been an immense treat to share time with each of you, my
22 colleagues on the Commission, and the amazing staff of the
23 Commission. I have learned an immense amount from each of
24 you - I did before I arrived by reading your work, but even
25 more so, by working with you in the day to day give and

1 take. I look forward to continuing to read your work as I
2 study more in the academy. So thank you each very, very
3 much, and cheers to you for the next one-hundred years, and
4 an ongoing celebration of your success in your
5 collaboration. Thank you all very much.

6 CHAIRMAN SCHMIDTLEIN: Thank you, thank you very
7 much. Okay.

8 Next we turn to the vote in the fourth review of
9 Investigation number 731-TA-461 concerning imports of Gray
10 Portland Cement and Cement Clinker from Japan. Welcome to
11 Mr. Ruggles and the staff who participated in this
12 investigation. Are there any questions for the staff?

13 (No response.)

14 CHAIRMAN SCHMIDTLEIN: Are there any additions or
15 corrections to the staff report?

16 MR. RUGGLES: Fred Ruggles, Office of
17 Investigations, there are no corrections or additions to
18 the staff report.

19 CHAIRMAN SCHMIDTLEIN: Is there any objection
20 to approval of the staff report?

21 (No response.)

22 CHAIRMAN SCHMIDTLEIN: Hearing none, it is
23 approved. Madam Secretary, will you please call the roll?

24 MS. BELLAMY: Commissioner Broadbent?

25 COMMISSIONER BROADBENT: I vote in the

1 affirmative.

2 MS. BELLAMY: Commissioner Kieff?

3 COMMISSIONER KIEFF: I vote in the affirmative.

4 MS. BELLAMY: Commissioner Johanson?

5 COMMISSIONER JOHANSON: I vote in the

6 affirmative.

7 MS. BELLAMY: Commissioner Schmidtlein?

8 COMMISSIONER SCHMIDTLEIN: I vote in the

9 affirmative.

10 MS. BELLAMY: Commissioner Williamson?

11 COMMISSIONER WILLIAMSON: I vote in the

12 affirmative.

13 MS. BELLAMY: Madam Chairman, the Commission has
14 reached an affirmative determination in this investigation.

15 CHAIRMAN SCHMIDTLEIN: Thank you Madam
16 Secretary. Further information regarding this
17 determination will be in the press release. Views of the
18 Commission currently are scheduled to be completed and
19 filed on June 29th, 2017.

20 Thank you to all the staff who participated in
21 this investigation. We will now pause for a moment while
22 we change staff for the next vote.

23 (Pause.)

24 CHAIRMAN SCHMIDTLEIN: Next we turn to the vote
25 in the final phase of Investigation numbers 701-TA-564 and

1 731-TA-1338 and 1340, concerning imports of Steel Concrete
2 Reinforcing Bar from Japan and Turkey.

3 Welcome to Mr. Corkran and the staff who
4 participated in these investigations. Are there any
5 questions for the staff?

6 (No response.)

7 CHAIRMAN SCHMIDTLEIN: Are there any additions or
8 corrections to the staff report?

9 MR. CORKRAN: Douglas Corkran, Office of
10 Investigations, thank you Madam Chairman. Staff proposes
11 revising the staff report in accordance with memorandum
12 INV-PP-078, dated June 14th, 2017. Staff has no additional
13 revisions or corrections.

14 CHAIRMAN SCHMIDTLEIN: Is there any objection to
15 approval of the staff report as revised?

16 (No response.)

17 CHAIRMAN SCHMIDTLEIN: Hearing none, it is
18 approved. Madam Secretary, will you please call the roll?

19 MS. BELLAMY: Commissioner Williamson?

20 COMMISSIONER WILLIAMSON: I vote in the
21 affirmative.

22 MS. BELLAMY: Commissioner Johanson?

23 COMMISSIONER JOHANSON: I vote in the
24 affirmative.

25 MS. BELLAMY: Commissioner Kieff?

1 COMMISSIONER KIEFF: I vote in the affirmative.

2 MS. BELLAMY: Commissioner Broadbent?

3 COMMISSIONER BROADBENT: I vote in the
4 affirmative.

5 MS. BELLAMY: Commissioner Schmidtlein?

6 COMMISSIONER SCHMIDTLEIN: I vote in the
7 affirmative.

8 MS. BELLAMY: Madam Chairman, the Commission has
9 reached an affirmative determination in these
10 investigations.

11 CHAIRMAN SCHMIDTLEIN: Thank you Madam Secretary.
12 Further information regarding these determinations will be
13 in the press release. Views of the Commission currently
14 are scheduled to be completed and filed on June 30th, 2017.
15 Thank you to all the staff who participated in these
16 investigations.

17 Seeing that there is no other business before the
18 Commission, this meeting is adjourned.

19 (Whereupon, the meeting was adjourned at 11:07 a.m.)

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