EXPLANATION OF COMMISSION DETERMINATION ON ADEQUACY

in

Certain Corrosion-Resistant Steel Products from China, India, Italy, Korea, and Taiwan Inv. Nos. 701-TA-534-537 and 731-TA-1274-1278 (Review)

On September 7, 2021, the Commission determined to conduct full reviews in the subject five-year reviews pursuant to section 751(c)(5) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, 19 U.S.C. §1675(c)(5).

The Commission received a joint response to the notice of institution from California Steel Industries, Nucor Corporation, Steel Dynamics Inc., and United States Steel Corporation, and a separate response from Cleveland-Cliffs Inc., all five of these firms being domestic producers of certain corrosion-resistant steel products ("CORE"). The Commission found the responses of each of these five firms to be individually adequate. The Commission received data from producers accounting for a substantial proportion of domestic production and therefore determined that the domestic interested party group response was adequate.

With respect to the order on CORE from Taiwan, the Commission received two responses to the notice of institution from respondent interested parties, one from Optima Steel International, LLC, a U.S. importer of CORE from Taiwan, and the second on behalf of Prosperity Tieh Enterprise, Co., Ltd., a producer of CORE in Taiwan, and its U.S. affiliate, Prosperity Tieh USA, a U.S. importer of CORE from Taiwan. The Commission found the responses of each of these three firms to be individually adequate. The Commission found that the respondent interested party group response with respect to CORE from Taiwan was adequate because respondents accounted for a substantial share of U.S. imports of subject merchandise from Taiwan.

Because the group responses from both the domestic interested parties and the respondent interested parties were adequate, the Commission determined to conduct a full review of the order on CORE from Taiwan.

The Commission did not receive responses from any respondent interested parties concerning the orders on subject imports from China, India, Italy, and Korea, and therefore determined that the respondent interested party group responses with regard to the reviews of the orders from these four subject countries were inadequate. The Commission, however, determined to conduct full reviews of the orders on CORE from China, India, Italy, and Korea in order to promote administrative efficiency, in light of the Commission's determination to conduct a full review of the order on CORE from Taiwan.

A record of the Commissioners' votes is available from the Office of the Secretary and at the Commission's website (<u>www.usitc.gov</u>).