

EXPLANATION OF COMMISSION DETERMINATION ON ADEQUACY

in

Welded Stainless Steel Pipe from South Korea and Taiwan Inv. Nos. 731-TA-540-541 (Fifth Review)

On August 5, 2022, the Commission determined to conduct expedited reviews in the subject five-year reviews pursuant to section 751(c)(3)(B) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, 19 U.S.C. § 1675(c)(3)(B).

The Commission received a joint response to its notice of institution filed on behalf of Bristol Metals, LLC, Felker Brothers Corporation, and Primus Pipe & Tube, Inc. (collectively, “domestic producers”), domestic producers of welded stainless steel pipe (“WSSP”). The Commission found that the individual responses from the domestic producers were adequate. Because the domestic producers accounted for a substantial share of domestic production of WSSP in 2021, the Commission determined that the domestic interested party group response was adequate.

The Commission did not receive a response to the notice of institution from any respondent interested party. The Commission therefore determined that the respondent interested party group responses were inadequate.

The Commission did not find any circumstances that would warrant conducting full reviews. The Commission therefore determined to conduct expedited reviews of these orders.¹

A record of the Commissioners’ votes is available from the Office of the Secretary and the Commission’s website (www.usitc.gov).

¹ Chairman David S. Johanson determined that, in light of the time that has transpired since the Commission last conducted full reviews of these orders, conducting full reviews of the orders on WSSP from South Korea and Taiwan was warranted.