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Investigation Nos.: 731-TA-1114-1115 (Preliminary)

and

CIRCULAR WELDED CARBON-QUALITY STEEL PIPE FROM CHINA
Investigation Nos.: 701-TA-447 and 731-TA-1116 (Preliminary)

Friday, July 20, 2007

Room 101
U.S. International Trade Commission
500 E Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C.

The Commission meeting commenced, pursuant to notice, at 2:30 p.m., before the Commissioners of the United States International Trade Commission, the Honorable DANIEL R. PEARSON, Chairman, presiding.

APPEARANCES:

On behalf of the International Trade Commission:

Commissioners:

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(2:30 p.m.)

CHAIRMAN PEARSON: Good afternoon. This meeting of the U.S. International Trade Commission will now come to order.

Welcome to Vice Chairman Aranoff and Commissioners Okun and Lane, who are participating by telephone.

COMMISSIONER OKUN: Good afternoon.

COMMISSIONER LANE: Good afternoon.

VICE CHAIRMAN ARANOFF: Hello.

CHAIRMAN PEARSON: I believe this is the first time that I've come down to the hearing room and been part of an all-male delegation here at the dais.

COMMISSIONER LANE: Don't get used to it.

(Laughter.)

CHAIRMAN PEARSON: My thanks to the Vice Chairman, Commissioners Okun and Lane for giving the men some opportunity to be together on their own. I would say, though, that this is somewhat different than the type of Friday afternoon bonding with guys that we might do on a golf course.

Moving right along, is there any objection to approval of the minutes of July 10 and 17, 2007, or Ratification List 07-010?
CHAIRMAN PEARSON: Hearing none, they are approved.

Next we turn to the vote in Investigation Nos. 731-TA-1114-1115 (Preliminary) (Certain Steel Nails from China and the United Arab Emirates).

Welcome to Mr. Corkran, who you're sitting in for Mr. Deyman today?

MR. CORKRAN: Yes, sir.

CHAIRMAN PEARSON: Excellent. Welcome to Mr. Corkran and the staff who participated in these investigations.

Are there any questions for the staff?

(No response.)

CHAIRMAN PEARSON: Are there any additions or corrections to the staff report?

MR. CORKRAN: Douglas Corkran, Office of Investigations, sitting in for Mr. Deyman. Thank you, Chairman Pearson. Staff proposes that the staff report on the subject investigations be revised in accordance with Memorandum Inv. EE-082, dated July 19, 2007. Staff has no further revisions.

CHAIRMAN PEARSON: Is there any objection to approval of the staff report as revised?

(No response.)

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CHAIRMAN PEARSON: Hearing none, it is approved.

Mr. Secretary, will you please call the roll?

MR. BISHOP: Commissioner Aranoff.

VICE CHAIRMAN ARANOFF: I vote in the affirmative.

MR. BISHOP: Commissioner Williamson.

COMMISSIONER WILLIAMSON: I vote in the affirmative with respect to both countries.

MR. BISHOP: Commissioner Okun.

COMMISSIONER OKUN: I vote in the affirmative.

MR. BISHOP: Commissioner Lane.

COMMISSIONER LANE: I vote in the affirmative.

MR. BISHOP: Commissioner Pinkert.

COMMISSIONER PINKERT: I vote in the affirmative with respect to both countries.

MR. BISHOP: Commissioner Pearson.

CHAIRMAN PEARSON: I vote in the affirmative.

MR. BISHOP: Mr. Chairman, the Commission has reached affirmative determinations in these investigations.
CHAIRMAN PEARSON:  Thank you, Mr. Secretary.

Further information regarding this determination will be in the press release.
Commissioners' opinions currently are scheduled to be transmitted to the Department of Commerce on or before July 30, 2007.

Thank you to all staff who participated in these investigations.

We will now take a moment to change staff for the next vote.

(Pause.)

CHAIRMAN PEARSON:  Now we will turn to the vote in Investigation Nos. 701-TA-447 and 731-TA-1116 (Preliminary) (Circular Welded Carbon-Quality Steel Pipe from China).

Welcome to Mr. Corkran and the staff who participated in these investigations.

Are there any questions for the staff?

(No response.)

CHAIRMAN PEARSON:  Are there any additions or corrections to the staff report?

MR. CORKRAN: Douglas Corkran, Office of Investigations. Thank you, Chairman Pearson. Staff has no revisions.

CHAIRMAN PEARSON:  Is there any objection to

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approval of the staff report?

(No response.)

CHAIRMAN PEARSON: Hearing none, it is approved.

Mr. Secretary, will you please call the roll?

MR. BISHOP: Commissioner Aranoff.

VICE CHAIRMAN ARANOFF: I vote in the affirmative.

MR. BISHOP: Commissioner Pinkert is not participating.

Commissioner Lane.

COMMISSIONER LANE: I vote in the affirmative.

MR. BISHOP: Commissioner Okun.

COMMISSIONER OKUN: I vote in the affirmative.

MR. BISHOP: Commissioner Williamson.

COMMISSIONER WILLIAMSON: I vote in the affirmative.

MR. BISHOP: Commissioner Pearson.

CHAIRMAN PEARSON: I vote in the affirmative on the threat basis.

MR. BISHOP: Mr. Chairman, the Commission has reached affirmative determinations in these
investigations.

CHAIRMAN PEARSON: Thank you, Mr. Secretary. Further information regarding this determination will be in the press release. Commissioners' opinions currently are scheduled to be transmitted to the Department of Commerce on or before July 30, 2007.

Thank you to all staff who participated in these investigations.

Seeing that there is no other business before us and that we're now down to just two, this meeting is adjourned.

(Whereupon, at 2:35 p.m., the Commission meeting was concluded.)
CERTIFICATION OF TRANSCRIPTION

TITLE: (Certain Steel Nails from China and the United Arab Emirates) & (Circular Welded Carbon-Quality Steel Pipe from China)

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