

## EXPLANATION OF COMMISSION DETERMINATION ON ADEQUACY

in

*Diffusion-Annealed, Nickel-Plated Flat-Rolled Steel Products from Japan*  
Inv. No. 731-TA-1206 (Review)

On July 5, 2019, the Commission determined to conduct an expedited review in the subject five-year review 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 one response to its notice of institution from Thomas Steel Strip Corporation (“Thomas”), a domestic producer of diffusion-annealed, nickel-plated flat-rolled steel products (“nickel plate”). The Commission found that Thomas filed an individually adequate response. Because Thomas accounted for a substantial share of U.S. production of nickel plate in 2018, 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 in this review. Consequently, the Commission determined that the respondent interested party group response was inadequate.

The Commission did not find any circumstances that would warrant conducting a full review. Therefore, the Commission decided to conduct an expedited review of this order.

A record of the Commissioners' votes is available from the Office of the Secretary and at the Commission's website ([www.usitc.gov](http://www.usitc.gov)).