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FROM: { Director AD/CVD & Revenue Policy & Programs }

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TO: DIRECTORS OF FIELD OPERATIONS
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FROM: DIRECTOR, SPECIAL ENFORCEMENT

RE: DUMPING ORDER ON PIPE FITTINGS FROM CHINA (A-570-875)

1. ON 04/07/2003, THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE WILL PUBLISH IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER ITS ANTIDUMPING DUTY ORDER IN THE INVESTIGATION OF NON-MALLEABLE CAST IRON PIPE FITTINGS FROM THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA .

2. FOR PURPOSES OF THIS INVESTIGATION, THE PRODUCTS COVERED ARE FINISHED AND UNFINISHED NON-MALLEABLE CAST IRON PIPE FITTINGS WITH AN INSIDE DIAMETER RANGING FROM 1/4 INCH TO 6 INCHES, WHETHER THREADED OR UN-THREADED, REGARDLESS OF INDUSTRY OR

PROPRIETARY SPECIFICATIONS. THE SUBJECT FITTINGS INCLUDE ELBOWS, ELLS, TEES, CROSSES, AND REDUCERS AS WELL AS FLANGED FITTINGS. THESE FITTINGS ARE ALSO KNOWN AS CAST IRON PIPE FITTINGS OR GRAY IRON PIPE FITTINGS. THESE CAST IRON PIPE FITTINGS ARE NORMALLY PRODUCED TO ASTM A-126 AND ASME B.16.4 SPECIFICATIONS AND ARE THREADED TO ASME B1.20.1 SPECIFICATIONS. MOST BUILDING CODES REQUIRE THAT THESE PRODUCTS ARE UNDERWRITERS LABORATORIES (UL) CERTIFIED. THE SCOPE DOES NOT INCLUDE CAST IRON SOIL PIPE FITTINGS OR GROOVED FITTINGS OR GROOVED COUPLINGS.

FITTINGS THAT ARE MADE OUT OF DUCTILE IRON THAT HAVE THE SAME PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS AS THE GRAY OR CAST IRON FITTINGS SUBJECT TO THE SCOPE ABOVE OR WHICH HAVE THE SAME PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS AND ARE PRODUCED TO ASME B.16.3, ASME B.16.4, OR ASTM A-395 SPECIFICATIONS, THREADED TO ASME B1.20.1 SPECIFICATIONS AND UL CERTIFIED, REGARDLESS OF METALLURGICAL DIFFERENCES BETWEEN GRAY AND DUCTILE IRON, ARE ALSO INCLUDED IN THE SCOPE OF THIS PETITION. THESE DUCTILE FITTINGS DO NOT INCLUDE GROOVED FITTINGS OR GROOVED COUPLINGS. DUCTILE CAST IRON FITTINGS WITH MECHANICAL JOINT ENDS (MJ), OR PUSH ON ENDS (PO), OR FLANGED ENDS AND PRODUCED TO THE AMERICAN WATER WORKS ASSOCIATION (AWWA) SPECIFICATIONS-AWWA C110 OR AWWA C153 ARE NOT INCLUDED.

IMPORTS OF COVERED MERCHANDISE ARE CLASSIFIABLE IN THE HARMONIZED TARIFF SCHEDULE OF THE UNITED STATES (HTSUS) UNDER ITEM NUMBERS 7307.11.00.30, 7307.11.00.60, 7307.19.30.60 and 7307.19.30.85. HTSUS SUBHEADINGS ARE PROVIDED FOR CONVENIENCE AND CUSTOMS PURPOSES. THE WRITTEN DESCRIPTION OF THE SCOPE OF THIS PROCEEDING IS DISPOSITIVE.

3. FOR FURTHER REPORTING PURPOSES THIS CASE HAS BEEN ASSIGNED INVESTIGATION NUMBER A-570-875.

4. THE INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION (ITC) NOTIFIED THE COMMERCE DEPARTMENT THAT IMPORTS OF NON-MALLEABLE CAST IRON PIPE

FITTINGS FROM THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA THREATEN MATERIAL INJURY TO THE U.S. INDUSTRY. THE ITC DID NOT DETERMINE, BUT FOR THE SUSPENSION OF LIQUIDATION OF ENTRIES OF NON-MALLEABLE CAST IRON PIPE FITTINGS FROM THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA, THE DOMESTIC INDUSTRY WOULD HAVE BEEN MATERIALLY INJURED. THEREFORE, THE CUSTOMS SERVICE SHALL TERMINATE SUSPENSION AND REFUND ANY CASH DEPOSIT AND RELEASE ANY BOND OR OTHER SECURITY OF NON-MALLEABLE CAST IRON PIPE FITTINGS FROM THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA FOR SHIPMENTS, ENTERED OR WITHDRAWN FROM WAREHOUSE, FOR CONSUMPTION PRIOR TO APRIL 1, 2003, THE DATE OF PUBLICATION OF THE ITC'S FINAL DETERMINATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER. INTEREST PROVISIONS OF SECTION 778 OF THE TARIFF ACT OF 1930 DO NOT APPLY.

THE CUSTOMS SERVICE SHALL SUSPEND LIQUIDATION FOR NON-MALLEABLE CAST IRON PIPE FITTINGS FROM THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA WITH RESPECT TO SHIPMENTS ENTERED OR WITHDRAWN FROM WAREHOUSE, FOR

CONSUMPTION ON OR 04/01/2003, THE DATE OF PUBLICATION OF THE ITC'S FINAL DETERMINATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER. EFFECTIVE 04/01/2003, FOR SUCH ENTRIES THE CUSTOMS SERVICE SHALL REQUIRE A CASH DEPOSIT EQUAL TO THE MARGINS BELOW:

MANUFACTURER/PRODUCER	CUSTOMS ID NUMBER	MARGIN(%)
JINAN MEIDE CASTING CO., LTD	A-570-875-001	7.08
SHANGHAI FOREIGN TRADE ENTERPRISES CO., LTD	A-570-875-002	6.34
PRC WIDE RATE	A-570-875-000	75.50

5. IF THERE ARE ANY QUESTIONS REGARDING THIS MATTER BY CUSTOMS

OFFICERS, PLEASE CONTACT VIA E-MAIL, THROUGH THE APPROPRIATE SUPERVISORY CHANNELS, OTHER GOVERNMENT AGENCY LIAISON, USING THE ATTRIBUTE "HQ OAB." THE IMPORTING PUBLIC AND OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES SHOULD CONTACT RONALD TRENTAM OR SAM ZENGOTITABENGOA,

OFFICE OF AD/CVD ENFORCEMENT, IMPORT ADMINISTRATION,
INTERNATIONAL TRADE ADMINISTRATION, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE,
AT (202) 482-6320 OR (202) 482-4195, RESPECTIVELY.

6. THERE ARE NO RESTRICTIONS ON THE RELEASE OF THIS INFORMATION.

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*Party Indicator Value:

I = Importer, M = Manufacturer, E = Exporter, S = Sold To Party