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

RE: REVOCATION OF ANTIDUMPING DUTY ORDER IN PART ON
CERTAIN CORROSION-RESISTANT CARBON STEEL FLAT
PRODUCTS FROM JAPAN (A-588-826)

1. THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE HAS REVOKED THE ANTIDUMPING DUTY ORDER ON CERTAIN CORROSION-RESISTANT CARBON STEEL FLAT PRODUCTS FROM JAPAN IN PART WITH RESPECT TO THE CARBON STEEL FLAT PRODUCTS DESCRIBED BELOW, AND HAS PUBLISHED THE REVOCATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER ON APRIL 23, 2003. THIS WAS A RESULT OF A NOTIFICATION FROM THE PETITIONERS, BETHLEHEM STEEL CORPORATION, NATIONAL STEEL CORPORATION, AND UNITED STATES STEEL CORPORATION, THAT THEY ARE NO LONGER INTERESTED IN THE ANTI-DUMPING DUTY ORDER ON CARBON

STEEL FLAT PRODUCTS MEETING THE FOLLOWING SPECIFICATIONS:

(1) FLAT-ROLLED PRODUCTS (PROVIDED FOR IN HTSUS SUBHEADING 7210.49.00), OTHER THAN OF HIGH-STRENGTH STEEL, KNOWN AS "ASE IRON FLASH" AND EITHER: (A) HAVING A BASE LAYER OF ZINC-BASED ZINC-IRON ALLOY APPLIED BY HOT-DIPPING AND A SURFACE LAYER OF IRON-ZINC ALLOY APPLIED BY ELECTROLYTIC PROCESS, THE WEIGHT OF THE COATING AND PLATING NOT OVER 40 PERCENT BY WEIGHT OF ZINC; OR (B) TWO-LAYER-COATED CORROSION-RESISTANT STEEL WITH A COATING COMPOSED OF (A) A BASE COATING LAYER OF ZINC-BASED ZINC-IRON ALLOY BY HOT-DIP GALVANIZING PROCESS, AND (B) A SURFACE COATING LAYER OF IRON-ZINC ALLOY BY ELECTRO-GALVANIZING PROCESS, HAVING AN EFFECTIVE AMOUNT OF ZINC UP TO 40 PERCENT BY WEIGHT, AND

(2) CORROSION RESISTANT CONTINUOUSLY ANNEALED FLAT-ROLLED PRODUCTS, CONTINUOUS CAST, THE FOREGOING WITH CHEMICAL COMPOSITION (PERCENT BY WEIGHT): CARBON NOT OVER 0.06 PERCENT BY WEIGHT, MANGANESE 0.20 OR MORE BUT NOT OVER 0.40, PHOSPHORUS NOT OVER 0.02, SULFUR NOT OVER 0.023, SILICON NOT OVER 0.03, ALUMINUM 0.03 OR MORE BUT NOT OVER 0.08, ARSENIC NOT OVER 0.02, COPPER NOT OVER 0.08 AND NITROGEN 0.003 OR MORE BUT NOT OVER 0.008; AND MEETING THE CHARACTERISTICS DESCRIBED BELOW: (A) PRODUCTS WITH ONE SIDE COATED WITH A NICKEL-IRON-DIFFUSED LAYER WHICH IS LESS THAN 1 MICROMETER IN THICKNESS AND THE OTHER SIDE COATED WITH A TWO-LAYER COATING COMPOSED OF A BASE NICKEL-IRON-DIFFUSED COATING LAYER AND A SURFACE COATING LAYER OF ANNEALED AND SOFTENED PURE NICKEL, WITH TOTAL COATING THICKNESS FOR BOTH LAYERS OF MORE THAN 2 MICROMETERS; SURFACE ROUGHNESS (RA-MICRONS) 0.18 OR LESS; WITH SCANNING ELECTRON MICROSCOPE (SEM) NOT REVEALING OXIDES GREATER THAN 1 MICRON; AND INCLUSION GROUPS OR CLUSTERS SHALL NOT EXCEED 5 MICRONS IN LENGTH; (B) PRODUCTS HAVING ONE SIDE COATED WITH A NICKEL-IRON-DIFFUSED LAYER WHICH IS LESS THAN 1 MICROMETER IN THICKNESS AND THE OTHER SIDE COATED WITH A FOUR-LAYER COATING COMPOSED OF A BASE NICKEL-IRON-DIFFUSED COATING LAYER; WITH AN INNER MIDDLE COATING LAYER OF ANNEALED AND SOFTENED PURE NICKEL, AN OUTER MIDDLE SURFACE COATING LAYER OF HARD NICKEL AND A TOPMOST NICKEL-PHOSPHORUS-PLATED LAYER; WITH COMBINED COATING THICKNESS FOR THE FOUR LAYERS OF MORE THAN 2 MICROMETERS; SURFACE

ROUGHNESS (RA-MICRONS) 0.18 OR LESS; WITH SEM NOT REVEALING OXIDES GREATER THAN 1 MICRON; AND INCLUSION GROUPS OR CLUSTERS SHALL NOT EXCEED 5 MICRONS IN LENGTH; (C) PRODUCTS HAVING ONE SIDE COATED WITH A NICKEL-IRON-DIFFUSED LAYER WHICH IS LESS THAN 1 MICROMETER IN THICKNESS AND THE OTHER SIDE COATED WITH A THREE-LAYER COATING COMPOSED OF A BASE NICKEL-IRON-DIFFUSED COATING LAYER, WITH A MIDDLE COATING LAYER OF ANNEALED AND SOFTENED PURE NICKEL AND A SURFACE COATING LAYER OF HARD, LUSTER-AGENT-ADDED NICKEL WHICH IS NOT HEAT-TREATED; WITH COMBINED COATING THICKNESS FOR ALL THREE LAYERS OF MORE THAN 2 MICROMETERS; SURFACE ROUGHNESS (RA-MICRONS) 0.18 OR LESS; WITH SEM NOT REVEALING OXIDES GREATER THAN 1 MICRON; AND INCLUSION GROUPS OR CLUSTERS SHALL NOT EXCEED 5 MICRONS IN LENGTH; OR (D) PRODUCTS HAVING ONE SIDE COATED WITH A NICKEL-IRON-DIFFUSED LAYER WHICH IS LESS THAN 1 MICROMETER IN THICKNESS AND THE OTHER SIDE COATED WITH A THREE-LAYER COATING COMPOSED OF A BASE NICKEL-IRON-DIFFUSED COATING LAYER, WITH A MIDDLE COATING LAYER OF ANNEALED AND SOFTENED PURE NICKEL AND A SURFACE COATING LAYER OF HARD, PURE NICKEL WHICH IS NOT HEAT-TREATED; WITH COMBINED COATING THICKNESS FOR ALL THREE LAYERS OF MORE THAN 2 MICROMETERS; SURFACE ROUGHNESS (RA-MICRONS)

0.18 OR LESS; SEM NOT REVEALING OXIDES GREATER THAN 1 MICRON; AND INCLUSION GROUPS OR CLUSTERS SHALL NOT EXCEED 5 MICRONS IN LENGTH.

2. THEREFORE, CUSTOMS IS DIRECTED TO TERMINATE THE SUSPENSION OF LIQUIDATION FOR ALL SHIPMENTS OF THE FOREGOING CARBON STEEL FLAT PRODUCTS ENTERED, OR WITHDRAWN FROM WAREHOUSE, FOR CONSUMPTION ON OR AFTER APRIL 23, 2003.

ALL ENTRIES OF THE FOREGOING CARBON STEEL FLAT PRODUCTS THAT WERE SUSPENDED ON OR AFTER AUGUST 1, 1998 SHOULD BE LIQUIDATED WITHOUT REGARD TO ANTIDUMPING DUTIES (I.E., RELEASE ALL BONDS AND REFUND ALL CASH DEPOSITS).

3. THE ASSESSMENT OF ANTIDUMPING DUTIES BY THE CUSTOMS SERVICE ON

ENTRIES OF THIS MERCHANDISE IS SUBJECT TO THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 778 OF THE TARIFF ACT 1930. SECTION 778 REQUIRES THAT CUSTOMS PAY INTEREST ON OVERPAYMENTS AND ASSESS INTEREST ON UNDERPAYMENTS OF THE REQUIRED AMOUNTS DEPOSITED AS ESTIMATED ANTIDUMPING DUTIES. THE INTEREST PROVISIONS ARE NOT APPLICABLE TO CASH OR BONDS POSTED AS ESTIMATED ANTIDUMPING DUTIES BEFORE THE DATE OF PUBLICATION OF THE ANTIDUMPING DUTY ORDER. INTEREST SHALL BE CALCULATED FROM THE DATE OF PAYMENT OF ESTIMATED ANTIDUMPING DUTIES THROUGH THE DATE OF LIQUIDATION. THE RATE AT WHICH SUCH INTEREST IS PAYABLE IS THE RATE IN EFFECT UNDER SECTION 6621 OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1954 FOR SUCH PERIOD.

4. 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." IMPORTING PUBLIC AND INTERESTED PARTIES SHOULD CONTACT CATHERINE BERTRAND OR PETER MUELLER AT 202-482-3207 OR 202-482-5811, RESPECTIVELY, AD/CVD ENFORCEMENT, IMPORT ADMINISTRATION, INTERNATIONAL TRADE ADMINISTRATION, DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE.

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

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