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

RE: SCOPE RULING ON COUNTERVAILING DUTY ORDERS ON STAINLESS STEEL SHEET AND STRIP IN COILS FROM FRANCE, ITALY, AND SOUTH KOREA

1. ON AUGUST 15, 2005, IN RESPONSE TO A REQUEST BY HUTCHINSON TECHNOLOGY INC. (HTI), THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE ISSUED A FINAL SCOPE RULING THAT CERTAIN SUSPENSION FOIL DOES NOT MEET THE CRITERIA FOR EXCLUSION FROM THE COUNTERVAILING DUTY ORDERS, AND IS THEREFORE WITHIN THE SCOPE OF THE COUNTERVAILING DUTY ORDERS COVERING STAINLESS STEEL SHEET AND STRIP IN COILS FROM FRANCE (C-427-815), ITALY (C-475-825), AND SOUTH KOREA (C-580-835).

2. ACCORDING TO COMMERCE'S RULING, IF AN IMPORTED PRODUCT KNOWN

AS SUSPENSION FOIL DOES NOT MEET THE SPECIFICATIONS SET OUT IN THE SCOPE EXCLUSION LANGUAGE PROVIDED BELOW, THEN THE PRODUCT IS WITHIN THE SCOPE OF THE ORDERS.

"ALSO EXCLUDED IS A PRODUCT REFERRED TO AS SUSPENSION FOIL, A SPECIALTY STEEL PRODUCT USED IN THE MANUFACTURE OF SUSPENSION ASSEMBLIES FOR COMPUTER DISK DRIVES. SUSPENSION FOIL IS DESCRIBED AS 302/304 GRADE OR 202 GRADE STAINLESS STEEL OF A THICKNESS BETWEEN 14 AND 127 MICRONS, WITH A THICKNESS TOLERANCE OF PLUS-OR-MINUS 2.01 MICRONS, AND SURFACE GLOSSINESS OF 200 TO 700 PERCENT GS. SUSPENSION FOIL MUST BE SUPPLIED IN COIL WIDTHS OF NOT MORE THAN 407 MM, AND WITH A MASS OF 225 KG OR LESS. ROLL MARKS MAY ONLY BE VISIBLE ON ONE SIDE, WITH NO SCRATCHES OF MEASURABLE DEPTH. THE MATERIAL MUST EXHIBIT RESIDUAL STRESSES OF 2 MM MAXIMUM DEFLECTION, AND FLATNESS OF 1.6 MM OVER 685 MM LENGTH."

3. CONTINUE TO SUSPEND LIQUIDATION OF ENTRIES OF SUSPENSION FOIL FROM FRANCE, ITALY, AND SOUTH KOREA THAT DO NOT MEET THE ABOVE DESCRIPTION, SUBJECT TO THE COUNTERVAILING DUTY ORDERS COVERING STAINLESS STEEL SHEET AND STRIP IN COILS FROM FRANCE, ITALY, AND SOUTH KOREA.

4. IF THERE ARE ANY QUESTIONS REGARDING THIS MATTER BY CBP OFFICERS, THE IMPORTING PUBLIC OR INTERESTED PARTIES, PLEASE CONTACT DAVINA HASHMI OR RON TRENTAM AT OFFICE OF AD/CVD ENFORCEMENT, IMPORT ADMINISTRATION, INTERNATIONAL TRADE ADMINISTRATION, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, AT (202) 482-0984 OR (202) 482-3577 RESPECTIVELY (GENERATED BY O2:RT).

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

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