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TO: { Directors Of Field Operations, Port Directors }

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RE: INITIATION OF COUNTERVAILING DUTY INVESTIGATIONS OF STEEL WIRE ROD FROM GERMANY, TRINIDAD & TOBAGO, CANADA & VENEZUELA (C-428-823, C-274-803, C-122-827, C-307-814)

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TO: CMC DIRECTORS,

PORT DIRECTORS

FROM: DIRECTOR, IMPORT OPERATIONS

RE: INITIATION OF COUNTERVAILING DUTY INVESTIGATIONS OF STEEL WIRE ROD FROM GERMANY, TRINIDAD & TOBAGO, CANADA & VENEZUELA (C-428-823, C-274-803, C-122-827, C-307-814)

CORRECTION TO MESSAGE NO., 7092115, CASE # FOR GERMANY SHOULD BE C-428-823 INSTEAD OF C-428-819.

1. ON MARCH 24, 1997, THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE PUBLISHED IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER ITS INITIATIONS OF STEEL WIRE ROD FROM GERMANY, TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO, CANADA AND VENEZUELA.

2. THE PRODUCTS COVERED BY THESE INVESTIGATIONS ARE CERTAIN

HOT-ROLLED CARBON STEEL AND ALLOY STEEL PRODUCTS, IN COILS, OF APPROXIMATELY ROUND CROSS SECTION, BETWEEN 5.00 MM (0.20 INCH) AND 19.0 MM (0.75 INCH), INCLUSIVE, IN SOLID CROSS-SECTIONAL DIAMETER. SPECIFICALLY EXCLUDED ARE STEEL PRODUCTS POSSESSING THE ABOVE NOTED PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS AND MEETING THE HARMONIZED TARIFF SCHEDULE OF THE UNITED STATES (HTSUS) DEFINITIONS FOR A) STAINLESS STEEL; B) TOOL STEEL; C) HIGH NICKEL STEEL; D) BALL BEARING STEEL; E) FREE MACHINING STEEL THAT CONTAINS BY WEIGHT 0.03 PERCENT OR MORE OF LEAD, 0.05 PERCENT OR MORE OF BISMUTH, 0.08 PERCENT OR MORE OF SULFUR, MORE THAN 0.4 PERCENT OF PHOSPHORUS, MORE THAN 0.05 PERCENT OF SELENIUM, AND/OR MORE THAN 0.01 PERCENT OF TELLURIUM; OR F) CONCRETE REINFORCING BARS AND RODS.

THE FOLLOWING PRODUCTS ARE ALSO EXCLUDED FROM THE SCOPE OF THESE INVESTIGATIONS:

COILED PRODUCTS 5.50 MM OR LESS IN TRUE DIAMETER WITH AN AVERAGE PARTIAL DECARBURIZATION PER COIL OF NO MORE THAN 70 MICRONS IN DEPTH, NO INCLUSIONS GREATER THAN 20 MICRONS, CONTAINING BY WEIGHT THE FOLLOWING: CARBON GREATER THAN OR EQUAL TO 0.68 PERCENT; ALUMINUM LESS THAN OR EQUAL TO 0.005 PERCENT; PHOSPHOROUS PLUS SULFUR LESS THAN OR EQUAL TO 0.040 PERCENT; MAXIMUM COMBINED COPPER, NICKEL AND CHROMIUM CONTENT OF 0.13 PERCENT; AND NITROGEN LESS THAN OR EQUAL TO 0.006 PERCENT. THIS PRODUCT IS COMMONLY REFERRED TO AS "TIRE CORD WIRE ROD."

COILED PRODUCTS 7.9 TO 18 MM IN DIAMETER, WITH A PARTIAL DECARBURIZATION OF 75 MICRONS OR LESS IN DEPTH AND SEAMS NO MORE THAN 75 MICRONS IN DEPTH; CONTAINING 0.48 TO 0.73 PERCENT CARBON BY WEIGHT. THIS PRODUCT IS COMMONLY REFERRED TO AS "VALVE SPRING QUALITY WIRE ROD."

THE PRODUCTS UNDER INVESTIGATION ARE CURRENTLY CLASSIFIABLE UNDER SUBHEADINGS 7213.91.3000, 7213.91.4500, 7213.91.6000, 7213.99.0030, 7213.99.0090, 7227.20.0000, AND 7227.90.6050 OF THE HTSUS. ALTHOUGH THE HTSUS SUBHEADINGS ARE PROVIDED FOR

CONVENIENCE AND CUSTOMS PURPOSES, THE WRITTEN DESCRIPTION OF THE SCOPE OF THESE INVESTIGATIONS IS DISPOSITIVE.

3. FOR FURTHER REPORTING PURPOSES THESE CASES HAVE BEEN ASSIGNED INVESTIGATION NUMBERS (C-428-823), (C-274-803), (C-122-827), AND (C-307-814).

4. IF THERE ARE ANY QUESTIONS REGARDING THIS MATTER BY CUSTOMS OFFICERS, PLEASE CONTACT VIA E-MAIL, THROUGH THE APPROPRIATE SUPERVISORY CHANNELS, IMPORT OPERATIONS, ANTIDUMPING/COUNTERVAILING DUTY USING THE ATTRIBUTE "HQ OAB". THE IMPORTING PUBLIC AND OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES SHOULD CONTACT ROY MALMROSE (GERMANY), VINCE KANE (TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO), ROBERT BOLLING (CANADA) AND CHRIS CASSEL (VENEZUELA), OFFICE OF ANTIDUMPING/COUNTERVAILING DUTY ENFORCEMENT, IMPORT ADMINISTRATION, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AT (202) 482-5414, 482-2815, 482-1386 AND 482-4847, RESPECTIVELY.

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

PAUL SCHWARTZ
(ACTING)

Company Details

*Party Indicator Value:

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