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TO: { Directors Of Field Operations, Port Directors }

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

RE: NOTICE OF PRELIMINARY DETERMINATION IN COUNTERVAILING DUTY
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TO: DIRECTORS OF FIELD OPERATIONS

PORT DIRECTORS

FROM: DIRECTOR, SPECIAL ENFORCEMENT

RE: NOTICE OF PRELIMINARY DETERMINATION IN COUNTERVAILING
DUTY INVESTIGATION OF CIRCULAR WELDED CARBON QUALITY
STEEL PIPE FROM CHINA (C-570-911-000/001/002/003)

1. ON 11/13/2007, THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE WILL PUBLISH IN THE
FEDERAL REGISTER ITS PRELIMINARY AFFIRMATIVE DETERMINATION AND
ALIGNMENT OF ITS FINAL COUNTERVAILING DUTY DETERMINATION OF
CIRCULAR WELDED CARBON QUALITY STEEL PIPE FROM THE PEOPLE'S
REPUBLIC OF CHINA, FROM 01/19/2008 UNTIL NO LATER THAN
03/18/2008, THEREBY ALIGNING IT WITH THE DUE DATE FOR THE FINAL
DETERMINATION IN THE ANTIDUMPING DUTY INVESTIGATION OF CIRCULAR
WELDED CARBON QUALITY STEEL PIPE FROM THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF

CHINA.

2. THE MERCHANDISE COVERED BY THIS INVESTIGATION INCLUDES CERTAIN WELDED CARBON QUALITY STEEL PIPES AND TUBES, OF CIRCULAR CROSS-SECTION, AND WITH AN OUTSIDE DIAMETER OF 0.372 INCHES (9.45 MM) OR MORE, BUT NOT MORE THAN 16 INCHES (406.4 MM), WHETHER OR NOT STENCILED, REGARDLESS OF WALL THICKNESS, SURFACE FINISH (E.G., BLACK, GALVANIZED, OR PAINTED), END FINISH (E.G., PLAIN END, BEVELED END, GROOVED, THREADED, OR THREADED AND COUPLED), OR INDUSTRY SPECIFICATION (E.G., ASTM, PROPRIETARY, OR OTHER), GENERALLY KNOWN AS STANDARD PIPE AND STRUCTURAL PIPE (THEY MAY ALSO BE REFERRED TO AS CIRCULAR, STRUCTURAL, OR MECHANICAL TUBING).

SPECIFICALLY, THE TERM "CARBON QUALITY" INCLUDES PRODUCTS IN WHICH (A) IRON PREDOMINATES, BY WEIGHT, OVER EACH OF THE OTHER CONTAINED ELEMENTS; (B) THE CARBON CONTENT IS 2 PERCENT OR LESS, BY WEIGHT; AND (C) NONE OF THE ELEMENTS LISTED BELOW EXCEEDS THE QUANTITY, BY WEIGHT, AS INDICATED:

- (I) 1.80 PERCENT OF MANGANESE;
- (II) 2.25 PERCENT OF SILICON;
- (III) 1.00 PERCENT OF COPPER;
- (IV) 0.50 PERCENT OF ALUMINUM;
- (V) 1.25 PERCENT OF CHROMIUM;
- (VI) 0.30 PERCENT OF COBALT;
- (VII) 0.40 PERCENT OF LEAD;
- (VIII) 1.25 PERCENT OF NICKEL;
- (IX) 0.30 PERCENT OF TUNGSTEN;
- (X) 0.15 PERCENT OF MOLYBDENUM;
- (XI) 0.10 PERCENT OF NIOBIUM;
- (XII) 0.41 PERCENT OF TITANIUM;
- (XIII) 0.15 PERCENT OF VANADIUM; OR
- (XIV) 0.15 PERCENT OF ZIRCONIUM.

STANDARD PIPE IS MADE PRIMARILY TO AMERICAN SOCIETY FOR TESTING AND MATERIALS ("ASTM") SPECIFICATIONS, BUT CAN BE MADE TO OTHER SPECIFICATIONS. STANDARD PIPE IS MADE PRIMARILY TO

ASTM SPECIFICATIONS A-53, A-135, AND A-795. STRUCTURAL PIPE IS MADE PRIMARILY TO ASTM SPECIFICATIONS A-252 AND A-500. STANDARD AND STRUCTURAL PIPE MAY ALSO BE PRODUCED TO PROPRIETARY SPECIFICATIONS RATHER THAN TO INDUSTRY SPECIFICATIONS. THIS IS OFTEN THE CASE, FOR EXAMPLE, WITH FENCE TUBING. PIPE MULTIPLE-STENCILED TO A STANDARD AND/OR STRUCTURAL SPECIFICATION AND TO ANY OTHER SPECIFICATION, SUCH AS THE AMERICAN PETROLEUM INSTITUTE ("API") API-5L OR 5L X-42 SPECIFICATIONS, IS ALSO COVERED BY THE SCOPE OF THIS INVESTIGATION WHEN IT MEETS THE PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION SET FORTH ABOVE AND ALSO SATISFIES ONE OR MORE OF THE FOLLOWING CHARACTERISTICS: IS A SINGLE RANDOM LENGTH; LESS THAN 2.0 INCHES (50 MM) IN OUTSIDE DIAMETER; HAS A GALVANIZED AND/OR PAINTED SURFACE FINISH; OR HAS A THREADED AND/OR COUPLED END FINISH.

THE SCOPE OF THIS INVESTIGATION DOES NOT INCLUDE: (A) PIPE SUITABLE FOR USE IN BOILERS, SUPERHEATERS, HEAT EXCHANGERS, CONDENSERS, REFINING FURNACES AND FEEDWATER HEATERS, WHETHER OR NOT COLD DRAWN; (B) MECHANICAL TUBING, WHETHER OR NOT COLD-DRAWN; (C) FINISHED ELECTRICAL CONDUIT; (D) FINISHED SCAFFOLDING; (E) TUBE AND PIPE HOLLOWS FOR REDRAWING; (F) OIL COUNTRY TUBULAR GOODS PRODUCED TO API SPECIFICATIONS; AND (G) LINE PIPE PRODUCED TO ONLY API SPECIFICATIONS.

THE PIPE PRODUCTS THAT ARE THE SUBJECT OF THIS INVESTIGATION ARE CURRENTLY CLASSIFIABLE IN HTSUS STATISTICAL REPORTING NUMBERS 7306.30.10.00, 7306.30.50.25, 7306.30.50.32, 7306.30.50.40, 7306.30.50.55, 7306.30.50.85, 7306.30.50.90, 7306.50.10.00, 7306.50.50.50, 7306.50.50.70, 7306.19.10.10, 7306.19.10.50, 7306.19.51.10, AND 7306.19.51.50. HOWEVER, THE PRODUCT DESCRIPTION, AND NOT THE HTSUS CLASSIFICATION, IS DISPOSITIVE OF WHETHER MERCHANDISE IMPORTED INTO THE UNITED STATES FALLS WITHIN THE SCOPE OF THE INVESTIGATION.

3. FOR FURTHER REPORTING PURPOSES THIS CASE HAS BEEN ASSIGNED INVESTIGATION NUMBER: C-570-911.

4. FOR IMPORTS OF CIRCULAR WELDED CARBON QUALITY STEEL PIPE FROM THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA, EXCEPT FOR CIRCULAR WELDED CARBON STEEL PIPE FROM THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA MANUFACTURED/EXPORTED BY WEIFANG EAST STEEL PIPE CO., LTD. (C-570-911-002) WHICH HAD A ZERO MARGIN, THE BUREAU OF CUSTOMS AND BORDER PROTECTION SHALL SUSPEND LIQUIDATIONS OF SUCH SHIPMENTS ENTERED OR WITHDRAWN FROM WAREHOUSE, FOR CONSUMPTION ON OR AFTER

08/15/2007. BECAUSE COMMERCE HAS DETERMINED THAT CRITICAL CIRCUMSTANCES EXIST FOR IMPORTS OF CIRCULAR WELDED CARBON QUALITY STEEL PIPE FROM THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA, THIS DATE IS 90 DAYS PRIOR TO THE DATE OF PUBLICATION OF THE PRELIMINARY DETERMINATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER. EFFECTIVE 08/15/2007 CUSTOMS SHALL REQUIRE, FOR SUCH ENTRIES, A CASH DEPOSIT OR THE POSTING OF A BOND EQUAL TO THE SUBSIDY RATES SHOWN BELOW:

MFR/PRODUCER EXPORTER	CUSTOMS ID NUMBER	AD VALOREM SUBSIDY RATE
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TIANJIN SHUANGJIE STEEL PIPE CO., LTD., TIANJIN SHUANGJIE STEEL PIPE GROUP CO., LTD., TIANJIN WA SONG IMP. & EXP. CO., LTD., AND TIANJIN SHUANGLIAN GALVANIZING PRODUCTS CO., LTD.	C-570-911-001	264.98
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ZHEJIANG KINGLAND PIPELINE AND TECHNOLOGIES CO., LTD., KINGLAND GROUP CO., LTD, BEIJING KINGLAND CENTURY TECHNOLOGIES CO., ZHEJIANG KINGLAND PIPELINE INDUSTRY CO., LTD., AND SHANXI KINGLAND PIPELINE CO., LTD.	C-570-911-003	16.59
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5. IN ACCORDANCE WITH T.D. 85-145, AT THE DISCRETION OF CBP, CUSTOMS OFFICERS MAY ACCEPT EITHER A SINGLE-ENTRY BASIC IMPORTATION AND ENTRY BOND OR A CONTINUOUS BASIC IMPORTATION AND ENTRY BOND ONLY IF THE AMOUNT OF THE ESTIMATED ANTIDUMPING OR COUNTERVAILING DUTY IS LESS THAN FIVE PERCENT AD VALOREM (OR THE EQUIVALENT). OTHERWISE, WHERE THE IMPORTER HAS THE OPTION TO POST A BOND FOR ESTIMATED ANTIDUMPING OR COUNTERVAILING DUTIES, CUSTOMS OFFICERS MUST REQUIRE A SINGLE-ENTRY BASIC IMPORTATION

AND ENTRY BOND PURSUANT TO T.D. 85-145. YOU ARE INSTRUCTED TO ADHERE TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF T.D. 85-145 WITH RESPECT TO THESE BONDING REQUIREMENTS.

6. 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 OPERATIONS, IMPORT ADMINISTRATION, INTERNATIONAL TRADE ADMINISTRATION, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, AT (202) 482-0984 OR (202) 482-3577 RESPECTIVELY (GENERATED BY O1:SMB).

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

ANNE MARICICH

Company Details

*Party Indicator Value:

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