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TO: { Directors Of Field Operations, Port Directors }

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

RE: PRELIMINARY DETERMINATION IN THE ANTIDUMPING INVESTIGATION OF
CIRCULAR WELDED CARBON-QUALITY STEEL PIPE FROM CHINA (A-570-870)

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TO: DIRECTORS OF FIELD OPERATIONS
PORT DIRECTORS

FROM: DIRECTOR, TRADE ENFORCEMENT & CONTROL

RE: PRELIMINARY DETERMINATION IN THE ANTIDUMPING INVESTIGATION
OF CIRCULAR WELDED CARBON-QUALITY STEEL PIPE FROM CHINA
(A-570-870)

1. ON DECEMBER 31, 2001, THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE WILL PUBLISH IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER ITS PRELIMINARY DETERMINATION OF SALES AT LESS THAN FAIR VALUE IN THE ANTIDUMPING DUTY INVESTIGATION OF CERTAIN CIRCULAR WELDED CARBON-QUALITY STEEL PIPE FROM THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA.

2. FOR PURPOSES OF THIS INVESTIGATION, THE PRODUCTS COVERED BY

THIS INVESTIGATION ARE CERTAIN WELDED CARBON-QUALITY STEEL PIPES AND TUBES, OF CIRCULAR CROSS-SECTION, WITH AN OUTSIDE DIAMETER OF 0.372 INCHES (9.45 MM) OR MORE, BUT NOT MORE THAN 16 INCHES (406.4 MM), REGARDLESS OF WALL THICKNESS, SURFACE FINISH (BLACK, GALVANIZED, OR PAINTED), END FINISH (PLAIN END, BEVELED END, GROOVED, THREADED, OR THREADED AND COUPLED), OR INDUSTRY SPECIFICATION (ASTM, PROPRIETARY, OR OTHER), GENERALLY KNOWN AS STANDARD PIPE AND STRUCTURAL PIPE.

STANDARD PIPES AND TUBES ARE INTENDED FOR THE LOW-PRESSURE CONVEYANCE OF WATER, STEAM, NATURAL GAS, AIR, AND OTHER LIQUIDS AND GASES IN PLUMBING AND HEATING SYSTEMS, AIR CONDITIONING UNITS, AUTOMATIC SPRINKLER SYSTEMS, AND OTHER RELATED USES. STANDARD PIPE MAY CARRY LIQUIDS AT ELEVATED TEMPERATURES BUT MAY NOT BE SUBJECT TO THE APPLICATION OF EXTERNAL HEAT. IT MAY ALSO BE USED FOR LIGHT LOAD-BEARING AND MECHANICAL APPLICATIONS, SUCH AS FOR FENCE TUBING, AND FOR PROTECTION OF ELECTRICAL WIRING, SUCH AS CONDUIT SHELLS, AND FOR STRUCTURAL APPLICATIONS IN GENERAL CONSTRUCTION. IT PRIMARILY IS MADE TO AMERICAN SOCIETY FOR TESTING AND MATERIALS (ASTM) A-53, A-135, AND A-795 SPECIFICATIONS, BUT CAN ALSO BE MADE TO THE BRITISH STANDARD (BS)- 1387 SPECIFICATION.

STRUCTURAL PIPE IS INTENDED FOR USE IN THE CONSTRUCTION OF BRIDGES AND BUILDINGS, AND GENERAL STRUCTURAL APPLICATIONS. IT ALSO CAN BE USED FOR MAKING STEEL SCAFFOLDING AND FOR PILING APPLICATIONS. IT PRIMARILY IS MADE TO ASTM A-500 AND A-252 SPECIFICATIONS.

HENCE, SPECIFICALLY INCLUDED WITHIN THE SCOPE OF THESE PETITIONS ARE PRODUCTS STENCILED TO THE ASTM STANDARDS A-53, A-135, A-795, A-120, A-500, A-252, OR THEIR EQUIVALENTS. STANDARD AND STRUCTURAL PIPE PRODUCTS MAY ALSO BE PRODUCED TO PROPRIETARY SPECIFICATIONS RATHER THAN TO INDUSTRY STANDARD. THIS IS OFTEN THE CASE WITH FENCE TUBING, FOR EXAMPLE.

THE SCOPE DOES NOT INCLUDE BOILER TUBES, PRESSURE TUBING,

MECHANICAL TUBING, FINISHED CONDUIT, OIL COUNTRY TUBULAR GOODS (OCTG), AND LINE PIPE. HOWEVER, WITH REGARD TO THESE EXCLUDED PRODUCTS, IF PETITIONERS OR OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES PROVIDE TO THE DEPARTMENT REASONABLE GROUNDS TO BELIEVE OR SUSPECT THAT THE PRODUCTS ARE BEING USED IN A STANDARD OR STRUCTURAL APPLICATION, THE DEPARTMENT MAY INSTRUCT THE U.S. CUSTOMS SERVICE TO REQUIRE END-USE CERTIFICATIONS. IN ADDITION, LINE PIPE MEETING THE AMERICAN PETROLEUM INSTITUTE (API) LINE PIPE IS EXCLUDED FROM THE SCOPE OF SCOPE OF THESE INVESTIGATIONS, AND ANY RESULTANT ANTIDUMPING DUTY ORDER IF COVERED BY THE SCOPE OF ANOTHER ANTIDUMPING DUTY ORDER FROM THE SAME COUNTRY.

THE STANDARD PIPE PRODUCTS THAT ARE THE SUBJECT OF THESE INVESTIGATIONS ARE CURRENTLY CLASSIFIABLE IN THE HARMONIZED TARIFF SCHEDULE OF THE UNITED STATES (HTSUS) SUBHEADINGS 7306.30.10 AND 7306.30.50. THIS PETITION ALSO COVERS DUAL-CERTIFIED A-53/API OR SINGLE CERTIFIED PIPE THAT ENTERS THE UNITED STATES IF ITS IS USED IN, OR INTENDED FOR USE IN, STANDARD PIPE OR STRUCTURAL PIPE APPLICATIONS. SUCH CERTIFIED PIPE MAY INCLUDE API-5L OR API-5L X-42 PIPE. ALTHOUGH THE HTSUS SUBHEADINGS ARE PROVIDED FOR CONVENIENCE AND U.S. CUSTOMS PURPOSES, THE WRITTEN DESCRIPTION OF THE MERCHANDISE UNDER INVESTIGATION IS DISPOSITIVE.

3. FOR FURTHER REPORTING PURPOSES THIS CASE HAS BEEN ASSIGNED INVESTIGATION NUMBER A-570-870.

4. FOR IMPORTS OF CERTAIN CIRCULAR WELDED CARBON-QUALITY STEEL PIPE PRODUCTS FROM THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA, THE CUSTOMS SERVICE SHALL SUSPEND LIQUIDATION OF SUCH SHIPMENTS ENTERED, OR WITHDRAWN FROM WAREHOUSE, FOR CONSUMPTION ON OR AFTER DECEMBER 31, 2001. EFFECTIVE DECEMBER 31, 2001, CUSTOMS SHALL REQUIRE, FOR SUCH ENTRIES, A CASH DEPOSIT OR THE POSTING OF A BOND EQUAL TO THE MARGINS SHOWN BELOW:

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Baosteel Group International("Baosteel International")		
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Tianjin Shuang Jie Steel Pipe Co.("Tianjin Shuang Jie")		
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	002	16.65
WeiFang East Steel Pipe Co., Ltd. ("WeiFang")	A-570-870-003	0.00
Tai Feng Qiao Metal Products Co., ("Tai Feng Qiao")	A-570-870-004	
		16.65
China MinMetals ZhuHai Co. ("ZhuHai")	A-570-870-005	16.65
Pangang Group International ("Pangang International")	A-570-870-	
	006	16.65
Zhejiang Kingland Group, Inc. ("Jinzhou")	A-570-870-007	16.65
Walsall Steel Pipe Industrial Co., Ltd ("Walsall")	A-570-870-008	
		16.65

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 JAMES DOYLE, OFFICE OF AD/CVD ENFORCEMENT, IMPORT ADMINISTRATION, INTERNATIONAL TRADE ADMINISTRATION, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, AT (202) 482-0159.

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

PAUL SCHWARTZ

Company Details

*Party Indicator Value:

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