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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 SILICOMANGANESE FROM KAZAKHSTAN (A-463-807)

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TO: DIRECTORS OF FIELD OPERATIONS  
PORT DIRECTORS

FROM: DIRECTOR, TRADE ENFORCEMENT & CONTROL

RE: PRELIMINARY DETERMINATION IN THE ANTIDUMPING INVESTIGATION OF SILICOMANGANESE FROM KAZAKHSTAN (A-463-807)

1. ON NOVEMBER 9, 2001, THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE PUBLISHED IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER ITS PRELIMINARY DETERMINATION OF SALES AT LESS THAN FAIR VALUE IN THE ANTIDUMPING DUTY INVESTIGATION OF SILICOMANGANESE FROM KAZAKHSTAN.

2. FOR PURPOSES OF THIS INVESTIGATION, THE PRODUCTS COVERED ARE ALL FORMS, SIZES AND COMPOSITIONS OF SILICOMANGANESE, EXCEPT LOW-CARBON SILICOMANGANESE, INCLUDING SILICOMANGANESE BRIQUETTES, FINES AND SLAG. SILICOMANGANESE IS A FERROALLOY COMPOSED

PRINCIPALLY OF MANGANESE, SILICON AND IRON, AND NORMALLY CONTAINS MUCH SMALLER PROPORTIONS OF MINOR ELEMENTS, SUCH AS CARBON, PHOSPHOROUS AND SULFUR. SILICOMANGANESE IS SOMETIMES REFERRED TO AS FERROSILICON MANGANESE. SILICOMANGANESE IS USED PRIMARILY IN STEEL PRODUCTION AS A SOURCE OF BOTH SILICON AND MANGANESE. SILICOMANGANESE GENERALLY CONTAINS BY WEIGHT NOT LESS THAN 4 PERCENT IRON, MORE THAN 30 PERCENT MANGANESE, MORE THAN 8 PERCENT SILICON AND NOT MORE THAN 3 PERCENT PHOSPHOROUS. SILICOMANGANESE IS PROPERLY CLASSIFIABLE UNDER SUBHEADING 7202.30.0000 OF THE HARMONIZED TARIFF SCHEDULE OF THE UNITED STATES (HTSUS). SOME SILICOMANGANESE MAY ALSO BE CLASSIFIED UNDER HTSUS SUBHEADING 7202.99.5040. THIS SCOPE COVERS ALL SILICOMANGANESE, REGARDLESS OF ITS TARIFF CLASSIFICATION. ALTHOUGH THE HTSUS SUBHEADINGS ARE PROVIDED FOR CONVENIENCE AND U.S. CUSTOMS PURPOSES, OUR WRITTEN DESCRIPTION OF THE SCOPE REMAINS DISPOSITIVE.

THE LOW-CARBON SILICOMANGANESE EXCLUDED FROM THIS SCOPE IS A FERROALLOY WITH THE FOLLOWING CHEMICAL SPECIFICATIONS: MINIMUM 55 PERCENT MANGANESE, MINIMUM 27 PERCENT SILICON, MINIMUM 4 PERCENT IRON, MAXIMUM 0.10 PERCENT PHOSPHORUS, MAXIMUM 0.10 PERCENT CARBON AND MAXIMUM 0.05 PERCENT SULFUR. LOW-CARBON SILICOMANGANESE IS USED IN THE MANUFACTURE OF STAINLESS STEEL AND SPECIAL CARBON STEEL GRADES, SUCH AS MOTOR LAMINATION GRADE STEEL, REQUIRING A VERY LOW CARBON CONTENT. IT IS SOMETIMES REFERRED TO AS FERROMANGANESE-SILICON. LOW-CARBON SILICOMANGANESE IS CLASSIFIABLE UNDER HTSUS SUBHEADING 7202.30.0000.

3. FOR FURTHER REPORTING PURPOSES THIS CASE HAS BEEN ASSIGNED INVESTIGATION NUMBER A-834-807. FOR CUSTOMS PURPOSES ONLY THE FOLLOWING IDENTIFICATION NUMBER SHOULD BE USED: A-463-807.

4. FOR IMPORTS OF SILICOMANGANESE FROM KAZAKHSTAN, THE CUSTOMS SERVICE SHALL SUSPEND LIQUIDATIONS OF SUCH SHIPMENTS ENTERED OR WITHDRAWN FROM WAREHOUSE, FOR CONSUMPTION ON OR AFTER NOVEMBER 9, 2001. EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 9, 2001 CUSTOMS SHALL REQUIRE, FOR SUCH ENTRIES, A CASH DEPOSIT OR THE POSTING OF A BOND EQUAL TO THE MARGINS SHOWN BELOW:

MFR/PRODUCER  
EXPORTER

CUSTOMS IDMARGIN  
NUMBER PERCENTAGE

ALLOY 2000, S.A.      A-463-807-001      180.86 PERCENT

KAZAKHSTAN-WIDE RATE      A-463-807-000      180.86 PERCENT

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 CHERYL WERNER, OFFICE OF AD/CVD ENFORCEMENT, IMPORT ADMINISTRATION, INTERNATIONAL TRADE ADMINISTRATION, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, AT (202) 482-2667.

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

PAUL SCHWARTZ

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\*Party Indicator Value:

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