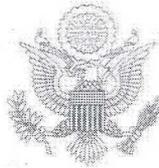


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The Hon. Meredith Broadbent
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RE: Cut-to-Length Carbon Steel Plate from China, Russia and Ukraine
Investigation Nos. 731-TA-753, 754 and 756 (Third Review)

Dear Chairman Broadbent,

I write with regard to the Cut-to-Length Carbon Steel Plate review on imports from China, Russia and Ukraine. I am unable to appear in person at the hearing which will be held on September 29, 2015 at the Commission and ask that this letter be included into the record.

As a strong supporter of the U.S. steel industry and its workers, I am very familiar with the challenges the industry continues to face from unfairly traded imports. At a time when the industry should be contributing to the nation's economic recovery many producers are suffering from the effect of these imports – further weakening their ability to compete and leading to increasing losses which ripple through the workforce and communities they call home.

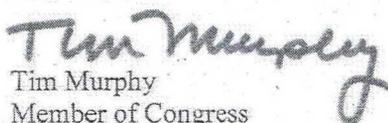
Steel plate is a critical component to the nation's manufacturing sector. These products are used in construction, agriculture and are relied on for the development of the nation's infrastructure. The U.S. companies who will appear at the Commission in support of the continuation of these AD orders will ask that the existing AD orders remain in place. They will explain that all of the subject countries have ample capacity to serve markets across the globe. Further, they will explain that if these orders are removed that the domestic industry would be injured as a result of these imports.

As a leader of the Congressional Steel Caucus I have worked hard to ensure that the domestic industry has a level playing field in which to compete. In my Pennsylvania district, I have witnessed firsthand the injurious impact that unfairly traded imports have had on companies and workers and their families. In previous testimony at the Commission I have reiterated the importance of the steel sector to our nation and why this sector bar none serves an integral role in our country's national security.

I firmly believe that the domestic steel industry can continue to compete as long as trade is conducted in a fair manner. Therefore, I would ask that the Commission give serious consideration to the views of the domestic industry and its workers in this proceeding.

Thank you for this opportunity to provide comments on this important matter.

Sincerely,


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