## UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION Washington, D.C.

In the Matter of

Investigation No. 337-TA-1002

## CERTAIN CARBON AND ALLOY STEEL PRODUCTS

## NOTICE OF COMMISSION DECISION NOT TO REVIEW AN INITIAL DETERMINATION EXTENDING THE TARGET DATE FOR COMPLETION OF THE INVESTIGATION

AGENCY: U.S. International Trade Commission.

ACTION: Notice.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that the U.S. International Trade Commission has determined not to review the presiding administrative law judge's ("ALJ") initial determination ("ID") (Order No. 58), extending the target date for completion of the above-captioned investigation to April 18, 2018.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Megan M Valentine, Office of the General Counsel, U.S. International Trade Commission, 500 E Street, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20436, telephone (202) 708-2301. Copies of non-confidential documents filed in connection with this investigation are or will be available for inspection during official business hours (8:45 a.m. to 5:15 p.m.) in the Office of the Secretary, U.S. International Trade Commission, 500 E Street, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20436, telephone (202) 205-2000. General information concerning the Commission may also be obtained by accessing its Internet server at <u>https://www.usitc.gov</u>. The public record for this investigation may be viewed on the Commission's electronic docket (EDIS) at <u>https://edis.usitc.gov</u>. Hearing-impaired persons are advised that information on this matter can be obtained by contacting the Commission TDD terminal on (202) 205-1810.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Commission instituted this investigation on June 2, 2016, based on a complaint filed by United States Steel Corporation of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania ("U.S. Steel"), alleging a violation of section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, 19 U.S.C. § 1337. 81 *Fed. Reg.* 35381-82 (June 2, 2016). The notice of investigation named numerous respondents. The Office of Unfair Import Investigations was also named as a party. The complaint alleged a violation of section 337 based upon the importation into the United States, or in the sale of certain carbon and alloy steel products by reason of: (1) a conspiracy to fix prices and control output and export volumes, the threat or effect of which is to restrain or monopolize trade and commerce in the United States; (2) misappropriation and use of trade secrets, the threat or effect of which is to destroy or substantially injure an industry in the United States; or (3) false

designation of origin or manufacturer, the threat or effect of which is to destroy or substantially injure an industry in the United States. The Commission later found several of the distributor respondents to be in default. Notice (Oct. 14, 2016); Notice (Oct. 18, 2016); Notice (Nov. 18, 2016).

On February 27, 2017, the Commission reversed the ALJ's termination of U.S. Steel's false designation of origin ("FDO") claim and remanded that issue to the ALJ. On March 7, 2017, the ALJ issued Order No. 57, instructing the parties to file submissions no later than March 13, 2017, regarding a procedural schedule governing the FDO claim. The parties complied with the order, suggesting three options for hearing dates in September and October.

On March 15, 2017, the ALJ issued the subject ID, extending the target date by approximately six weeks to April 18, 2018, in order to accommodate a hearing date of September 25-29, 2017. The ID notes that the final ID shall be due on December 18, 2017.

No petitions for review were filed. The Commission has determined not to review the subject ID.

The authority for the Commission's determination is contained in section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (19 U.S.C. § 1337), and in Part 210 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (19 C.F.R. Part 210).

By order of the Commission.

Lisa R. Barton Secretary to the Commission

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