Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

April 11, 2012

The Honorable Chairman Deanna Tanner Okun
U.S. International Trade Commission
500 E Street, Southwest
Washington, DC 20436

Re: Tin and Chromium Coated Steel Sheet from Japan, Inv. No. 731-TA-860 (Second Review)

Dear Chairman Okun:

We write today to express our strong support for the domestic tin mill industry in the Commission's ongoing review of an anti-dumping order on tin mill products from Japan, and we ask that the Commission make an affirmative determination.

Tin mill products are made across the country, and the impacts of unfair trade are felt across the entire steel industry. From 1997 to 1999, unfairly traded U.S. imports of Japanese tin mill products increased from 182,157 net tons to 329,645 net tons, and we have no doubt that if the anti-dumping order is revoked, Japanese imports will again surge upward.

The U.S. Department of Commerce has already found that if the order is revoked, Japanese producers are likely to resume dumping at margins ranging from 32.5 percent to 95.3 percent. While the current order has been effective in limiting unfair trade, we would point out that Japan exported over 915,000 net tons of tin mill products last year and still has strong incentives to dump their products on our shores.

At a time when the American manufacturing base is struggling to recover, we must be vigilant in ensuring that we uphold our trade laws. Therefore, we ask that the Commission make an affirmative determination in this review and maintain the antidumping order on Japanese imports of tin mill products.

Sincerely,

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