

Congress of the United States
Washington, DC 20515

May 14, 2012

The Honorable Deanna Tanner Okun
Chairman
U.S. International Trade Commission
500 E Street, SW
Washington, D.C. 20436

Re: Circular Welded Pipe and Tube from Brazil, India, Korea, Mexico, Taiwan, Thailand, and Turkey: Inv. 701-TA-253 and 731-TA-132, 252, 271, 273, 532-534 and 536 (Third Review)

Dear Chairman Okun:

We write to urge you to maintain the existing antidumping (AD) and countervailing duty (CVD) orders against unfairly traded imports of certain circular welded steel pipe and tube from Brazil, India, Korea, Mexico, Taiwan, Thailand, and Turkey. Maintaining these orders is critical to the future of the U.S. pipe and tube industry, the workers, and communities across the country. We ask the Commission convene to include this letter for the May 3, 2012 hearing record.

The steel pipe and tube industry is a vital component in our country's manufacturing sector. Today, this modern and innovative sector of the steel industry is making quality products for customers located throughout the country and world. The industry makes an array of products which are made to supply the construction, infrastructure and energy industry. Circular welded pipe is widely used in plumbing, construction and life safety product applications. The industry has faced many challenges over the past decade as a result of a depressed domestic economy and increased pipe manufacturing capacity in foreign countries.

The outcome of this sunset case is imperative to the future of the industry because these producers remain vulnerable to unfairly traded imports. The industry explained during the May 3rd hearing that their future is imperiled if these orders are sunset by the Commission.

In the previous reviews, the Commission has found that the removal of these orders would threaten or harm the industry. Given the uncertain economic conditions, coupled with increasing foreign capacity, it is imperative that these orders remain in place. Doing so ensures that these companies and their 1,500 employees are given every opportunity to compete now and grow in the future.

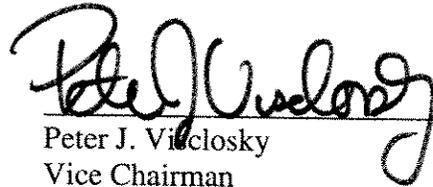
On behalf of the domestic steel pipe and tube industry, its workers, and the communities in which they live, we strongly urge you to maintain the existing orders against unfairly traded imports of welded pipe.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this matter.

Respectfully submitted,



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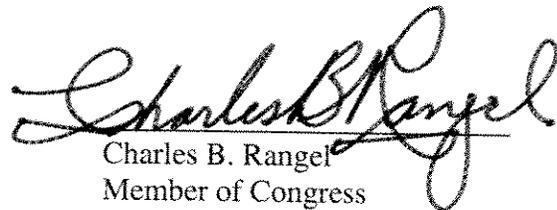
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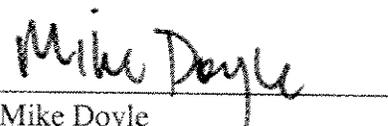
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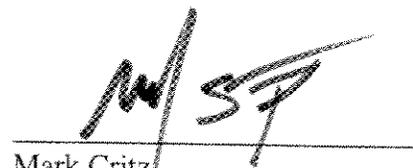
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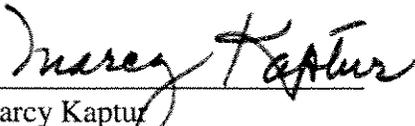
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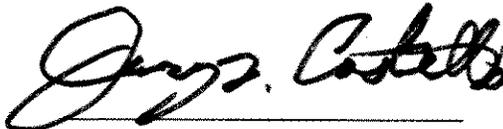
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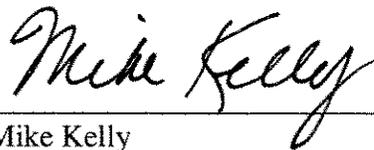
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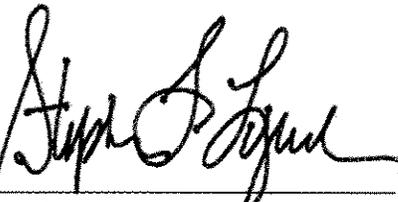
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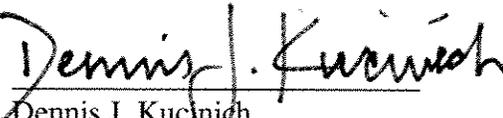
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