

## EXPLANATION OF COMMISSION DETERMINATION ON ADEQUACY

in

*Clad Steel Plate from Japan*  
Inv. No. 731-TA-739 (Third Review)

On May 7, 2012, the Commission unanimously determined that it should proceed to a full review in the subject five-year review pursuant to section 751(c)(3)(B) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, 19 U.S.C. §1675(c)(3)(B).

The Commission unanimously determined that the domestic interested party group response to the notice of institution was adequate. The Commission received an adequate response filed jointly on behalf of two domestic producers of clad plate: ArcelorMittal USA, LLC and Dynamic Materials Corporation. Because the Commission received an adequate response from domestic producers accounting for substantially all U.S. production of clad steel plate, the Commission determined that the domestic interested party group response was adequate.

The Commission also unanimously determined that the respondent interested party group responses were adequate and determined to conduct a full review. Japanese clad steel plate producers Nippon Steel & Sumikin Stainless Steel Corporation, JFE Steel Corporation and JSW Steel Works, Ltd. all filed adequate responses to the Commission's notice of institution. These producers account for the vast majority of the production of clad steel plate in Japan.

A record of the Commissioners' votes is available from the Office of the Secretary and at the Commission's web site ([www.usitc.gov](http://www.usitc.gov)).