

EXPLANATION OF COMMISSION DETERMINATION ON ADEQUACY

in

Iron Construction Castings from Brazil, Canada, and China

Inv. Nos. 701-TA-249 and 731-TA-262, 263, and 265 (Fourth Review)

On January 4, 2016, the Commission unanimously determined to conduct full reviews in the subject five-year reviews pursuant to section 751(c) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, 19 U.S.C. § 1675(c).

The Commission received a joint response to the notice of institution from four U.S. producers of iron construction castings: D&L Foundry Inc., EJ USA, Inc., Neenah Foundry Company, and U.S. Foundry & Manufacturing Co. The Commission found the response of each of these firms to be individually adequate. Because these firms accounted for a substantial share of U.S. production of iron construction castings, the Commission determined that the domestic interested party group response was adequate.

With respect to the orders on subject imports from Brazil, the Commission received a joint response from Saint-Gobain Canalizacao Ltda., a producer/exporter of subject merchandise from Brazil, and Jim Cox Sales, Inc. and Famcon Pipe & Supply, Inc., U.S. importers of subject merchandise from Brazil. The Commission found the response of each of these firms to be individually adequate. Because these firms produced, exported, or imported substantial quantities of the subject merchandise from Brazil, the Commission determined that the respondent interested party group response was adequate. The Commission determined to conduct full reviews of the orders on iron construction castings from Brazil because the group responses from domestic interested parties and respondent interested parties were adequate.

The Commission did not receive a response from any respondent interested parties concerning the orders on subject imports from Canada and China and therefore determined that the respondent interested party group response with regard to the reviews of iron construction castings from each of those countries was inadequate. The Commission determined to conduct full reviews of the orders on iron construction castings from Canada and China notwithstanding inadequate respondent interested party group responses in order to promote administrative efficiency in light of the Commission's determination to conduct full reviews of the orders on iron construction castings from Brazil.

A record of the Commissioners' votes is available from the Office of the Secretary and on the Commission's website (<http://www.usitc.gov>).