

## EXPLANATION OF COMMISSION DETERMINATIONS ON ADEQUACY

in

*Carbon and Alloy Seamless Standard, Line, and Pressure Pipe from Japan and Romania*  
Inv. Nos. 731-TA-847 and 849 (Third Review)

On December 5, 2016, the Commission determined to conduct full five-year reviews in the above-referenced proceedings pursuant to section 751(c)(5) of the Tariff Act of 1930 (19 U.S.C. § 1675(c)(5)).

The Commission received a joint response to the notice instituting these reviews filed on behalf of Vallourec Star, LP and United States Steel Corporation (“U.S. Steel”), domestic producers of carbon and alloy seamless standard, line, and pressure pipe (“CASSLP pipe”). The Commission found that the individual responses submitted by Vallourec Star and U.S. Steel were adequate. Because these producers accounted for a substantial majority of domestic production of CASSLP pipe in 2015, the Commission determined that the domestic interested party group response was adequate.

The Commission also received a joint response to the notice instituting these reviews filed by S.C. Silcotub S.A., a Romanian producer of CASSLP pipe, and Tenaris Global Services (U.S.A.) Corporation, an affiliated U.S. importer of subject merchandise from Romania. The Commission also received an individual response from TMK-Artrom S.A., a Romanian producer of CASSLP pipe. The Commission found that each of these responses was individually adequate. Because the responding parties collectively account for a majority of production of subject merchandise from Romania in 2015, the Commission determined that the respondent interested party group response for the review of CASSLP pipe from Romania was adequate. Thus, the Commission determined to conduct a full review of the order on CASSLP pipe from Romania.

The Commission did not receive a response to the notice of institution from any respondent interested party with respect to the antidumping duty order on CASSLP pipe from Japan. The Commission therefore determined that the respondent interested party group response was inadequate with respect to that review. The Commission determined, however, to conduct a full review of that order in order to promote administrative efficiency in light of its determination to conduct a full review of the order on CASSLP pipe from Romania.

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