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May 5, 2005

Mr. Kelly Parkhill
Director for Industry Support and Analysis
Import Administration
U.S. Department of Commerce
Room 3713
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Dear Mr. Parkhill:

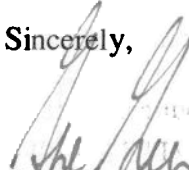
I write today regarding the Steel Import Monitoring and Analysis (SIMA) System and the inclusion of wire products within the program.

I commend the Department's decision to include wire rod and carbon, stainless and other alloy steel wire in the revised SIMA system, to be implemented on June 9, 2005. Wire and wire products are important components of the steel industry; therefore, coverage of wire products is essential to the effectiveness of the SIMA system. For this reason, I would encourage the Department to extend coverage of its import monitoring program to include the following categories of steel wire products:

1. Steel wire strand and rope, and cable (HTS 7312)
2. Barbed wire (HTS 7313)
3. Steel wire cloth, grill, netting and fencing (HTS 7314)
4. Steel wire nails and staples (HTS 7317)
5. Steel springs (HTS 7320)
6. Steel wire garment hangers (HTS 7326.20.0020)

Thank you in advance for your consideration of this request. Should you have any questions or require additional information, please do not hesitate to contact Lantie Ferguson, of my staff, at (202) 225-1688.

Sincerely,


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