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Suspension Agreement on Certain Cut-to-Length Carbon Steel Plate from the PRC

TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES:

Enclosed please find a copy of the proposed amendment to the Agreement Suspending the Antidumping Duty Investigation on Certain Cut-to-Length Carbon Steel Plate from PRC. This draft amendment would provide for an additional year's export limits "to provide for the continuation of exports of cut-to-length plate from PRC to the United States." The new export limits would expire on November 1, 2003, unless the underlying Agreement is terminated as a result of the ongoing sunset review.

Interested parties are being afforded a opportunity to comment on this proposed Agreement. Comments must be submitted no later December 12, 2002 to:

AD/CVD Enforcement Group III
International Trade Administration
U.S. Department of Commerce
c/o Central Records Unit, Room 1874
Washington, D.C. 20230
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If you have any questions, please contact Stephen Bailey at (202) 482-1102.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure

AMENDMENT TO THE ANTIDUMPING SUSPENSION AGREEMENT
ON CERTAIN CUT-TO-LENGTH CARBON STEEL PLATE
BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA

The United States Department of Commerce (Department) and the Government of the People's Republic of China (PRC) hereby amend Section XII of the Agreement Suspending the Antidumping Investigation on Certain Cut-to-Length Carbon Steel Plate from the People's Republic of China, signed October 24, 1997, by adding the following language immediately after the first sentence of Section XII:

In order to provide for the continuation of exports of cut-to-length plate from the PRC to the United States during and immediately following the five-year review by the Department and the International Trade Commission pursuant to section 751(c) of the Act, the export limits provided for in Section III of this Agreement, shall remain in force through November 1, 2003.

If, after said date, the underlying proceeding remains suspended, the Government of the PRC and the Department will enter into consultations to agree upon export limits in order to permit future shipments under the Agreement. If, prior to said date, the underlying proceeding is terminated as a result of the sunset review, the Agreement, this Amendment and the export limits contained therein will be terminated.

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