

May 13, 2004



Via Telecopy: (202) 482-5650

Regulatory Policy Division
Attention: Copper Short Supply Petition
Bureau of Industry and Security
P.O. Box 273
Washington, DC 20044

Re: Request to Participate at the Public Hearing to Be Held on May 19, 2004

Dear Sir or Madam:

On April 7, 2004, the Bureau of Industry and Security (BIS) received a written petition requesting the imposition of short supply export controls and monitoring on recyclable metallic materials containing copper (the "Petition"). Pursuant to the notice in the May 10, 2004, Federal Register (69 Fed. Reg. 25856) regarding a public hearing on the issue, the Institute of Scrap Recycling Industries, Inc. (ISRI) respectfully submits a request for the following three individuals to speak at the public hearing to be held on May 19, 2004.

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Mr. Tauben is an internationally known copper trader. He has more than forty years of experience and is regarded as one of the most insightful and sophisticated brokers in the metal industry. With his expertise and knowledge about the copper scrap industry, he will provide analysis and insights concerning the state of the copper scrap and copper metals markets. He will also discuss issues relating to pricing, including the relationship of copper metal prices and copper scrap prices.

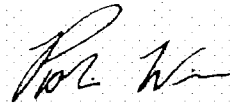
Mr. Strelitz is the President of a company that manufactures brass and bronze ingots. His company is thus a consumer of both copper scrap and copper metal. Mr. Strelitz will explain the reasons why he and his company oppose the Petition and what adverse effect it may have on his company if the Petition is granted.

ISRI is a trade association that represents more than 1300 companies and in the scrap processing industry. ISRI member companies operate over 3000 facilities in North America.. These include the scrap yards that process copper scrap and sell it to consumers, including those companies that submitted or support the Petition. Ms. Wiener, President of ISRI, will discuss the overall scrap processing industry and explain its importance to, and integration with, the copper industry.

We value the opportunity to speak at the public hearing on the Petition to be held on May 19, 2004, and ask that you consider and grant our request to participate the public hearing as speakers. Should you have questions or require additional information please contact Ms. Wiener using the contact information provided above.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely yours,



Robin K. Wiener
President