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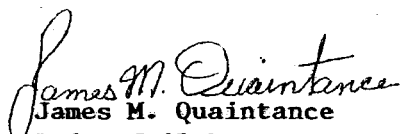
Dear Mr. Lichtenbaum:

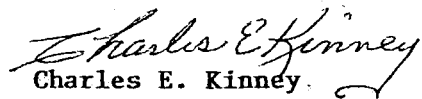
As a bronze foundry in Ohio, our company has been directly affected by the volatile market conditions (price increases) for copper and copper alloy scrap. Over the past three months alone, we have seen our materials costs increase by no less than 46%.

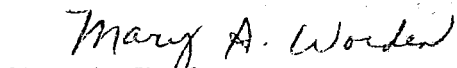
We believe that the increase in these costs are due to the increased demand or growth and the anti-competitive trade policies of the Chinese government. Accordingly, we support the "Petition For The Imposition Of Monitoring And Controls With Respect To Exports From The United States Of Copper Scrap And Copper Alloy Scrap" filed by the Copper and Brass Fabricators Council and the Non-Ferrous Founders' Society on this past April 7th.

We therefore respectfully request that the Commerce Department accept this petition and initiate the investigations necessary to determine whether the remedies requested in that petition are justified.

Sincerely,


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c/c: Bernard Kritzer, Director of the Office of Strategic Trade and Foreign Policy
The Honorable Paul E. Gilmor, U. S. House of Representatives
The Honorable George Voinovich, U. S. Senate