

Certain Ductile Iron Waterworks Fittings from China
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Remedy Proposal of Chairman Deanna Tanner Okun,
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Having earlier determined that certain ductile iron waterworks fittings from the People's Republic of China are being imported into the United States in such increased quantities as to cause market disruption to the domestic industry, we propose the amount of import relief necessary to remedy the market disruption.

In this investigation, we recommend the imposition of a tariff-rate quota, for a three-year period, in the following amount in the first year, increasing in each consecutive year with decreasing over-quota tariff rates:

TRQ Form of Relief	Year 1 Level	Year 2 Level	Year 3 Level
In-Quota Amount	14,324 short tons	15,398 short tons	16,553 short tons
Additional Duties Above Quota	50 percent	40 percent	30 percent

A tariff-rate quota at this level should remedy the market disruption caused by the increased imports of Chinese ductile iron waterworks fittings.

Finally, if applications are filed, we recommend that the President direct the U.S. Department of Commerce and the U.S. Department of Labor to provide expedited consideration of trade adjustment assistance for firms and/or workers affected by the subject imports.