# UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:	)	
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WELDED STAINLESS STEEL	)	Investigation Nos.:
PRESSURE PIPE FROM CHINA	)	701-TA-454 AND 731-TA-1144
	)	(Preliminary)

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> Friday, March 14, 2008

Room 101 U.S. International Trade Commission 500 E Street, S.W. Washington, D.C.

The Commission meeting commenced, pursuant to notice, at 11:03 a.m., before the Commissioners of the United States International Trade Commission, the Honorable DANIEL R. PEARSON, Chairman, presiding.

APPEARANCES:

## On behalf of the International Trade Commission:

#### Commissioners:

DANIEL R. PEARSON, CHAIRMAN (presiding)
SHARA L. ARANOFF, VICE CHAIRMAN (via telephone)
DEANNA TANNER OKUN, COMMISSIONER
CHARLOTTE R. LANE, COMMISSIONER
IRVING A. WILLIAMSON, COMMISSIONER (via telephone)
DEAN A. PINKERT, COMMISSIONER (via telephone)

MARILYN R. ABBOTT, SECRETARY TO THE COMMISSION BILL BISHOP, HEARINGS AND MEETINGS COORDINATOR

APPEARANCES: (Cont'd)

## Staff:

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NORMAN VAN TOAI, INDUSTRY ANALYST
WILLIAM GREENE, ECONOMIST
JOHN ASCIENZO, ACCOUNTANT/AUDITOR
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DOUGLAS CORKRAN, SUPERVISORY INVESTIGATOR

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1	<u>PROCEEDINGS</u>
2	(11:03 a.m.)
3	CHAIRMAN PEARSON: Good morning. This
4	meeting of the U.S. International Trade Commission
5	will now come to order.
6	Welcome to Vice Chairman Aranoff and
7	Commissioners Williamson and Pinkert, who are
8	participating by telephone.
9	VICE CHAIRMAN ARANOFF: Good morning.
10	COMMISSIONER WILLIAMSON: Good morning.
11	COMMISSIONER PINKERT: Good morning.
12	CHAIRMAN PEARSON: Excellent. You can see
13	that the Secretary's microphone is working more
14	effectively than mine this morning.
15	Permit me to depart just briefly from the
16	prepared script. You will have noted that my three
17	Democratic colleagues are not here with us today. I
18	want to put to rest the rumors that they will be out
19	of the office for the next six weeks engaged in
20	important activities in Pennsylvania. Yes, they all
21	are doing important things that have taken them away
22	from the office today. However, we look forward to
23	having them back with us next week. And I'd like to
24	assure you none of them are in Pennsylvania.
25	Back to the prepared text. I understand
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- 1 that there are no agendas for future meetings or
- 2 outstanding action jackets to consider.
- 3 Is there any objection to approval of the
- 4 minutes of February 26 and 29, 2008, or Ratification
- 5 List 08-005?
- 6 Did I hear an objection?
- 7 (No response.)
- 8 CHAIRMAN PEARSON: No? Hearing none, they
- 9 are approved.
- 10 Next we turn to the vote in Investigation
- 11 Nos. 701-TA-454 and 731-TA-1144 (Preliminary) (Welded
- 12 Stainless Steel Pressure Pipe from China).
- 13 Welcome to Mr. Corkran and the staff who
- 14 participated in these investigations.
- 15 Are there any questions for the staff?
- 16 (No response.)
- 17 CHAIRMAN PEARSON: Are there any additions
- 18 or corrections to the staff report?
- MS. HAINES: Elizabeth Haines, Office of
- 20 Investigations. Mr. Chairman, there are no additions
- or corrections to the staff report.
- 22 CHAIRMAN PEARSON: Okay. Is there any
- objection to approval of the staff report?
- 24 (No response.)
- 25 CHAIRMAN PEARSON: Hearing none, it is

- 1 approved.
- 2 Madame Secretary, will you please call the
- 3 roll?
- 4 MS. ABBOTT: Commissioner Pinkert.
- 5 COMMISSIONER PINKERT: I vote in the
- 6 affirmative.
- 7 MS. ABBOTT: Commissioner Aranoff.
- 8 VICE CHAIRMAN ARANOFF: I vote in the
- 9 affirmative.
- 10 MS. ABBOTT: Commissioner Lane.
- 11 COMMISSIONER LANE: I vote in the
- 12 affirmative.
- MS. ABBOTT: Commissioner Pearson.
- 14 CHAIRMAN PEARSON: I vote in the
- 15 affirmative.
- 16 MS. ABBOTT: Commissioner Williamson.
- 17 COMMISSIONER WILLIAMSON: I vote in the
- 18 affirmative.
- 19 MS. ABBOTT: Commissioner Okun.
- 20 COMMISSIONER OKUN: I vote in the
- 21 affirmative.
- MS. ABBOTT: Mr. Chairman, the Commission
- 23 has reached an affirmative determination.
- 24 CHAIRMAN PEARSON: Thank you, Madame
- 25 Secretary.

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                 Further information regarding these
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      determinations will be available in the press release.
      Commissioners' opinions currently are scheduled to be
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      transmitted to the Department of Commerce on or before
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      March 24, 2008.
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                 Thank you to all staff who participated in
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       these investigations. And thanks to everyone here for
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       their flexibility in dealing with today's challenges.
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                 Seeing that there is no other business
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      before the Commission, this meeting is adjourned.
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                 (Whereupon, at 11:07 a.m., the Commission
      meeting was concluded.)
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#### CERTIFICATION OF TRANSCRIPTION

TITLE: Welded Stainless Steel Pressure

Pipe from China

INVESTIGATION NOS.: 701-TA-454 and 731-TA-1144

(Preliminary)

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