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ALPPA Commends the ITC's Decision to Maintain the Dumping Order on Welded Large Diameter Line Pipe from Japan

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Washington, DC— The American Line Pipe Producers Association (ALPPA), a coalition of domestic line pipe producers, commends today's unanimous affirmative determination by the U.S. International Trade Commission (ITC) in the third sunset review of the antidumping order on welded large diameter line pipe (WLDLP) from Japan that revocation of the order will lead to recurrence of material injury to the domestic industry. As a result of this affirmative finding, dumping duties on Japanese WLDLP will remain in place for at least five more years. These duties are in addition to the 25% Section 232 duties that are currently in place on U.S. imports of Japanese WLDLP.

"The ITC correctly recognized that Japanese WLDLP will quickly return to the U.S. market in injurious volumes and at injurious prices if the dumping order is revoked," said Tim Brightbill, counsel to ALPPA. "Maintaining this order is critical to domestic WLDLP producers and workers, and we are pleased that the ITC has recognized the importance of this trade relief."

The ITC arrived at its decision in this sunset review after a full investigation of whether revocation of the order would likely lead to the continuation or recurrence of material injury to the domestic industry. This win for the domestic industry falls closely behind the recent imposition of trade orders on large diameter welded pipe

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from Canada, China, Greece, India, Korea, and Turkey, and sends an important message that international trade must be fair trade.

ALPPA is composed of the following domestic large diameter line pipe producers: American Cast Iron Pipe Company, Berg Steel Pipe Corp., Dura-Bond Industries, JSW Steel (USA) Inc., Stupp Corporation, and Welspun Tubular, LLC.

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