



Wednesday, August 23, 2017

The Honorable Donald J. Trump
The President of the United States of America
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:

As the men and women leading 25 of America's steel and steel-related companies, with over 75,000 collective employees, we write today to encourage you to take broad and decisive action to ensure the ability of the domestic steel industry to supply our nation's defense and critical infrastructure needs.

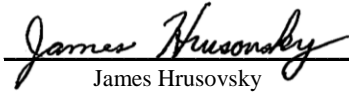
We encourage your administration to take immediate action under Section 232 of the Trade Expansion Act of 1962 to prevent excess steel capacity and surging steel imports from undermining the viability of the U.S. steel industry. As you know, excess capacity in many foreign countries is the main cause of the sustained surge in imports. The U.S. government has been trying to address overcapacity through multilateral organizations like the G-20 and the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD). So far, those efforts have failed to produce an effective solution, and the U.S. industry continues to suffer the consequences of foreign government inaction. Under your bold leadership, Mr. President, with your vision for "America First," this can and must change.

The need for action is urgent. Since the 232 investigation was announced in April, imports have continued to surge. In June, steel imports hit their highest monthly total in more than two years by capturing 30% of the U.S. market. Immediate action must meaningfully adjust imports to restore healthy levels of capacity utilization and profitability to the domestic industry over a sustained period.

The sustained surge of steel imports into the United States has hollowed out much of the domestic steel industry and threatens our ability to meet national security needs. Mr. President, since taking office, you have tackled great challenges that have plagued America for many years. Your leadership in finding a solution to the crisis facing the steel industry is badly needed now. Only you can authorize actions that can solve this crisis and we are asking for your immediate assistance.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



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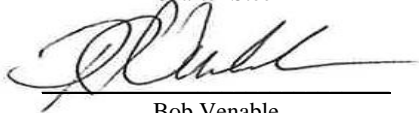
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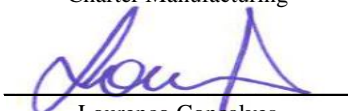
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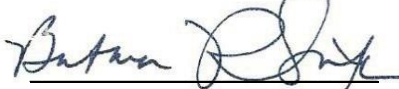
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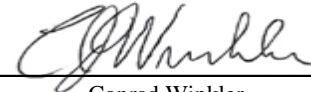
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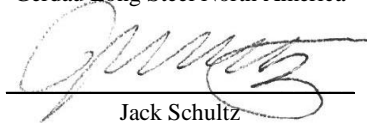
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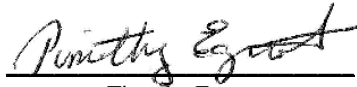
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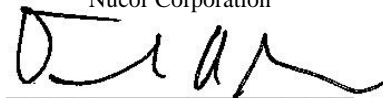
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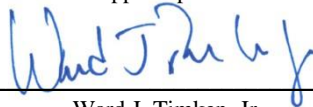
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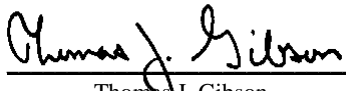
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