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Border Protection

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Subject: Steel Identification, Classification & Trade Law Seminar, July 20-21, 2016

PURPOSE:

The Port of Los Angeles/Long Beach is pleased to announce an updated Steel Identification, Classification and Trade Law Seminar will be conducted on Wednesday, July 20, 2016 (all day), and Thursday, July 21, 2016 (from 8:30 a.m. – concluding at 12:30 pm). The program, presented by technical, commercial and legal experts from the steel industry, aims to increase the knowledge level of U.S. Customs and Border Protection officials, other U.S. Government Officials and Customhouse Brokers regarding steel importations. Please note that the seminar program has been significantly modified, revised, and restructured from previous seminars held in Houston and other ports, including new material on fraud, circumvention and evasion, plus expanded information on current issues.

INFORMATION:

An invitation with more specific registration information is attached. Attendance is **FREE**. ***Please register early to assure a confirmed acceptance of your registration. Space is limited.*** Each interested participant must register in order to attend this free seminar. In order to register, the attached form must be completed and then emailed (preferred method) to rddonna@wileyrein.com or the form can be faxed to (202) 719-7049.

The REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS **WEDNESDAY, JUNE 29, 2016**.

Any questions or comments regarding this information should be directed to Mr. Bruce Raine, U.S. Customs & Border Protection, Port of Los Angeles/Long Beach, at (562) 366-5629.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Sergio Espinoza".

Sergio Espinoza
Acting Port Director
Los Angeles/Long Beach Seaport

INVITATION & REGISTRATION

**STEEL IDENTIFICATION, CLASSIFICATION AND
TRADE LAW SEMINAR – LOS ANGELES/LONG BEACH, CA**

For
**U.S. CUSTOMS AND BORDER PROTECTION,
OTHER U.S. GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS
and CUSTOMHOUSE BROKERS**

Hosted by
U.S. CUSTOMS AND BORDER PROTECTION

Presented and Sponsored by the
UNITED STATES DOMESTIC STEEL INDUSTRY

Represented by
American Iron and Steel Institute (AISI)
Committee on Pipe and Tube Imports (CPTI)
Specialty Steel Industry of North America (SSINA)
Steel Manufacturers Association (SMA)
Wire Rod Producers Coalition
Steel Grating Coalition
Pre-Stressed Concrete Railroad Tie Wire Coalition
Long Products Producers Coalition

When: Wednesday, July 20, 2016
Thursday, July 21, 2016

8:30 AM to 4:30 PM
8:30 AM to 12:30 PM

Where: Port of Long Beach – Maintenance HQ
725 Harbor Plaza
Long Beach, CA 90802

This program is structured for Customhouse Broker personnel handling imported steel, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) officials and other U.S. Government officials interested in steel enforcement. The seminar is **FREE**, and it is not geographically restricted, so attendance from locations outside the general southern California region is encouraged. All costs for the seminar itself are covered by the steel industry. Participants are responsible for their own travel, lodging, and meal expenses.

DISCLAIMER: This information has been prepared for your convenience by the American steel industry. This material is intended to provide guidance. Recognizing that many complicated factors are involved in trade matters, an importer may wish to obtain a binding ruling under 19 CFR Part 177. Reliance solely on this information may not be considered reasonable care. Importers are referred to **Treasury Decision 97-96**, which was published in the *Federal Register* of December 4, 1997, and in the **Customs Bulletin** of December 17, 1997, for in-depth information on the concept of reasonable care.

The seminar, presented by technical, commercial and legal experts representing the steel industry, aims to increase the knowledge of steel importations by CBP and other USG officials and members of the Customhouse broker community. Brokers, Government and the steel industry all benefit when personnel involved in the steel import process are more knowledgeable of steel and the specific laws, rules and regulations that apply to steel imports. The partnership between CBP and the steel industry and the seminar program have been continuous since the mid-1960s, with hundreds of CBP, other USG and Broker officials participating annually. **The seminar is continuously revised and updated. You should attend even if you have been to past seminars.** In recognition of the significant problem of fraud, circumvention and evasion, there is additional material on this subject, as well as expanded information on current issues.

The **CLASSROOM SEMINAR PROGRAM** consists of four parts --

- a) **Market, industry & trade law perspective**, including
 - Introductory Overview, Market Perspective,
 - Steelmaking,
 - Principals of Classification,
 - Basics of U.S. Trade Law, and
 - Dept of Commerce Customs Liaison Unit
- b) **Technical topics**, including
 - Standards, Specifications, Metallurgy, and Mill Test Certificates
- c) **Carbon and alloy steel mill products**, including presentations for each major category (Flat Rolled Products, Tubular Products, Long Products) on
 - Classification,
 - Technical,
 - Legal, and
 - Commercial Issues.
- d) **Stainless steel mill products**, covering all product forms, with separate presentations on
 - Classification and Technical, and
 - Legal and Commercial.

A copy of the preliminary agenda is attached. The presenters will concentrate on issues of importance to CBP, HSI and the Broker community, such as product identification, HTS classification, antidumping and countervailing duty laws including product coverage and exclusions, world economic and steel industry events impacting steel trade, and specific enforcement issues, particularly fraud, circumvention and evasion.

Please note that the classroom portion of the seminar is presented over two days and **there is no repetition.** **You must attend all sessions to experience all the topics.** Each attendee will be provided with a comprehensive manual containing all presentations and reference materials.

You are required to register to attend the seminar. It's easy, and it's **FREE.** Complete the following form, and **email the form to rdidonna@wileyrein.com,** or fax the form to the attention of Richard F. DiDonna at (202) 719-7049 (**email is preferred.**). **Register early to assure yourself a place – space is limited.** We need an accurate count of attendees to prepare and ship appropriate seminar materials in a timely manner. Registrants will be provided with additional details **by email** as we approach the seminar dates.

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Los Angeles/Long Beach Steel Seminar Registration

(Please Print Clearly or Type **ALL Requested Information)**

Name: _____

Position: _____

Company: _____

Address: _____

City/State/ZIP _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Seminar:

Wednesday, July 20 (all day)

___ I **WILL** Attend

___ I WILL **NOT** Attend

Thursday, July 21 (morning)

___ I **WILL** Attend

___ I WILL **NOT** Attend

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Information: For more seminar information, information on hotels, or if you have any other questions, contact Richard F. DiDonna, Steel Industry Customs Liaison by email at rdidonna@wileyrein.com or by phone at **(202) 719-7196**.

Steel Identification, Classification & Trade Law Seminar
U.S. Customs & Border Protection, HSI, Other U.S. Government agencies, and Customhouse Brokers
Port of Long Beach – Maintenance Headquarters, 725 Harbor Plaza
Long Beach, CA 90802

Presented by:

American Iron and Steel Institute (AISI),
 Committee on Pipe and Tube Imports (CPTI),
 Specialty Steel Industry of North America (SSINA),
 Steel Manufacturers' Association (SMA),
 Wire Rod (WRPC) & Pre-Stressed Concrete Railroad Tie Wire Producers' Coalitions,
 Steel Grating Coalition, and the Long Products' Producers Coalition

<u>Time</u>	<u>Sect.</u>	<u>Topic</u>	<u>Discussion Leader</u>
Wednesday, July 20			
<u>Market, Industry and Trade Law Perspectives</u>			
8:30 – 9:25 AM	1 A, B 1 C	Introductory Overview, Market Perspective (15) Steelmaking (30)	Richard DiDonna – Wiley Rein LLP Randy Krause – Nucor Corp.
<i>Break (10 mins.)</i>			
<u>Classification and Trade Law Overviews</u>			
9:25 – 11:05 AM	1 D 1 E 1 X 1 Z	- Principles of Classification (35) - Basics of Antidumping & Countervailing Duty Law (30) CBP Overview (10) Customs Liaison Unit – US Dept. of Commerce (15)	Larry Lasoff – Kelley Drye & Warren Larry Lasoff – Kelley Drye & Warren TBD Christian Marsh – USDOC
<i>Break (10 mins.)</i>			
<u>Technical Topics</u>			
11:05 – 11:40 AM	2 A	Standards, Specifications, Metallurgy & Mill Test Certs (35)	Ed Blot – Ed Blot & Associates
<u>Carbon & Alloy Steel Mill Products</u>			
<u>Flat Rolled Products</u>			
11:40 – 11:55 AM	3 A	- Classification and Technical Semifinished, Plates (15)	Glenn Gilmore – SSAB Steel
11:55 AM – 1:25 PM	<i>Lunch (90 minutes, on your own)</i>		
1:25 – 3:05 PM	3 B 3 C 3 D 3 X	Sheets & Strip – Hot & Cold Rolled, Coated (30) Tin Mill Products (10) - Legal and Commercial (35) Fraud and Circumvention (15)	Randy Krause – Nucor Corp. Roger Schagrin – Schagrin Associates Alan H. Price – Wiley Rein LLP Roger Schagrin – Schagrin Associates
<i>Break (10 mins.)</i>			
<u>Tubular Products</u>			
3:05 – 4:30 PM	4 A 4 B	- Classification and Technical (30) - Legal and Commercial (25)	Greg Maurer – JMC Steel Roger Schagrin – Schagrin Associates
<u>Long Products – Classification, Technical, Legal & Comm'l</u>			
	5 A	Hot-Rolled & Cold-Finished Bars (20)	Jose Cisneros – ArcelorMittal USA
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Thursday, July 21			
<u>Long Products – Classification, Technical, Legal & Comm'l</u>			
8:30 – 10:25 AM	5 B 5 C 5 D	Legal: Wire Rod, PC RR Tie Wire (30) Structural Shapes, Rebar, and Grating (40) Legal: Structural, Rebar, Bars and Grating (35)	Alan Lubberda – Kelley Drye & Warren Randy Krause – Nucor Corp. Alan H. Price – Wiley Rein LLP
<i>Break (10 mins.)</i>			
<u>Stainless Steel Mill Products</u>			
10:25 – 11:40 AM	6 A	- Classification and Technical (65)	Ed Blot – SSINA
<i>Break (10 mins.)</i>			
11:40 AM – 12:30 PM	6 B	- Legal and Commercial (50)	Ed Blot – SSINA