

»»» Schedule of Events

Wednesday, September 16

2:00pm - 5:30pm

Registration

Bryce (Conference Level 2nd Floor)

2:30pm - 5:30pm

Executive Committee Meeting (Committee Members Only)

Glacier (Conference Level 2nd Floor)

4:30pm - 5:30pm

Membership Committee Meeting

Open to all attendees, refreshments provided

Yosemite (Conference Level 2nd Floor)

5:30pm - 7:00pm

Opening Reception

Thornton Room (11th Floor)

Dinner on Your Own

Thursday, September 17

Breakfast on Your Own

9:00am - 12:30pm

General Session

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Political Engagement and the Passage of ENFORCE

- › Milton Magnus, III, President, M & B Metal Products
- › Timothy Selhorst, President & CEO, American Spring Wire Corporation
- › H O Woltz, III, President, Insteel Industries Inc.
- › Janet Kopenhaver, Director of Government Relations, AWPA
- › Brian Diffell, Washington Tax & Public Policy Group
- › Moderated by Kimberly Korb, Executive Director, AWPA

Presidential Elections and Taking the Next Step in Political Engagement

- › Kraig Naasz, President & CEO, American Frozen Food Institute

Please be courteous and silence your cell phone during meetings.

Employment Regulation: What to Watch, and NAM's Policy Agenda for the Upcoming Year

- › Joe Trauger, Vice President of Human Resources Policy, National Association of Manufacturers

Lunch on your own

1:30pm - 5:30pm

Congressional Visits On Capitol Hill

6:00pm - 7:00pm

Reception

Congressional A

Dinner on Your Own

Friday, September 18

7:00am - 9:30am

Congressional Visits Debriefing Breakfast

Congressional A (Lobby Level)

9:30am - 11:00am

Stainless Committee Meeting

Grand Teton (Conference Level Second Floor)

11:00am - 1:30pm

Board of Directors Meeting & Lunch

Thornton Lounge (11th Floor)



»»» Future Meetings

2015

October 21-22

Fall Operations Managers Meeting
Hotel Preston / Nashville, TN
Plant Tours: Sumiden Wire Products and Mid-South Wire

2016

February 22-24

Annual Meeting
Vinoy Renaissance Resort & Golf Club / St. Petersburg, FL

June 6-8 (New Dates!)

Government Affairs Conference
W Hotel / Washington, DC

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American Wire Producers Association
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Brian	Archer	Duferco Steel Inc.	Matawan	NJ
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AMERICAN WIRE PRODUCERS ASSOCIATION

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Speaker Biographies

Milton M. Magnus, III

President, M&B Metal Products Company

President, AWWA

M & B Metal Products Company, Inc. (M&B) is a family-owned business started by Mr. Magnus' grandfather in 1943. Milton Magnus, III joined the company in 1974. In 2007, M&B was the lone survivor in what once was a strong industry, manufacturing wire garment hangers. They had the choice of closing their US Operations and becoming an importer, or fighting. M&B chose to fight, so on July 31, 2007, they filed an antidumping petition against wire garment hangers from China. Today, they continue to produce in the US and a small industry is beginning to again take hold. Milton lives in Leeds, Alabama, with his wife Gail, with all his children and grandchildren nearby. He is also currently serving as President of the American Wire Producers Association (AWPA), and has been on the Board of Directors since 2002.

Timothy W. Selhorst

President & CEO

American Spring Wire Corporation (ASW)

Vice President & Government Relations Advisory Committee Chair, AWWA

Tim Selhorst has been in the steel wire, wire rod, and wire products industry since 1986. He began his career at American Steel & Wire in Cleveland, OH which was a restart of a defunct US Steel operation. Tim started with American Spring Wire Corp. in 1990 and worked in sales and procurement until 1999 when he became the company's Chief Operating Officer. Tim has served as ASW's President and CEO since 2002. He is also President of J&L Wire Cloth LLC, a subsidiary of ASW purchased in May, 2007. In October 2008, as a Vice President of the AWWA, Tim represented the association at the US/China Steel Dialogue in Beijing, China. This was the first time that AWWA has been officially represented at an international trade policy meeting. Tim has served on the AWWA Board of Directors since 2002.

H. O. Woltz, III

President & CEO

Insteel Industries Inc.

H. Woltz was elected Chief Executive Officer in 1991 and has served in various capacities with the Company and its subsidiaries since 1978. He was elected Chairman of the Board in February 2009. H was named President and Chief Operating Officer in 1989 after serving as Vice President from 1988 to 1989 and as President of Rappahannock Wire Company, formerly a subsidiary of the company, from 1981 to 1989. H has been a director of the company since 1986 and also serves as President of Insteel Wire Products Company, the company's wholly-owned subsidiary. He served as President of Florida Wire and Cable, Inc. until its merger with Insteel Wire Products Company in 2002. H earned his bachelor's degree in business administration from the University of North Carolina - Chapel Hill. He has served on the AWWA Board of Directors since 1990.

Brian Diffell
Senior Vice President
Washington Tax & Public Policy Group

Brian Diffell joined the Washington Tax & Public Policy Group in October 2013 following 12 years of House and Senate service for now-Senator Roy Blunt of Missouri, including five years as Blunt's legislative director. During his congressional career Brian worked across all areas of public policy, specializing in international trade, intelligence, defense, foreign policy, immigration, and telecommunications issues. His legislative background uniquely includes experience in both the House and Senate Republican leadership, owing to Blunt's status as one of two legislators in US history to serve in elected leadership roles in both bodies. During his Capitol Hill career, Brian served as the lead House Majority Whip policy staffer during the narrow passage of the US-Dominican Republic-Central America Free Trade Agreement (DR-CAFTA) in 2005, lead House majority staffer in negotiating and passing the Iran Sanctions Act of 2006, lead House Republican staffer on bipartisan negotiations leading to passage of the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act (FISA) Amendments Act of 2008, and lead Senate Republican staffer on bipartisan negotiations leading to the passage of free trade agreements with South Korea, Colombia, and Panama in 2011. Raised in Blacksburg, Virginia, Brian graduated from the College of William & Mary with a degree in International Relations, focusing on European studies. He holds a Master's Degree in National Security and Strategic Studies with highest distinction from the United States Naval War College. He lives in Alexandria, Virginia, with his wife and two children.

Janet Kopenhaver
Director of Government Relations
American Wire Producers Association

Janet Kopenhaver has over twenty years of experience in the public policy and government relations field. She founded her consulting firm – Eye on Washington – with the aim of creating a highly efficient and results-oriented company to assist organizations in ways specially designed to fit their needs. Throughout her career, she has developed numerous contacts both on Capitol Hill and in US Federal Government Agencies, including the US Department of Commerce, US Trade Representative (USTR), Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), US Department of Agriculture, US Department of Energy, US Department of Labor, and US Department of State. Among her many areas of expertise are: lobbying of legislators and Administration officials; grassroots development and management; public policy strategic planning; newsletters, background papers, action alerts; monitoring and analyzing legislative and regulatory developments; arranging and preparing attendees for meetings with Members of Congress and Administration officials; and writing public policy releases. Janet has put her expertise to work for AWPA since 2000 and was instrumental in developing the new Wire and Wire Products Caucus in the US House of Representatives.

Joe Trauger
Vice President of Human Resource Policy
National Association of Manufacturers (NAM)

Joe Trauger is vice president of human resources policy at the National Association of Manufacturers (NAM). In this capacity, Joe serves as the senior lobbyist before Congress and the Administration on a wide range of human resources issues, including health care, immigration, education and training, workplace safety and labor management. Prior to joining the NAM, he operated his own consulting practice—Joe Trauger (JT) Consulting— which specialized in health care issues. He also worked at the Healthcare Distribution Management Association, where he managed the federal lobbying team, and previously served as senior vice president for The Federalist Group, where he managed the health care practice. Joe has more than 10 years of experience on Capitol Hill. He served for a US senator and several Representatives, including nearly four years in House leadership as the principal health advisor in the majority leader and majority whip offices. He also worked with the House Energy and Commerce Committee, House Ways and Means Committee, Senate Health, Education, Labor and Pensions Committee and Senate Finance Committee. Joe has effectively worked for associations and corporations with varying business and political needs and has successfully secured introduction of bipartisan legislation, developed amendment strategies, built coalitions and directed fundraising efforts on behalf of his clients and employers. Joe earned his BA in political science from Minnesota State University—Mankato.

Kraig Naasz
President and CEO
American Frozen Food Institute (AFFI).

Kraig Naasz directs the AFFI's advocacy and public outreach efforts relative to food safety and security, child nutrition, immigration reform, international trade and other issues that affect the frozen food industry. Kraig is also an active member of several key groups that advocate for business in our nation's capital, including the Business Industry Political Action Committee (BIPAC), US Chamber of Commerce Association Committee of 100 (C-100) and National Association of Manufacturers (NAM) Council of Manufacturing Associations. Prior to joining AFFI, Kraig served for three years as president and CEO of the National Mining Association (NMA) advocating the interests of coal and mineral producers. Prior to NMA, Kraig served for three years as president of The Fertilizer Institute (TFI) where he directed the industry's efforts to address security concerns stemming from the Oklahoma City bombing and 9/11. Kraig also founded the Nutrients for Life Foundation to better educate the public and policy makers about the benefits of fertilizer to society. Kraig is a veteran of two presidential campaigns, and served as the Washington state executive director of former US Senator Bob Dole's presidential campaign. He also worked in various staff capacities on Capitol Hill. A Yakima, Washington native, Kraig and his wife and daughter presently reside in Oakton, Virginia.

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STATUS
OF
ANTIDUMPING (AD) AND COUNTERVAILING DUTY (CVD) ORDERS AND DEPOSIT RATES
ON
CARBON AND CERTAIN ALLOY STEEL WIRE ROD

SEPTEMBER 2015

COUNTRY	DATE OF ORDER	DUMPING DUTY DEPOSIT RATES	COUNTERVAILING DUTY DEPOSIT RATES
BRAZIL	AD: October 29, 2002 CVD: October 22, 2002	74.45—98.69%	2.76—6.74%
CHINA	AD: January 8, 2015 CVD: January 8, 2015	106.19—110.25%	178.46—193.31%
INDONESIA	AD: October 29, 2002	0.00—4.06%	<i>Not Applicable</i>
MEXICO ^{*/}	AD: October 29, 2002	0.00—20.11%	<i>Not Applicable</i>
MOLDOVA	AD: October 29, 2002	369.10%	<i>Not Applicable</i>
TRINIDAD & TOBAGO	AD: October 29, 2002	11.40—23.95%	<i>Not Applicable</i>

^{*/} There is a pending administrative review of this order, covering imports from Deacero S.A. de C.V. and ArcelorMittal las Truchas during October 1, 2013, through September 30, 2014. The preliminary results are expected by the end of 2015.

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STATUS OF U.S. ANTIDUMPING (AD) ORDERS AND DUMPING DUTY DEPOSIT RATES ON STAINLESS STEEL WIRE ROD

SEPTEMBER 2015

COUNTRY	DATE OF ORDER	DUMPING DUTY DEPOSIT RATES	COMPANIES EXCLUDED FROM ORDER
INDIA	December 1, 1993	2.10—48.80%	VIRAJ ALLOYS LTD. and VSL WIRES LTD.
ITALY	September 15, 1998	11.25%	ACCIAIERIE VALBRUNA / BOLZANO S.P.A.
JAPAN	September 15, 1998	21.18—34.21%	HITACHI METALS LTD.
KOREA	September 15, 1998	5.77—28.44%	None.
SPAIN	September 15, 1998	0.00—2.71%	None.
TAIWAN	September 15, 1998	4.75—8.29%	YIEH HSING ENTERPRISE CORP.

NOTE: The U.S. International Trade Commission and the U.S. Department of Commerce are currently conducting the third sunset review of the antidumping orders on stainless steel wire rod from Italy, Japan, Korea, Spain, and Taiwan.

NOTE: The next sunset review of the antidumping order on stainless steel wire rod from India will begin in December 2016.

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STATUS OF U.S. ANTIDUMPING (AD) AND COUNTERVAILING DUTY (CVD) ORDERS ON STEEL WIRE AND WIRE PRODUCTS

BY COUNTRY

SEPTEMBER 2015

COUNTRY	PRODUCT	TYPE OF ORDER	DATE OF ORDER	DEPOSIT RATES
CHINA	STEEL NAILS	AD	August 1, 2008	0.00%—118.04%
	STEEL WIRE GARMENT HANGERS	AD	October 6, 2008	14.53%—187.25%
	UNCOVERED INNERSPRING UNITS	AD	February 19, 2009	164.75%—234.51%
	STEEL THREADED ROD	AD	April 14, 2009	19.54%—206.00%
	WIRE SHELVING	AD	September 14, 2009	0.00%—95.99%
	WIRE SHELVING	CVD	September 14, 2009	7.85%—264.09%
	PRESTRESSED CONCRETE STEEL WIRE STRAND	AD	June 29, 2010	42.42%—193.55%
	PRESTRESSED CONCRETE STEEL WIRE STRAND	CVD	July 7, 2010	9.42%—45.85%
	STEEL GRATING	AD	July 23, 2010	137.76%—145.18%
	STEEL GRATING	CVD	July 23, 2010	62.46%
	PRESTRESSED CONCRETE RAIL TIE WIRE	AD	June 24, 2014	31.40%—35.31%
VIETNAM	UNCOVERED INNERSPRING UNITS	AD	December 11, 2008	116.31%
	STEEL WIRE GARMENT HANGERS	AD	February 5, 2013	157.00%—220.68%
	STEEL WIRE GARMENT HANGERS	CVD	February 5, 2013	31.58%—90.42%
	STEEL NAILS	AD	July 13, 2015	323.99%
	STEEL NAILS	CVD	July 14, 2015	288.56%—313.97%
INDIA	PRESTRESSED CONCRETE STEEL WIRE STRAND	AD	January 28, 2004	83.65%—102.07%
	PRESTRESSED CONCRETE STEEL WIRE STRAND	CVD	February 4, 2004	62.92%
KOREA	PRESTRESSED CONCRETE STEEL WIRE STRAND	AD	January 28, 2004	35.64%—54.19%
	STEEL NAILS	AD	July 13, 2015	0.00%—11.80%
MEXICO	PRESTRESSED CONCRETE STEEL WIRE STRAND	AD	January 28, 2004	62.78%—77.20%
	PRESTRESSED CONCRETE RAIL TIE WIRE	AD	June 24, 2014	9.99%
TAIWAN	STEEL WIRE GARMENT HANGERS	AD	December 10, 2012	69.98%—125.43%
	STEEL NAILS	AD	July 13, 2015	0.00%—2.24%

**STATUS OF U.S. ANTIDUMPING (“AD”) AND COUNTERVAILING DUTY (CVD) ORDERS
ON STEEL WIRE AND WIRE PRODUCTS**

By Country

SEPTEMBER 2015

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BRAZIL	PRESTRESSED CONCRETE STEEL WIRE STRAND	AD	January 28, 2004	118.75%
JAPAN	PRESTRESSED CONCRETE STEEL WIRE STRAND	AD	December 8, 1978	0.00%—15.80%
MALAYSIA	STEEL NAILS	AD	July 13, 2015	2.66%—39.35%
OMAN	STEEL NAILS	AD	July 13, 2015	9.10%
SOUTH AFRICA	UNCOVERED INNERSPRING UNITS	AD	December 11, 2008	121.39%
THAILAND	PRESTRESSED CONCRETE STEEL WIRE STRAND	AD	January 28, 2004	12.91%
U.A.E.	STEEL NAILS	AD	May 10, 2011	18.13%—184.41%

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STATUS OF U.S. ANTIDUMPING (AD) AND COUNTERVAILING DUTY (CVD) ORDERS ON STEEL WIRE AND WIRE PRODUCTS

BY PRODUCT

SEPTEMBER 2015

PRODUCT	COUNTRY	TYPE OF ORDER	DATE OF ORDER	DEPOSIT RATES
STEEL NAILS	CHINA	AD	August 1, 2008	0.00%—118.04%
	UNITED ARAB EMIRATES	AD	May 10, 2011	18.13%—184.41%
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	KOREA	AD	January 28, 2004	35.64%—54.19%
	MEXICO	AD	January 28, 2004	62.78%—77.20%
	THAILAND	AD	January 28, 2004	12.91%

STATUS OF U.S. ANTIDUMPING (“AD”) AND COUNTERVAILING DUTY (CVD) ORDERS
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STEEL GRATING	CHINA	AD	July 23, 2010	137.76%—145.18%
	CHINA	CVD	July 23, 2010	62.46%
PRESTRESSED CONCRETE RAIL TIE WIRE	CHINA	AD	June 24, 2014	31.40%—35.31%
	MEXICO	AD	June 24, 2014	9.99%

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ANTICIRCUMVENTION INVESTIGATION OF SMALL-DIAMETER WIRE ROD FROM MEXICO

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SCOPE AND ANTICIRCUMVENTION PETITIONS FROM U.S. ROD INDUSTRY FEBRUARY 11, 2011

Two groups of U.S. rod producers—ArcelorMittal USA, Gerdau Ameristeel US, and Rocky Mountain Steel of Evraz Inc. NA; and Nucor Corporation and Cascade Steel Rolling Mills Inc.—submitted to the U.S. Department of Commerce (DOC) scope/anticircumvention petitions against small-diameter wire rod in connection with the antidumping (AD) order on carbon and certain alloy steel wire rod from Mexico. The petitions claimed that two Mexican producers/exporters—Deacero S.A. de C.V. (Deacero) and Ternium Mexico S.A. de C.V. (Ternium)—exported wire rod with a diameter of 4.75 mm to the United States. The scope of the AD order covers wire rod “5.00 mm or more . . . in solid cross-sectional diameter.”

DOC’S INITIATION OF ANTICIRCUMVENTION INVESTIGATION JUNE 8, 2011

The DOC formally initiated a “minor alterations anti-circumvention proceeding” with respect to wire rod from Mexico. The purpose of the proceeding is to determine whether wire rod with an actual diameter measuring between 4.75 mm and 5.00 mm results from a minor alteration and, thus, constitutes a change to the product which is so insufficient that the wire rod is subject to the AD order on carbon and certain alloy steel wire rod from Mexico.

On the other hand, the DOC declined to initiate a scope inquiry because it concluded that the diameters mentioned in the scope language (*i.e.*, “5.00 mm or more”) refer to actual diameters. The U.S. producers had claimed that the 4.75 mm rod product is within the scope of the AD order because it falls within the tolerance parameters of 5.00 mm rod. However, the DOC rejected this claim and found that wire rod with an actual diameter less than 5.00 mm is not within the scope of the order on wire rod from Mexico.

DOC’S PRELIMINARY DETERMINATION DECEMBER 20, 2011

The DOC preliminarily determined that “wire rod with an actual diameter between 4.75 mm and 5.00 mm produced in Mexico and exported to the United States by Deacero is circumventing the antidumping order on wire rod from Mexico” and that this small-diameter wire rod should be included in the scope of the antidumping order on wire rod from Mexico.

In reaching its preliminary determination, the DOC found that the small-diameter wire rod exported by Deacero is indistinguishable from wire rod with a diameter of 5.00 mm or more “in any meaningful sense in terms of overall physical characteristics of the merchandise.” According to the DOC, Deacero admitted that the sole physical difference between these two types of wire rod is the 0.25 mm difference in diameter. The DOC’s preliminary analysis indicated that other physical characteristics—such as tensile strength, ductility, and

chemical content (or grade)—do not vary by diameter. Further, the DOC preliminarily determined that the difference in diameter between the two types of wire rod does not alter in any meaningful way the expectations of the ultimate users, the use of the merchandise, or the channels of marketing. Finally, the DOC found that the costs to produce the small-diameter wire rod are not significantly different from the costs to produce subject merchandise.

The DOC noted that its preliminary determination applies only to Deacero because information submitted by Ternium showed that it did not produce or sell small-diameter wire rod.

The effective date of this preliminary determination is June 8, 2011 (the date of initiation of the inquiry). Accordingly, the DOC instructed U.S. Customs and Border Protection to: (a) suspend liquidation of entries of small-diameter wire rod produced and/or exported by Deacero that were made on or after June 8, 2011, and (b) require cash deposits of 20.11 percent (the “All Others” rate) for all unliquidated entries that were made on or after June 8, 2011.

DOC’S FINAL DETERMINATION

OCTOBER 1, 2012

The DOC’s final determination confirmed its preliminary determination that “wire rod with an actual diameter of 4.75 mm to 5.00 mm by Deacero S.A. de C.V. constitutes merchandise altered in form or appearance in such minor respects that it should be included within the scope of the order on wire rod from Mexico.” The DOC also confirmed that this determination applies only to Deacero, and it does not cover Ternium, because Ternium has not shipped wire rod with diameters of 4.75 mm to 5.0 mm.

The effective date of this final determination is June 8, 2011. Thus, wire rod with an actual diameter of 4.75 mm to 5.0 mm produced and/or exported by Deacero and entered into the United States on or after June 8, 2011, will be subject to potential dumping duties. The DOC instructed U.S. Customs and Border Protection to continue to suspend liquidation of entries of such small-diameter wire rod from Deacero and to require cash deposits of 20.11 percent (the “All Others” rate) for all entries that were made on or after June 8, 2011.

DEACERO’S APPEAL OF DOC’S FINAL DETERMINATION

OCTOBER 29, 2012

Subsequent to the DOC’s final determination, Deacero appealed the circumvention determination to the U.S. Court of International Trade (CIT). The DOC’s determination will remain in force during the pendency of the appeal.

CIT’S DECISION AND REMAND TO DOC

SEPTEMBER 30, 2013

On September 30, 2013, the CIT issued its opinion in the appeal. The CIT found that 4.75 mm wire rod was commercially available prior to the issuance of the AD order on Mexico and that the U.S. rod industry could have included it within the scope but did not. Further, the CIT found that diameter is an essential characteristic of the scope and that wire rod with a diameter of 4.75 mm “unambiguously” fell outside the scope of the order, which defines subject merchandise as wire rod with a diameter of 5.00 mm or more but less than

19.00 mm. The CIT characterized the DOC's determination and reasoning as "flawed," "conclusory," "unsupported," and "rigid." The CIT also stated that the U.S. rod industry wanted to rewrite the order "so that it says what they wish it had said at its inception."

Accordingly, the CIT remanded the case to the DOC with instructions to reconsider its original determination that 4.75 mm wire rod circumvents the order. If the DOC continues to conclude on remand that 4.75 mm wire rod is circumventing the order, the CIT ordered that the DOC "must thoroughly explain how the record and relevant law supports that determination" in light of the CIT's decision. The DOC must submit its remand redetermination to the CIT by January 29, 2014, and Deacero and the U.S. rod industry have until February 28, 2014, to submit comments on the DOC's redetermination.

DOC'S FINAL REMAND REDETERMINATION

JANUARY 29, 2014

On December 6, 2013, the DOC released its draft remand redetermination. The DOC initially stated that it "respectfully disagrees with the Court that the fact that 4.75 mm diameter steel wire rod existed in Japan at the time of the antidumping duty investigation of steel wire rod from Mexico indicates that the Department's application of the minor alteration analysis was incorrect." Nevertheless, the DOC revised its analysis and found that Deacero's entries of wire rod with a diameter of 4.75 mm to 5.00 mm do not constitute a minor alteration and do not circumvent the AD order.

Both Deacero and the U.S. industry have submitted comments on the draft redetermination to the DOC. Deacero urged the DOC to finalize its draft redetermination; the U.S. rod industry urged the DOC to explain why its original determination was lawful.

On January 29, 2014, the DOC released its final remand redetermination which incorporated its draft redetermination and found that wire rod with an actual diameter of 4.75 mm to 5.00 mm shipped to the United States by Deacero is outside the scope of the antidumping order on wire rod from Mexico.

DOC'S SECOND FINAL REMAND REDETERMINATION

OCTOBER 20, 2014

The CIT reviewed the DOC's final remand redetermination of January 29, 2014, and it found that a further remand was necessary because the DOC had misinterpreted its decision. The misinterpretation involved a technical point, which the DOC resolved in its second final remand redetermination on October 20, 2014.

The DOC stated that it "continues to respectfully disagree with the Court" but nevertheless confirmed its previous remand redetermination that wire rod with a diameter of 4.75 mm to 5.00 mm shipped to the United States by Deacero is outside the scope of the antidumping order.

CIT'S DECISION**DECEMBER 22, 2014**

The CIT affirmed the DOC's second final remand redetermination of October 20, 2014, and sustained the DOC's determination that wire rod with a diameter of 4.75 mm to 5.00 mm shipped to the United States by Deacero is not subject to antidumping duties.

APPEAL OF CIT DECISION**FEBRUARY 23, 2015**

Following the CIT's decision, the DOC and U.S. producers—ArcelorMittal USA, LLC, Gerdau Ameristeel U.S. Inc., and Nucor Corp.—filed an appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit (Federal Circuit). The appeal is pending with the final round of briefing under way. A three-judge panel will hear oral argument in the case in the winter or next spring, and a decision is not likely until mid-2016. The DOC's determination that wire rod with a diameter of 4.75 mm to 5.00 mm shipped to the United States by Deacero is not subject to antidumping duties will remain in force during the pendency of the appeal.



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MEMORANDUM

TO: Members of the American Wire Producers Association

FROM: Fred Waite, General Counsel
Kim Young, Counsel

RE: Antitrust Compliance

It is the policy of the American Wire Producers Association to comply fully with the antitrust and trade regulation laws of the United States and its political subdivisions and with applicable foreign laws. Accordingly, the Association's officers, directors, committee chairmen, and members, as well as its administrative staff and consultants, have an individual responsibility and obligation always to act in a manner consistent with this policy.

To assist members, staff, and consultants in this regard, the Board of Directors has instructed the Association's General Counsel to continually update guidelines for antitrust compliance. Counsel has prepared an "*Antitrust Compliance Guide*" which describes the most important provisions of the principal antitrust laws and which reviews the legal standards that govern the activities of the Association. The *Antitrust Compliance Guide* has been distributed to all members of the Association, as well as to staff and consultants, via the AWPAs website at <https://www.awpa.org/resources/governance/>.

All questions concerning antitrust compliance should be directed to the Association's General Counsel.

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