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Ms. Lauri Leduc Legislative Coordinator, Office of the City Clerk City Hall, 71 Main Street W. Hamilton ON L8P 4Y5

To the attention of the City Council of Hamilton,

The following is to inform you that on December 22, 2015, the Canadian International Trade Tribunal (CITT) released their decision regarding the Public Interest Inquiry on Concrete Reinforcing Bar (Rebar) Originating in or Exported From The People's Republic Of China, The Republic Of Korea, and The Republic Of Turkey.

Based on the full consideration of facts presented and a comprehensive analysis of all relevant public interest factors, the Tribunal's conclusion was the following: *The Tribunal finds no basis to form the opinion that the imposition of the duties in the full amount would not or might not be in the public interest. As such, the Tribunal concludes that the public interest does not warrant a reduction or elimination of the duties on the subject goods imported for use in British Columbia. In accordance with paragraph 45(4)(a) of SIMA, the Tribunal will not provide a report to the Minister of Finance.* 

The Canadian Steel Producers Association (CSPA) and its member companies welcome the Tribunal's decision. We believe this outcome affirms the importance of a truly national application of Canada's trade remedy laws and protects Canadian manufacturing against unfair trade going forward. In that regard, we would like to sincerely thank you for participating in this process and we look forward to working together in the future on other matters of common concern.

Sincerely,

Joseph Galimberti

President, Canadian Steel Producers Association (CSPA)