

## UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

## Washington, D.C. 20436

May 25, 2016

Charles Steuart, Chief
IPR & Restricted Merchandise Branch
Office of International Trade
Regulation and Rulings
U.S. Customs and Border Protection
90 K Street, N.E.
Washington, D.C. 20229-1177

Re:

Limited exclusion order issued by the U.S. International Trade Commission in Investigation No. 337-TA-933, Certain Stainless Steel Products, Certain Processes for Manufacturing or Relating to Same, and Certain Products Containing Same

## Dear Mr. Steuart:

On May 25, 2016, the United States International Trade Commission issued a limited exclusion order prohibiting Viraj Profiles Limited of Mumbai, India ("Respondent") from importing into the United States stainless steel products manufactured using the misappropriated trade secrets identified in the complaint (see Compl. ¶¶ 27-33, 51 and accompanying exhibits) ("Valbruna Trade Secrets").

The owners of the trade secrets are Valbruna Slater Stainless, Inc. of Fort Wayne, Indiana; Valbruna Stainless Inc., of Fort Wayne, Indiana; and Acciaierie Valbruna S.p.A. of Italy (collectively, "Valbruna"). Gregory J. Spak, Esq., of the law firm White & Case LLP, 701 13th Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20005, 202-626-3600, was counsel for Valbruna in the proceedings before the Commission.

The products in question are believed to be imported under at least HTSUS Numbers 7218.10.00, 7218.91.00, 7218.99.00, 7221.00.00, 7222.11.00, 7222.19.00, 7222.20.00, 7222.30.00, 7222.40.30, 7222.40.60, 7223.00.10, 7223.00.50, 7223.00.90, 7307.11.00, 7307.19.30, 7307.19.90, 7307.21.10, 7307.21.50, 7307.22.10, 7307.22.50, 7307.23.00,

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The Commission's order is in effect for 16.7 years. The list of Valbruna Trade Secrets is confidential and a copy will be provided to you separately as part of the confidential record. We separately transmitted the limited exclusion order to you, along with the Commission record, on the day of its issuance.

Enclosed as Exhibit A is a list of all known importers of the subject articles provided by Valbruna.

Per the limited exclusion order, the covered products are entitled to entry for consumption into the United States, entry for consumption from foreign trade zone, or withdrawal from a warehouse for consumption under bond from the day after this order is received by the United States Trade Representative, pursuant to subsection (j) of section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, and the Presidential Memorandum of July 21, 2005 (70 Fed. Reg. 43251), until such time as the Representative notifies the Commission that he approves or disapproves this action but, in any event, not later than sixty (60) days after the date of receipt of this action. The Commission has set a bond in the amount of 13.4 percent of the entered value of the subject articles.

If you have any questions concerning the limited exclusion order, please feel free to contact Lucy Grace D. Noyola, Esq., at lucy.noyola@usitc.gov, or at 202-205-3438.

Sincerely,

Lisa R. Barton

Secretary to the Commission

## Enclosures

cc: Office of the General Counsel
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