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Dear Ms Cooke

RE: Investigation into the alleged dumping of hot rolled coil steel exported from Japan, The Republic of Korea, Malaysia, and Taiwan

Toyota Motor Corporation Australia Limited ("TMCA") refers to the Australian Customs and Border Protection Service ("Customs") investigation into the alleged dumping of hot rolled coil steel ("HRC") initiated following an application by BlueScope Steel Limited ("BlueScope").

TMCA supports the submissions made by Nippon Steel Corporation ("Nippon") and Toyota Tsusho (Australasia) Pty Ltd ("Toyota Tsusho") to exclude a subset of identifiable grades or qualities of steel, from any dumping duty imposed by the Minister.

TMCA's Steel Sourcing

TMCA's preference is to source steel from local manufacturers whenever possible.

We note that all HRC used in-house for TMCA's manufacturing operations is purchased by Toyota Tsusho from BlueScope. HRC used in-house is a low volume grade of steel for TMCA.

However, BlueScope is unable to satisfy TMCA's requirements for certain grades of HRC, as it does not have Australian produced or manufactured product that is an equivalent to some imported by Toyota Tsusho (Australasia) Pty Ltd for use by TMCA's local component suppliers.

Conclusion

The introduction of a dumping duty on HRC has the potential to impact the costs of TMCA's local component suppliers and therefore may impact TMCA's profitability.

If the Minister imposes a dumping duty at the conclusion of the Customs investigation, TMCA submits that the subset of HRC goods outlined in the submissions of Nippon Steel Corporation and Toyota Tsusho (Australasia) Pty Ltd should be excluded from such duty.

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Yours sincerely
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