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Sent: Tuesday, 31 July 2012 1:17 PM **To:** International Trade Remedies Ops 1

Subject: RE: HRCS - Public Record Version of JFE Questionnaire Response [ME-

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For the Public Record

Dear Mr Bracic

Thank you for your undated letter acknowledging receipt of confidential and non-confidential versions of the exporter questionnaire response submitted on behalf of our client JFE Steel Corporation.

Your observations in relation to the omissions in the response have no relevance to the conclusion of unreliability that you assert concerning the export price material submitted by our client. Your rush to judgement of that primary evidence is incompatible with a considered and objective analysis of all the material available to you on the subject. That material includes evidence gathered by you from participating importers and the ACBP's import data base. If inexplicable inconsistencies between our client's primary evidence and those sources of secondary evidence are observed then legitimate issues of reliability and preference can be explored and determined. Meanwhile our client's primary evidence is a corroborative and usefully detailed input to the process of ascertaining export prices and identifying product features and would not be disregarded peremptorily by a prudent administrator.

We also note your concluding comments on the ways in which you believe our client can participate in the inquiry. As an interested party under s.269T(1) of the Act we believe that the manner and extent of our client's participation is entirely a matter for our client.

Yours sincerely,

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