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COMPLAINT CONCERNING ALLEGED CIRCUMVENTION OF THE ANTI-DUMPING AND ANTI-SUBSIDY MEASURES CONCERNING IMPORTS OF CERTAIN GRAPHITE ELECTRODE SYSTEMS ORIGINATING IN INDIA

The European Commission has notified Member States that an anti-circumvention complaint has been received on behalf of the European Carbon and Graphite Association (ECGA), an association acting on behalf of the Community industry manufacturing graphite electrodes producers. The product concerned is a ceramic-moulded column of graphite used primarily in electric arc furnaces for melting steel. This product is already subject to anti-dumping and countervailing duties. It is likely that Member States will give the go-ahead to the initiation of an anti-subsidy and an anti-dumping anti-circumvention investigations. The two investigations will run in parallel. The notices of initiation, expected to be published within a week or so, will be available in the Official Journal of the European Union available on line at: - www.europa.eu.int or <http://eur-lex.europa.eu/en/index.htm>

Under the basic Regulations, the European Commission may open an anti-circumvention investigation, after consultation of the member States, if it considers there is sufficient evidence to indicate that anti-dumping/countervailing duties are being evaded e.g. through an unusual change in the pattern of trade. The investigation must be completed within fifteen months.

Please note the deadline in the notices of initiation for making your interest known to the European Commission.

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