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From Jesse Goldman (Canada):

Antidumping Practice

The Government of Canada has recently initiated wide-ranging consultations on Canada's trade remedy system. These consultations respond to the Canadian steel industry's concern with the current Canadian legislative framework for trade remedies being ill equipped to deal with significant volumes of imports primarily from China and in contemplation of China [potentially] being treated as a market economy for trade remedy purposes as of the end the 2016. The consultations respond to submissions filed by the Canadian Steel Producers Association during the pre-2016 Canadian federal budget consultations. The changes being considered would harmonize certain aspects of Canada's trade remedy legislation, but not procedures, with amendments made to U.S. trade remedy legislation in 2015. Written submissions were filed by June 29, 2016 and there is the potential for hearings before a Canadian parliamentary committee or sub-committee in the autumn of 2016. There is no fixed deadline for by which any legislative amendments must be made.