

Summary of the Written Application from the Domestic Industry

On April 28, 2025, the Minister of Finance received an application to impose an anti-dumping duty on hot-dipped galvanized steel coil, sheet and strip* (hereinafter referred to as “subject product”) originating in the Republic of Korea (hereinafter referred to as “Korea”) and the People’s Republic of China (excluding the regions of Hong Kong and Macao; hereinafter referred to as “China”) from applicants* (NIPPON STEEL CORPORATION, NIPPON STEEL COATED SHEET CORPORATION, Kobe Steel, Ltd. and Yodogawa Steel Works, Ltd.). The outline of the written application is as follows.

*Note: The collective output of the applicants constitutes more than 50% of the total domestic production.

1. Dumped imports

Compared to the export price from Korea and China to Japan and the normal value**, there is a fact that the subject product was imported at a dumped price because the export price is lower than the normal value. The rate of dumping margin*** of the subject product: 10% to 20% for the subject product exported from Korea, and 30% to 40% for the subject product exported from China.

**Note: Article 8.1, Customs Tariff Law

***Note: Rate of dumping margin (%) = ((Normal Value - Export Price)/Export Price) ×100

2. Material injury, etc. to the domestic industry

a. The import volume of the subject product increased during the period from April 2021 to September 2024; from 203,768 tons to 358,093 tons for the subject product exported from Korea and from 240,711 tons to 304,657 tons for the subject product exported from China. In both cases, the market share in aggregate domestic demand respectively increased in the same period.

b. The domestic sales price of the subject product has been significantly lower than that of the like product in Japan since April 2022 and the domestic producers were forced to lower their prices and prevented from setting their sales prices reflecting the increase in the manufacturing costs.

c. Due to a. and b. above, material injury to the domestic industry has occurred, including a decrease in operating profits.

3. Therefore, the applicants request the imposition of an anti-dumping duty on hot-dipped galvanized steel coil, sheet and strip originating in Korea and China.