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Reference: TQ0077 - definitive safeguarding remedy on category 4 steel products (Metallic coated sheet)
Tariff Rate Quota Review: Commodity Code 7210690080 (Aluminised coated Steel Coil)

Background

Top Tubes Limited [REDACTED]
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Material Sourcing Constraints

The absence of any primary producer of Aluminised steel in the UK [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Change in Circumstances

With the introduction of the revised Safeguarding Quota system, [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] The main limiting factor stems from the fact that Aluminised steel is grouped together with other Metallic coated steels (e.g. Galvanised steel) which comprise a much larger collective consumption in the UK. [REDACTED]
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Issue

It is the position of Top Tubes that the inclusion of Aluminised coated steel coils in the Quota restrictions are not technically appropriate or justifies, mainly for the following reasons:

- There is no UK producer of this material, therefore no local interest to protect
- Aluminised steel cannot feasibly be used as a substitute for Galvanised material, thereby negating the argument that it would create a loophole for importers of Galvanised material. This position is supported by both metallurgical principles and commercial disparities.

Proposed resolution

Exemption of commodity code 7210690080 from the Safeguard Quotas.