

September 27, 2017

The Honorable Wilbur Ross
Secretary
U.S. Department of Commerce
1401 Constitution Avenue NW
Washington, DC 20230

Dear Secretary Ross:

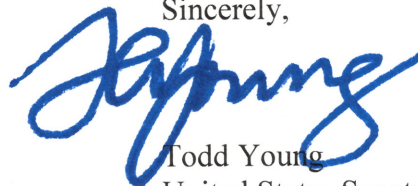
I write concerning the status of the Section 232 investigation regarding the importation of steel. On behalf of Hoosier stakeholders, I urge the administration to provide a clear timeline on the status of this investigation and when affected parties can expect a final report.

Indiana plays a vital role in the domestic industrial base with significant steel production and downstream users of steel products. I applaud the administration's dedication to protect the U.S. manufacturing base from the global overcapacity facing the U.S. steel industry. However, the continued uncertainty facing Hoosier job creators from the pending 232 investigation threatens not only the steel producers throughout Indiana but also the many downstream manufacturers.

On April 20, 2017, the administration announced the 232 investigation with the intent to expeditiously complete the review. Understandably, due to the complex nature of the industry, the administration has taken the time to thoroughly review the facts. I appreciate the administration's dedication to striking the correct balance on this pending investigation. However, I would urge this administration to clearly communicate timelines regarding the completion of this investigation and to issue its final report as expeditiously as possible. Further delay and uncertainty could cause unintended harm to the domestic industries that are awaiting the results of the investigation.

Thank you for your attention to this matter and continued dedication to protect American jobs.

Sincerely,



Todd Young
United States Senator