

Steelworkers Increase the Pressure to Support Jobs & Stop Unfair Trade

Today the International Trade Commission is holding the final hearing to determine the outcome of the coated paper trade case our union filed along with three impacted companies. In support of this case, Rapid Response activists have gotten nearly 40 letters to the editor published, including some in the country's largest papers.

These actions are showing that Americans want fair trade and that we're not going to let China's unfair tactics destroy our jobs. We'll continue to keep you informed when the final decision on the case is announced.

"All we request is a level playing field, which cannot be achieved as long as these subsidies are allowed."

- From a published letter to the editor by Greg Harvey, President of Local 676 in Luke, MD. His job, along with the 670 jobs of his members, are part of the thousands that are directly impacted by the outcome of the coated paper case.

Steelworkers Launch Massive Trade Case on Clean Energy Jobs

When Rapid Response wrote Congress this past summer to urge action on securing current jobs and creating new ones by taking advantage of opportunities in clean energy, we knew that China was already doing this – and that they weren't doing it by the rules.

Now the Steelworkers have launched a trade case to take on the illegal subsidies, discriminatory laws and regulations, restricted access to key materials and other practices that are serving to support their clean energy industries – from wind and solar energy products to advanced batteries to energy-efficient vehicles – while costing us jobs.

The President has to respond to our petition by October 24 with a decision on whether or not to initiate an investigation, so we need to build pressure quickly.

Watch for an ActionCall shortly. **Thanks to all of your work to date, we're making a real difference.**

*Interested in reading more on this new case?
Go to the following website for a summary:
<http://assets.usw.org/releases/misc/section-301.pdf>*