



REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES  
TARIFF COMMISSION

**SUMMARY REPORT OF THE FORMAL INVESTIGATION BY THE TARIFF COMMISSION ON THE IMPOSITION OF SAFEGUARD MEASURE AGAINST IMPORTATIONS OF LIQUEFIED PETROLEUM GAS (LPG) STEEL CYLINDER (AHN 2022 HEADING NO. 73.11) FROM VARIOUS COUNTRIES**

**TCI (SG) No. SG-2023-OC-LPG Steel Cylinder**

In accordance with Section 14 of Republic Act (RA) No. 8800 (*Safeguard Measures Act*), the Tariff Commission (Commission) hereby causes the publication of the summary of its findings and conclusion, as well as the recommendation, on the above-cited investigation, which was concluded on 23 July 2024, the date of transmittal to the Office of the Secretary of Trade and Industry of the Commission's Final Report. The full text of the non-confidential version of said Final Report may be accessed at the Commission's website <https://tariffcommission.gov.ph/>.

**FINDINGS AND CONCLUSION**

In accordance with RA No. 8800, the Commission hereby concludes the following:

1. The combined actual production volumes of petitioner Ferrotech Steel Corporation and FSC Metal Corporation accounted for 92% of total domestic production of LPG steel cylinders, as found by the Department of Trade and Industry in its preliminary determination. Since this 92% share is not only more than the majority of domestic total production but also represents a very high proportion of the same, Ferrotech Steel Corporation and FSC Metal Corporation satisfy the definition of "domestic industry" as required by Section 4(f) of RA No. 8800.
2. Locally produced LPG steel cylinder, of welded type, is a "like product" to imported LPG steel cylinders, of welded type.
3. Locally produced LPG steel cylinder, of welded type, is a "directly competitive product" to imported LPG steel cylinders, of seamless type.
4. LPG steel cylinders were imported into the Philippines in increased quantities relative to domestic production. The increase in the volumes of imports relative to domestic production can be considered recent, sudden, sharp and significant enough.
5. Available industry-wide data on all relevant injury factors are insufficient to make a positive determination on serious injury or threat thereof to the domestic industry.

6. In the absence of a positive determination of serious injury or threat thereof, neither can the causal relationship between increased imports of LPG steel cylinder and serious injury or threat thereof to the domestic industry be established.

## **RECOMMENDATION**


Considering that not all the elements for the imposition of a definitive safeguard duty were met, the Commission hereby concludes its formal investigation and recommends that no definitive general safeguard measure be imposed on importations of the LPG steel cylinders subject of this investigation.

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