US Steel Clairton Explosion: Safety Concerns and Environmental Risks Highlighted

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Synopsis: A recent explosion at US Steel's Clairton Coke Works, caused by a hydraulic

failure, sent two workers to the hospital and temporarily idled one of the plant's battery

systems. While pollution levels didn't exceed federal standards, the event has raised

concerns about safety and environmental impacts.

China's Steel PMI Slumps Again as Winter Lull Deepens Market Woes

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Synopsis: China's Purchasing Managers' Index for the steel industry dropped again in

January, signaling weaker demand, production declines, and lower raw material prices.

The market is expected to remain sluggish through February due to seasonal factors and

ongoing holiday disruptions.

USW President Seeks to Dismiss US Steel & Nippon Steel's Lawsuit Over Blocked

Bid

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Synopsis: US Steel and Nippon Steel filed a lawsuit against United Steelworkers

President David McCall after a \$14.9 billion merger bid for U.S. Steel was blocked by

President Biden. McCall, defending the union's stance, has filed a motion to dismiss,

arguing the suit attacks their First Amendment rights.

Cleveland-Cliffs Pushes for Dismissal of 'Un-American' Lawsuit by US Steel,

Nippon Steel

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Synopsis: Cleveland-Cliffs and its CEO seek to have a lawsuit filed by US Steel and

Nippon Steel dismissed, calling the suit "un-American" and claiming it lacks legal merit.

JFE Steel and JSW Steel Strengthen Alliance with Acquisition of thyssenkrupp **Electrical Steel India**

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Synopsis: On January 30, 2025, JFE Steel Corporation and JSW Steel Limited completed

the acquisition of thyssenkrupp Electrical Steel India Private Limited, marking a

significant step in their joint venture to expand into India's electrical steel market.

Acciaierie d'Italia Plans Steel Rebirth with Production Boost in 2025

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Synopsis: Acciaierie d'Italia aims to ramp up steel production to 3.5 million metric tons in 2025, following the restart of blast furnace No. 2. However, the company faces challenges including ongoing layoffs and an asset sale process, with no bidders showing

interest in the Taranto steel mill.

Women Entrepreneurs Forge Path in Stainless Steel Trade with YFO Trading

Expansion Plans

Updated on: Feb 6, 2025

Synopsis: Selen Sanal and Deniz Boztepe have launched YFO Trading to sell stainless steel products in Northern Cyprus and Europe. The company aims to expand production and services, including welding, bending, and soon laser cutting, with a focus on value-

added products and exports.

GMH Gruppe's Strategic Alliance: Pioneering Sustainable Aluminium Die-Casting

Solutions

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Synopsis: Schmiedewerke Gröditz and Edelstahlwerk Kind & Co. have united under the

GMH Gruppe banner to deliver cutting-edge, high-precision aluminium die-casting

solutions with a focus on sustainability. Their collaboration aims to set new standards

for the automotive industry by combining expertise in large, undivided die-casting tools.

Yukun Iron and Steel Breaks New Ground with 145-mm Slab at Danieli QSP-DUE

Plant

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Synopsis: Yukun Iron and Steel achieves a new milestone by producing 145-mm-thick slabs at its Danieli QSP-DUE plant, marking an unprecedented accomplishment in direct

casting and rolling technology.

Strengthening Ties: India-Japan Steel Dialogue Fosters Innovation & Growth

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Synopsis: The 3rd India-Japan Steel Dialogue, held in New Delhi on February 4, 2025, emphasized enhancing bilateral cooperation in the steel sector. Key discussions included trade, innovation, and technology collaboration, with a focus on Green Steel initiatives and easing business processes for investors.

Liberty Steel's Fate Hangs in Balance as Bankruptcy Trustee Extends Bidding

Deadline

Updated on: Feb 6, 2025

Synopsis: Liberty Steel's bankruptcy trustee has extended the deadline for takeover bids. While multiple potential buyers have shown interest, questions remain about the site's future and the impact on employees.

Liberty Steel Workers Await Critical Offers as Trade Unions Demand Job Security in Luxembourg

Updated on: Feb 6, 2025

Synopsis: Trade unions are expecting concrete offers from three potential buyers for

Liberty Steel within two weeks, as they advocate for a new owner to secure jobs for the

plant's 140 staff members, who have been unpaid since September 2024.

Turkish Steel Producers Set Sights on Africa & South America for Expansive 2025

Growth

Updated on: Feb 6, 2025

Synopsis: In 2025, Turkish steel producers will target new markets in Africa and South

America, with a focus on Northern and West Africa, and South America. Steel exports

are expected to increase by 5%, with key growth in countries like Italy, Romania, and

Israel.

Steel Frames & Solar Roofs: Pioneering the Future of Housing in Wales

Updated on: Feb 6, 2025

Synopsis: A new housing development in Llanelli will feature steel frames and innovative

roofing systems, including integrated solar panels, as it embraces modern construction

methods and sustainability.

Steelworkers Demand EU Action Amid Declining Sector Depicted in New Film

Updated on: Feb 6, 2025

Synopsis: Thousands of steelworkers protested in Brussels, urging the EU to help the

struggling European steel industry. A new documentary highlights the painful history and

current challenges of the sector.

Engineers Innovate Non-Contact Rail Stress Monitoring to Revolutionize Railway

Safety

Updated on: Feb 6, 2025

Synopsis: Kansas State University engineers are pioneering a non-contact technology for

monitoring rail stress in railroad tracks, aiming to enhance safety and prevent

derailments caused by stress-related issues.

Thailand Launches Sunset Review on Anti-Dumping Duties for Chinese, Taiwanese,

& Vietnamese CRC Imports

Updated on: Feb 6, 2025

Synopsis: Thailand's Department of Foreign Trade is reviewing anti-dumping duties on

cold-rolled coil imports from China, Taiwan, and Vietnam, which have been in place for

over a decade. The review will decide if these duties should continue or be terminated.

Steel Trade Turmoil: Canada's Anti-Dumping Duty on Bulgarian Rebar Hits Ukraine's

Exports

Updated on: Feb 6, 2025

Synopsis: A new anti-dumping duty on Bulgarian rebar in Canada, based on its

production from Ukrainian billet, could reduce Ukraine's steel exports by up to 80,000

metric tons, highlighting ongoing trade challenges in the steel industry.

US Rescinds Anti-Dumping Duty Review on OCTG Imports from China Amid Lack of

Entries

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Synopsis: The US Department of Commerce has rescinded the review of anti-dumping

duties on oil country tubular goods from China, as there were no relevant product

entries during the review period.

US Initiates Five-Year Review on Anti-Dumping Duty for Steel Threaded Rods from

China

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Synopsis: The US has launched a five-year review to evaluate the impact of lifting antidumping duties on steel threaded rods imported from China. Responses and comments are due by March and April 2025.

<u>USITC Launches Expedited Review on Anti-Dumping Duties for Chinese Steel Pipes</u>

Updated on: Feb 6, 2025

Synopsis: On January 28, 2025, the US International Trade Commission announced expedited reviews of anti-dumping and countervailing duties on circular welded carbon quality steel line pipes from China. The review will assess if lifting these duties could harm the US industry.