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Steel Exports Increase in January But Remain Below 2012 Levels

Falls Church, VA, March 12, 2013 – Steel exports increased in January 2013 compared to December 2012 by 11.2 percent according to US Government data. "Exports increased in January compared to December on the strength of exports to our NAFTA partners in January while exports to all other regions declined on a month to month basis as international demand and prices softened in many international markets," said David Phelps, president AIIS.

Exports in January 2013 compared to January 2012 declined by 14.6 percent. "Steel exports declined to all regions in the year-to-year comparison as international economic conditions and steel-related demand sagged. We are concerned about the direction of the international marketplace at this point," concluded Phelps.

Total Steel exports in January 2013 were 1.077 million tons compared to 1.262 million tons in January 2012, a 14.6 percent decrease, and an 11.2 percent increase compared to December 2012.

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Steel Export Analysis

(net tons)

U.S. Exports of Steel					
	January	Decembe	Percent	January	Percent
	<u>2013</u>	<u>Decembe</u> <u>r 2012</u>	<u>Change</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>Change</u>
Total	1,077,346	968,990	11.2%	1,262,113	-14.6%
Canada	575,623	493,682	16.6%	662,553	-13.1%
Mexico	344,261	256,976	34.0%	366,319	-6.0%

EU	27,372	31,049	-11.8%	39,520	-30.7%
Russia	855	324	163.9%	894	-4.4%
Turkey	1,317	1,593	-17.3%	2,075	-36.5%
Brazil	3,633	34,399	-89.4%	12,594	-71.2%
Venezuela	1,014	2,079	-51.2%	8,967	-88.7%
Ecuador	402	923	-56.4%	1,793	-77.6%
Argentina	181	376	-51.9%	682	-73.5%
Colombia	7,501	10,331	-27.4%	14,548	-48.4%
Trinidad and	942	1,166	-19.2%	1,325	-28.9%
Tobago				,	
Peru	2,070	6,113	-66.1%	1,588	30.4%
Chile	1,941	4,075	-52.4%	3,153	-38.4%
Dominican	1,529	21,667	-92.9%	17,505	-91.3%
Republic					
Panama	40,795	22,610	80.4%	10,615	284.3%
Other Western	14,399	21,527	-33.1%	27,177	-47.0%
Hemishpere					
Africa	4,948	8,278	-40.2%	9,859	-49.8%
Australia	1,660	2,805	-40.8%	4,245	-60.9%
China	7,211	8,383	-14.0%	9,256	-22.1%
Korea	4,992	3,814	30.9%	4,524	10.3%
India	6,430	9,966	-35.5%	6,919	-7.1%
UAE	3,440	3,305	4.1%	3,461	-0.6%
Pakistan	3,020	3,442	-12.3%	2,216	36.3%
Singapore	1,237	2,374	-47.9%	2,207	-44.0%
Vietnam	1,998	554	260.6%	310	544.5%
Japan	1,573	1,607	-2.1%	1,799	-12.6%
Taiwan	3,235	1,720	88.1%	19,104	-83.1%
Other Asia	13,007	12,747	2.0%	25,788	-49.6%
Others	760	1,105	-31.2%	1,117	-32.0%
Analysis	YTD 2013	YTD 2012	Percent		
			Change		
Total Exports	1,077,346	1,262,113	-14.6%		
NAFTA	919,884	1,028,872	-10.6%		
non-NAFTA	74,407	99,947	-25.6%		
Western					
Hemishpere					
EU	27,372	39,520	-30.7%		
Africa	4,948	9,859	-49.8%		
Total Asia	46,143	75,584	-39.0%		