

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20580

Office of the Secretary

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Re: Consummated Acquisition of Griffin Pipe Products Co. by U.S. Pipe and Foundry Co., LLC, File No. 141 0090

Dear Mr. Mutchnik:

The Federal Trade Commission's Bureau of Competition has been conducting a nonpublic investigation to determine whether the consummated acquisition of Griffin Pipe Products Co. by U.S. Pipe Holdings, Inc., is in violation of Section 5 of the Federal Trade Commission Act, 15 U.S.C. § 45, as amended; to determine whether the aforesaid acquisition is in violation of Section 7 of the Clayton Act, 15 U.S.C. § 18, as amended, or Section 5 of the Federal Trade Federal Trade Commission Act, 15 U.S.C. § 45, as amended; and to determine whether the requirements of Section 7A of the Clayton Act, 15 U.S.C. § 18a, have been or will be fulfilled with respect to said transaction.

Upon further review of this matter, it now appears that no further action is warranted by the Commission at this time. Accordingly, the investigation has been closed. This action is not to be construed as a determination that a violation may not have occurred, just as the pendency of an investigation should not be construed as a determination that a violation that a violation has occurred. The Commission reserves the right to take such further action as the public interest may require.

By direction of the Commission.

Donald S. Clark Secretary