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To: MBSA, SAFCEC, ASAQS, CESA, SAIA, APM, SAICE

Cc: Members

Re: Shortage of Reinforced Steel

We are receiving reports from our members countrywide that there is a shortage of reinforcing steel.

Some members have advised that their February requirements will not be available until next month.

This goes hand in hand with notification that the price of steel will increase in February and March 2011.

Also to be borne in mind is the fact that CISCO has shut down operations and is no longer producing thereby requiring other producers to fill the void left by this closure. Cisco provided between 20 and 25 per cent of reinforcing steel to the industry.

Yours faithfully,

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