INTERNATIONAL WROUGHT COPPER COUNCIL

INFORMATION EXCHANGE POLICY

Data supplied by individual companies

In the case of statistics relating to production or deliveries (both domestic and export) or capacity or capacity utilisation in the EU-27 plus the United Kingdom where data are obtained from companies within the IWCC’s membership and from non-members of the IWCC and collated for publication to the industry, no statistical information shall be disclosed to members or to any Groups or Committees that are constructed in such a way that recent or forecast data relating to an individual company are shown or are capable of calculation or derivation.

Where there is a risk of such disclosure, in particular where there are fewer than three manufacturers of a particular product line in any one country or group of countries, the IWCC shall take steps to aggregate data in such a way as to eliminate such risk.

Publicly available data

Where the relevant data are supplied voluntarily by a company to any organisation other than an association of which that company is a member (including the IWCC) and are placed in the public domain by that organisation (whether or not through sale or subscription) the IWCC may use such data. It shall not be necessary to aggregate such published data to eliminate the risk of disclosure by calculation or by derivation of any company-specific data, so long as it is clear that such data have not been derived by means of any agreement or understanding or commitment between the IWCC and its members to disclose such information.

For the avoidance of doubt, information on past, present and future capacity may be disclosed to the extent that the data is generally made available in the public domain.

Period of Non-Disclosure

Notwithstanding the above, when a period of twelve months has elapsed after the end of the period to which the data refers, the data shall be considered as historical and may be disclosed by IWCC to its members on a non-aggregated basis. Accordingly, data aggregated to meet the purpose of non-disclosure of company-specific information may be disaggregated by the IWCC after twelve months, unless the company or companies concerned requests otherwise.

International trade data

Where data are obtained from official, public sources, such as international trade data published by regional and national statistical authorities, there shall be no restrictions on its use by the IWCC and disclosure onwards by IWCC.

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