

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

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Kosei Shindo President NIPPON STEEL & SUMITOMO METAL CORP 6-1, Marunouchi 2-chome, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo, 100-8071, Japan

> Re: NIPPON STEEL & SUMITOMO METAL CORP Draft Registration Statement on Form F-4 Submitted July 9, 2018 CIK No. 1140471

Dear Mr. Shindo:

We have reviewed your draft registration statement and have the following comments. In some of our comments, we may ask you to provide us with information so we may better understand your disclosure.

Please respond to this letter by providing the requested information and either submitting an amended draft registration statement or publicly filing your registration statement on EDGAR. If you do not believe our comments apply to your facts and circumstances or do not believe an amendment is appropriate, please tell us why in your response.

After reviewing the information you provide in response to these comments and your amended draft registration statement or filed registration statement, we may have additional comments.

<u>Draft Registration Statement on Form F-4 Submitted July 9, 2018</u>

Prospectus Cover Page, page i

1. Please revise to state that Nippon Steel & Sumitomo Metal Corporation currently holds 51% of the outstanding stock of Nisshin Steel. Please also discuss how Nippon Steel & Sumitomo Metal Corporation's ownership of 51% of the outstanding stock of Nisshin Steel impacts the shareholder approval process. In this regard, we note that Nippon Steel & Sumitomo Metal Corporation appears to hold the shareholder votes necessary to approve the transaction.

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2. We note your disclosure on page 29, "Subsequently, our management team and the management team of Nisshin Steel had extensive discussions to negotiate matters concerning the Share Exchange, including the share exchange ratio, the structure of the Share Exchange, the schedule of the Share Exchange, as well as Nisshin Steel's post-transaction business strategy." Please expand your disclosure to discuss the material negotiations that took place regarding the share exchange ratio and the structure of the Share Exchange.

The Share Exchange

Valuation report of Nisshin Steel's Financial Advisor, page 32

3. We note the limitation on reliance "...it is not intended that any shareholders of [Nisshin Steel]...rely on this Document in any way," appearing in the Valuation Report and the descriptions thereof in the prospectus. Please revise to remove any implication that the shareholders are not entitled to rely on the Valuation Report or advise us of the basis for including the language.

Our Business

Legal Proceedings, page 52

4. Please expand the disclosure for your litigation and legal proceedings to include an assessment of materiality to your liquidity in addition to your results of operations and financial condition. To the extent that your litigation and legal proceedings are expected to have a material impact to your liquidity, individually or in the aggregate, and the possibility of any outflow in settlement is other than remote, please provide the disclosures required by IAS 37.86 in your audited footnotes. As part of your response, please confirm to us that you have concluded that any material outflow in settlement for your environmental liabilities is remote.

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5. Please remove the reference to a schedule, as it appears no schedule has been provided per page II-2 and is not referenced in KPMG AZSA LLC's report on page F-2.

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6. Please provide a description of the material terms of your long-term borrowings. To the extent that you have entered into arrangements that provide you with liquidity such as a line of credit with material borrowing availability, please disclose the material terms of those arrangements. Please refer to Note 31(4)(c) on page F-60.

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You may contact Tracy Houser (Staff Accountant) at 202-551-3736 or Terence O'Brien (Accounting Branch Chief) at 202-551-3355 if you have questions regarding comments on the financial statements and related matters. Please contact Frank Pigott (Staff Attorney) at 202-551-3570 or Jay Ingram (Legal Branch Chief) at 202-551-3397 with any other questions.

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