

July 13, 2004

Dear Valued Customers:

Effective with shipments August 1, 2004, the applicable Raw Materials Surcharge for merchant & structural products is \$123/net ton or \$6.15/cwt. The surcharge for special bar quality products is \$180/net ton or 9.00/cwt.

Product	Published Index (AMM)	Consumer Buying Price (Chicago)	Program Baseline	August Monthly Surcharge/ton
Rebar, merchant structural	Shredded Auto Scrap	\$285	\$162	\$123
SBQ	#1 Busheling	\$350	\$170	\$180

In addition to the new Raw Materials Surcharge taking effect on August 1st we will also be adjusting our base pricing for merchants & structural products downward by \$30/net ton or \$1.50/cwt. In regards to special bar quality products, our base pricing will not change.

Here is a pricing example as a result of this announcement:

2 x 2 x ¼	7/1/04 Published Price	\$23.05/cwt
	July Raw Material Surcharge	\$1.65/cwt
	FOB Mill Price	\$24.70/cwt
2 x 2 x ¼	8/1/04 Published Price	\$21.55/cwt
	August Raw Material Surcharge	\$ 6.15/cwt
	FOB Mill Price	\$27.70/cwt

In effect, our transactional selling price for merchants and structural will increase \$60/net ton from our July pricing, while our transactional selling pricing for special bar quality products will increase \$100/net ton.

Looking forward, we expect continued volatility in the pricing of raw materials. Consequently our Raw Materials Surcharge mechanism will remain in place.

We will continue to monitor the global marketplace & will respond accordingly by making adjustments to our base pricing in order to assure that we can continue to supply you with a quality product that is competitively priced & delivered on time.

If you have any questions please contact your **NUCOR** -Nebraska representative at 1-800-228-8174.

As always, we highly value your business and appreciate your support & cooperation during these unprecedented times.

Sincerely,

NUCOR -NE
 Sales Manager