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Dear Ian

PD 6635 - Non-alloy steel rod for drawing and/or cold rolling

As you may be aware, BSi has issued a "Published Document" with the above title.

You will no doubt recall the background to this document. Following the publication in 1995 of the European Standard for Wire Rod (BS:EN10016, Parts 1 - 4), it was widely felt that the standard did not fulfil the requirements of the UK wiredrawing industry, particularly in respect of surface quality (maximum defect depths), the facility to order high carbon steel to tensile strength ranges, and one or two other parameters. Under the auspices of UK Steel, a Working Group, representing both the wiredrawing and rod rolling sectors, was set up to address these issues. The end result, after numerous discussions and drafts, is PD6635. Please accept the enclosed complimentary copy.

The obvious intention now is that PD6635 should be widely used, and should replace - over a period of time - customer in-house specifications. During the course of the next few weeks, the Customer Technical Support team and I will be in contact with you to offer assistance and advice on any aspects of this transition process where you may envisage difficulty.

In the interests of economy (PD6635 costs £18 per copy - no discounts, not even for British Steel !!), you are the only recipient of this letter within your company. I should be grateful if you would make its contents known to those of your colleagues who need to be aware.

If you have any questions or comments in the meantime, I will be pleased to try to answer them.

Many thanks for your co-operation.

Yours sincerely

J. H. BODDY

**Non-alloy steel rod for drawing
and/or cold rolling — General
purpose rod, rimmed and
rimmed substitute low carbon
steel rod, rod for special
applications — Requirements
and tests**

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