U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[B–45–2015]

Foreign-Trade Zone (FTZ) 277—Western Maricopa County, Arizona; Notification of Proposed Production Activity; The Cookson Company, Inc. (Rolling Steel Doors); Goodyear, Arizona

The Cookson Company, Inc. (Cookson) submitted a notification of proposed production activity to the FTZ Board for its facility in Goodyear, Arizona within FTZ 277. The notification conforming to the requirements of the regulations of the FTZ Board (15 CFR 400.22) was received on July 13, 2015.

The Cookson facility is located within Site 11 of FTZ 277. The facility is used for the assembly and production of rolling steel doors. Pursuant to 15 CFR 400.14(b), FTZ activity would be limited to the specific foreign-status materials and components and specific finished products described in the submitted notification (as described below) and subsequently authorized by the FTZ Board.

Production under FTZ procedures could exempt Cookson from customs duty payments on the foreign status components used in export production. On its domestic sales, Cookson would be able to choose the duty rates during customs entry procedures that apply to rolling steel doors (duty-free) for the foreign status inputs noted below. Customs duties also could possibly be deferred or reduced on foreign status production equipment.

The components and materials sourced from abroad include: hand and roller steel chains; limit switches; single-phase AC electric motors/gear motors; multi-phase AC electric motors/gear motors; steel crank; motor overload protectors; mounted and unmounted timers for door closure assemblies; power boards; transformers (40VA or greater); electro-mechanical alarm interfaces; fire door testing releases and converter mechanisms; steel door limits; contacts; battery backups; and, steel bolts (duty rate ranges from duty-free to 6.6%).

Public comment is invited from interested parties. Submissions shall be addressed to the Board’s Executive Secretary at the address below. The closing period for their receipt is August 31, 2015.

A copy of the notification will be available for public inspection at the Office of the Executive Secretary, Foreign-Trade Zones Board, Room 21013, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20230–0002, and in the “Reading Room” section of the Board’s Web site, which is accessible via www.trade.gov/ftz.

For further information, contact Elizabeth Whiteman at Elizabeth.Whiteman@trade.gov or (202) 482–0473.

Dated: July 15, 2015.
Andrew McGilvray,
Executive Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[A–549–821]

Polyethylene Retail Carrier Bags From Thailand: Notice of Initiation and Preliminary Results of Antidumping Duty Changed Circumstances Review

AGENCY: Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce (the Department) preliminarily determines that TPBI Public Company Limited (TPBI) is the successor-in-interest to Thai Plastic Bags Industries Company Limited (Thai Plastic Bags) for purposes of the antidumping duty order on polyethylene retail carrier bags (PRCBs) from Thailand and, as such, will be entitled to Thai Plastic Bags’s exclusion from the antidumping duty order. We invite interested parties to comment on these preliminary results.

DATES: Effective: July 20, 2015.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Thomas Schauer, AD/CVD Operations, Office I, Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482–0410.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On June 18, 2004, the Department published the Order on PRCBs from Thailand.1 On August 12, 2010, the Department revoked the Order on PRCBs from Thailand with respect to PRCBs manufactured and exported by Thai Plastic Bags as the result of a section 129 proceeding.2

On June 4, 2015, TPBI requested that the Department initiate an expedited changed circumstances review to confirm that TPBI is the successor-in-interest to Thai Plastic Bags for purposes of determining antidumping duty liabilities.3 The petitioner supports TPBI’s request for this changed circumstances review.4 We received no comments opposing TPBI’s request.

Scope of the Order

The merchandise subject to the order includes PRCBs from the Thailand. PRCBs are currently classifiable under Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS) subheading 3923.21.0085. Although the HTSUS subheadings are provided for convenience and customs purposes, the written product description is dispositive.5

Methodology

In making a successor-in-interest determination, the Department typically examines several factors including, but not limited to, changes in: (1) Management; (2) production facilities; (3) supplier relationships; and (4) customer base.6 While no single factor or combination of factors will necessarily be dispositive, the Department generally will consider the new company to be the successor to the predecessor if the resulting operations of the successor are essentially the same as those of its predecessor.7 Thus, if the

1 See Notice of Final Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value: Polyethylene Retail Carrier Bags from Thailand, 69 FR 34122 (June 18, 2004) (Order).
2 See Notice of Implementation of Determination Under Section 129 of the Uruguay Round Agreements Act and Partial Revocation of the Antidumping Duty Order on Polyethylene Retail Carrier Bags from Thailand, 75 FR 48940 (August 12, 2010).
3 See Letter from TPBI to the Department, “Polyethylene Retail Carrier Bags (PRCBs) from Thailand: Request for Expedited Changed Circumstances Review” (June 4, 2015) (CCR Request).
4 Id., at Exhibit 9.
5 For a complete description of the Scope of the Order, see Memorandum to Paul Piquado, Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance, from Christian Marsh, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Operations, entitled “Antidumping Duty Order on Polyethylene Retail Carrier Bags from Thailand: Decision Memorandum for the Initiation and Preliminary Results of Antidumping Duty Changed Circumstances Review Requested by TPBI Public Company Limited” dated concurrently with this notice (Preliminary Decision Memorandum).
7 See, e.g., Notice of Initiation of Antidumping Duty Changed Circumstances Review: Certain Forged Stainless Steel Flanges from India, 71 FR 327 (January 4, 2006).
record demonstrates that, with respect to the production and sale of the subject merchandise, the new company operates as the same business entity as the predecessor company. For a full description of the methodology underlying our conclusions, see the Preliminary Decision Memorandum. A list of topics discussed in the Preliminary Decision Memorandum is included as Appendix I of this notice.

Initiation and Preliminary Results of the Changed Circumstances Review

Pursuant to section 751(b)(1) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.216(d), the Department will conduct a changed circumstances review (CCR) upon receipt of a request from an interested party or receipt of information concerning an antidumping duty order which shows changed circumstances sufficient to warrant a review of the order. Section 351.221(c)(3)(ii) of the Department’s regulations permits the Department to combine the initiation and preliminary results of a CCR if the Department concludes that expedited action is warranted. In this instance, we have information on the record necessary to reach the preliminary results of CCR. As such, we find that expedited action is warranted. Accordingly, we have combined the preliminary results with the initiation. We preliminarily determine that TPBI is the successor-in-interest to Thai Plastic Bags for the purposes of administering the Order and its revocation with respect to Thai Plastic Bags. The Preliminary Decision Memorandum provides a full description of the analysis underlying our conclusions.

Public Comment

Interested parties may submit case briefs no later than 30 days after the date of publication of this notice. Rebuttal briefs, limited to issues raised in the case briefs, may be filed not later than five days after the date for filing case briefs. Parties who submit case briefs or rebuttal briefs in this proceeding are encouraged to submit with each argument: (1) A statement of the issue; (2) a brief summary of the argument; and (3) a table of authorities. Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.310(c), interested parties who wish to request a hearing, or to participate if one is requested, must submit a written request to the Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance, U.S. Department of Commerce. All documents must be filed electronically using Enforcement and Compliance’s Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Centralized Electronic Service System (ACCESS). An electronically-filed request must be received successfully in its entirety by ACCESS by 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time, within 30 days after the date of publication of this notice. Requests should contain: (1) The party’s name, address, and telephone number; (2) the number of participants; and (3) a list of issues to be discussed. Issues raised in the hearing will be limited to those raised in the respective case briefs.

In accordance with 19 CFR 351.216(e), the Department intends to issue the final results of this changed circumstances review no later than 270 days after the date on which the review is initiated, or within 45 days if all parties agree to our preliminary finding.

Notification to Interested Parties

This notice is issued and published in accordance with sections 751(b) and 777(i)(1) of the Act, and 19 CFR 351.216 and 351.221(c)(3)(ii).

Dated: July 14, 2015.

Paul Piquado,
Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance.

Appendix I

List of Topics Discussed in the Preliminary Decision Memorandum

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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Fisheries of the South Atlantic; Southeast Data, Assessment and Review (SEDAR); Public Meetings

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of SEDAR 41 Data Workshop II for South Atlantic red snapper and gray triggerfish.

SUMMARY: The SEDAR 41 assessments of the South Atlantic stocks of red snapper (Lutjanus campechanus) and gray triggerfish (Balistes capris) will consist of: Data Workshops; an Assessment Workshop; and a Review Workshop. See SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION.

DATES: The SEDAR 41 Data Workshop II will be held on August 4, 2015, from 8:30 a.m. until 6 p.m.; August 5, 2015, from 8 a.m. until 6 p.m.; and August 6, 2015, from 8 a.m. until 1 p.m. The established times may be adjusted as necessary to accommodate the timely completion of discussion relevant to the assessment process. Such adjustments may result in the meeting being extended from, or completed prior to the time established by this notice. The Assessment Workshop and Review Workshop dates and times will publish in a subsequent issue in the Federal Register. See SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION.

ADDRESSES: The SEDAR 41 Data Workshop will be held at the Charleston Marriott, 170 Lockwood Boulevard, Charleston, SC 29403; phone: (843) 732–3000.

SEDAR address: 4055 Faber Place Drive, Suite 201, North Charleston, SC 29405.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Julia Byrd, SEDAR Coordinator; phone: (843) 571–4366; email: julia.byrd@safmc.net.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Gulf of Mexico, South Atlantic, and Caribbean Fishery Management Councils, in conjunction with NOAA Fisheries and the Atlantic and Gulf States Marine Fisheries Commissions have implemented the Southeast Data, Assessment and Review (SEDAR) process, a multi-step method for determining the status of fish stocks in the Southeast Region. SEDAR is a three step process including: (1) Data Workshop(s); (2) Assessment Process utilizing workshops and webinars; and

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