Public Input: All Committee meetings are open to the public. Interested members of the public should RSVP to Lisa Lacitiva by 1 week in advance via email, at ncwcwsc@usgs.gov, in order to receive phone line information and secure a line (space will be limited).

Written comments should be submitted, prior to, during, or after the meeting, to Mr. Robin O’Malley, Designated Federal Officer, by U.S. Mail to: Mr. Robin O’Malley, Designated Federal Officer, U.S. Geological Survey, 12201 Sunrise Valley Drive, Mail Stop 400, Reston, VA 20192, or via email, at romalley@usgs.gov.

Persons with disabilities requiring special accommodations, such as closed captioning services, should contact Mr. O’Malley at (703) 648–4086 at least seven calendar days prior to the meeting. We will do our best to accommodate those who are unable to meet this deadline.

Robin O’Malley, Designated Federal Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
Bureau of Ocean Energy Management
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Central Gulf of Mexico Planning Area (CPA) Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) Oil and Gas Lease Sale 235 (CPA Sale 235); Correction

AGENCY: Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM), Interior.

ACTION: Notice; correction.

SUMMARY: On February 6, 2015, BOEM published in the Federal Register the Final Notice of Sale (FNOS) for CPA Sale 235 (80 FR 6758). The FNOS refers to documents entitled “List of Blocks Available for Leasing” and “Unleased Split Blocks.” The referenced list and map were included in the FNOS Package, and the FNOS Package was made available at the BOEM address and Web site set forth in the FNOS. The list and map identifies blocks to be offered in CPA Sale 235; however, due to a clerical error, one block, South Marsh Island Area, North Addition, Block Number 242, was inadvertently omitted from the list and map.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Robert Samuels, Leasing Division Chief, robert.samuels@boem.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In the Federal Register of February 6, 2015, in FR Doc. 2015–02273, on page 6759, the documents entitled “List of Blocks Available for Leasing” and “Unleased Split Blocks” are referenced. These documents have been corrected to include the information below, which has been inserted between the entries “South Marsh Island Area, North Addition, Block Number 241.” and “South Marsh Island Area, North Addition, Block Number 243.”

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Map/Official Protraction Diagram (OPD)

Name
South Marsh Island Area, North Addition

Map/OPD Number
LA3D
Block Number
242
A/P
P

Available Federal Acreage
3,068.219971
Minimum Bid Per Acre
$25.00

Lease Term
5

Minimum Bid Per Block
$76,725

Rent Per Acre
$7.00

Bid System
R520

Stipulation(s)
8

The corrected “List of Blocks Available for Leasing” is available at the BOEM address and Web site set forth in the FNOS.

Dated: February 18, 2015.

Abigail Ross Hopper,
Director, Bureau of Ocean Energy Management.

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INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

[Investigation Nos. 701–TA–522 and 731–TA–1258 (Final)]

Certain Passenger Vehicle and Light Truck Tires From China; Scheduling of the Final Phase of Countervailing Duty and Antidumping Duty Investigations


ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Commission hereby gives notice of the scheduling of the final phase of antidumping and countervailing duty investigations Nos. 701–TA–522 and 731–TA–1258 (Final) under sections 705(b) and 731(b) of the Tariff Act of 1930 (19 U.S.C. 1671d(b) and 1673d(b)) (the Act) to determine whether an industry in the United States is materially injured or threatened with material injury, or the establishment of an industry in the United States is materially retarded, by reason of subsidized and less-than-fair-value imports from China of certain passenger vehicle and light truck tires, provided for in subheadings 4011.10.10, 4011.10.50, 4011.20.10, and 4011.20.50. Tires meeting the scope description may also enter under subheadings 4011.99.45, 4011.99.85, 8708.70.45, and 8708.70.60.1

1 For purposes of these investigations, the Department of Commerce has defined the subject merchandise as: (1) passenger vehicle and light truck tires. Passenger vehicle and light truck tires are new pneumatic tires, of rubber, with a passenger vehicle or light truck size designation. Tires covered by this investigation may be tube-type, tubeless, radial, or non-radial, and they may be intended for sale to original equipment manufacturers or the replacement market. Subject tires have, at the time of importation, the symbol “DOT” on the sidewall, certifying that the tire conforms to applicable motor vehicle safety standards. Subject tires may also have the following prefixes or suffix in their tire size designation, which also appears on the sidewall of the tire: Prefix designations:
P—Identifies a tire intended primarily for service on passenger cars
LT—Identifies a tire intended primarily for service on light trucks

Suffix letter designations:
LT—Identifies light truck tires for service on trucks, buses, trailers, and multipurpose passenger vehicles used in nominal highway service.

All tires with a “P” or “LT” prefix, and all tires with an “LT” suffix in their sidewall markings are covered by this investigation regardless of their intended use.

In addition, all tires that lack a “P” or “LT” prefix or suffix in their sidewall markings, as well as all tires that include any other prefix or suffix in their sidewall markings, are included in the scope, regardless of their intended use, as long as the tire is of a size that is among the numerical size designations listed in the passenger car section or light truck section of the Tire and Rim Association Year Book, as updated annually, unless the tire falls within one of the specific exclusions set out below. Passenger vehicle and light truck tires, whether or not attached to wheels or rims, are included in the scope. However, if a subject tire is imported attached to a wheel or rim, only the tire is covered by the scope. Specifically excluded from the scope of this investigation are the following types of tires: (1) Racing car tires; such tires do not bear the symbol “DOT” on the sidewall and may be marked with “ZR” in size designation; (2) new pneumatic tires, of rubber, of a size that is not listed in the passenger car section or light truck section of the Tire and Rim Association Year Book;

(3) pneumatic tires, of rubber, that are not new, including recycled and retreaded tires;

(4) non-pneumatic tires, such as solid rubber tires;

(5) tires designed and marketed exclusively as temporary use spare tires for passenger vehicles which, in addition, exhibit each of the following physical characteristics: (a) the size designation and load index combination molded on the tire’s sidewall are listed in Table PCT–10 (“P” Type Spare Tires for
For further information concerning the conduct of this phase of the investigations, hearing procedures, and rules of general application, consult the Commission’s Rules of Practice and Procedure, part 201, subparts A through E (19 CFR part 201), and part 207, subparts A and C (19 CFR part 207).

DATES: Effective: Tuesday, January 27, 2015.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Justin Enck (202–205–3363), Office of

Temporary Use on Passenger Vehicles) of the Tire and Rim Association Year Book.

(b) the designation “T” is molded into the tire’s sidewall as part of the size designation, and,

(c) the tire’s speed rating is molded on the sidewall, indicating the rated speed in MPH or a letter rating as listed by Tire and Rim Association Year Book, and the rated speed is 61 MPH or a “M” rating;

(d) tires designed and marketed exclusively for specialty tire (ST) use which, in addition, exhibit each of the following physical characteristics (The Department of Commerce is currently suspending requirements (d)(d) and (e); therefore, tires entered, or withdrawn from warehouse for consumption that meet requirements (d)(a)–(c) are excluded from the scope of this investigation):

(a) the size designation molded on the tire’s sidewall is listed in the ST sections of the Tire and Rim Association Year Book,

(b) the designation “ST” is molded into the tire’s sidewall as part of the size designation,

(c) the tire incorporates a warning, prominently molded on the sidewall, that the tire is “For Trailer Service Only” or “For Trailer Use Only”,

(d) the load index molded on the tire’s sidewall meets or exceeds those load indexes listed in the Tire and Rim Association Year Book for the relevant ST tire size, and,

(e) the tire’s speed rating is molded on the sidewall, indicating the rated speed in MPH or a letter rating as listed by TRA, and the speed does not exceed 81 MPH or an “M” rating;

(f) tires designed and marketed exclusively for off-road use and which, in addition, exhibit each of the following physical characteristics:

(a) the size designation and load index combination marked on the tire’s sidewall are listed in the off-the-road, agricultural, industrial or ATV section of the Tire and Rim Association Year Book,

(b) in addition to any size designation markings, the tire incorporates a warning, prominently molded on the sidewall, that the tire is “Not For Highway Service” or “Not for Highway Use”,

(c) the tire’s speed rating is molded on the sidewall, indicating the rated speed in MPH or a letter rating as listed by the Tire and Rim Association Year Book, and the rated speed does not exceed 55 MPH or a “C” rating, and

(d) the tire features a recognizable off-road tread design.

The products covered by the investigation are currently classified under the following Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS) subheadings: 4011.10.10, 4011.10.20, 4011.10.30, 4011.10.40, 4011.10.50, 4011.10.60, 4011.10.70, 4011.10.30, 4011.20.05, and 4011.20.50.10. Tires meeting the scope description may also enter under the following HTSUS subheadings:

4011.99.45.10, 4011.99.45.50, 4011.99.85.10, 4011.99.85.50, 8708.70.45.45, 8708.70.45.60, 8708.70.50.45, 8708.70.50.60. While HTSUS subheadings are provided for convenience and for customs purposes, the written description of the subject merchandise is dispositive."


General information concerning the Commission may also be obtained by accessing its internet server (http://www.usitc.gov). The public record for these investigations may be viewed on the Commission’s electronic docket (EDIS) at http://edis.usitc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background.—The final phase of these investigations is being scheduled as a result of affirmative preliminary determinations by the Department of Commerce that certain benefits which constitute subsidies within the meaning of section 703 of the Act (19 U.S.C. 1677b) are being provided to manufacturers, producers, or exporters in China of certain passenger vehicle and light truck tires, and that such products are being sold in the United States at less than fair value within the meaning of section 733 of the Act (19 U.S.C. 1673b). The investigations were requested in a petition filed on June 3, 2014, by United Steel, Paper and Forestry, Rubber, Manufacturing, Energy, Allied Industrial and Service Workers International Union, AFL-CIO–CLC (PA).

Participation in the investigations and public service list.—Persons, including industrial users of the subject merchandise and, if the merchandise is sold at the retail level, representative consumer organizations, wishing to participate in the final phase of these investigations as parties must file an entry of appearance with the Secretary of the Commission, as provided in section 201.11 of the Commission’s rules, no later than 21 days prior to the hearing date specified in this notice. A party that filed a notice of appearance during the preliminary phase of the investigations need not reapply for such access. A separate service list will be maintained by the Secretary for those parties authorized to receive BPI under the APO.

Staff report.—The prehearing staff report in the final phase of these investigations will be placed in the nonpublic record on Tuesday, May 26, 2015, and a public version will be issued thereafter, pursuant to section 207.22 of the Commission’s rules.

Hearing.—The Commission will hold a hearing in connection with the final phase of these investigations beginning at 9:30 a.m. on June 9, 2015, at the U.S. International Trade Commission Building. Requests to appear at the hearing should be filed in writing with the Secretary to the Commission on or before Wednesday, June 3, 2015. A nonparty who has requested that the Commission’s deliberations may request permission to present a short statement at the hearing. All parties and nonparties desiring to appear at the hearing and make oral presentations should attend a prehearing conference to be held at 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, June 4, 2015, at the U.S. International Trade Commission Building. Oral testimony and written materials to be submitted at the public hearing are governed by sections 201.6(b)(2), 201.13(f), and 207.24 of the Commission’s rules. Parties must submit any request to present a portion of their hearing testimony in camera no later than 7 business days prior to the date of the hearing.

Written submissions.—Each party who is an interested party shall submit a prehearing brief to the Commission. Prehearing briefs must conform to the provisions of section 207.23 of the Commission’s rules; the deadline for filing is Tuesday, June 2, 2015. Parties may also file written testimony in connection with their presentation at the hearing, as provided in section 207.24 of the Commission’s rules, and posthearing briefs, which must conform to the provisions of section 207.25 of the Commission’s rules. The deadline for filing posthearing briefs is Tuesday, June 16, 2015. In addition, any person who has not entered an appearance as gathered in the final phase of these investigations available to authorized applicants under the APO issued in the investigations, provided that the application is made no later than 21 days prior to the hearing date specified in this notice. Authorized applicants must represent interested parties, as defined by 19 U.S.C. 1677(9), who are parties to the investigations. A party granted access to BPI in the preliminary phase of the investigations need not reapply for such access. A separate service list will be maintained by the Secretary for those parties authorized to receive BPI under the APO.
INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

[Investigation No. 332–503]

Earned Import Allowance Program: Evaluation of the Effectiveness of the Program for Certain Apparel From the Dominican Republic, Sixth Annual Review


ACTION: Notice of opportunity to provide written comments in connection with the Commission’s sixth annual review.

SUMMARY: The U.S. International Trade Commission (Commission) has announced its schedule, including deadlines for filing written submissions, in connection with the preparation of its sixth annual review in investigation No. 332–503, Earned Import Allowance Program: Evaluation of the Effectiveness of the Program for Certain Apparel from the Dominican Republic, Sixth Annual Review.

DATES:

April 10, 2015: Deadline for filing written submissions.

July 24, 2015: Transmittal of sixth report to House Committee on Ways and Means and Senate Committee on Finance.

ADDRESS: All Commission offices, including the Commission’s hearing rooms, are located in the United States International Trade Commission Building, 500 E Street SW., Washington, DC. All written submissions, including statements, and briefs, should be addressed to the Secretary, United States International Trade Commission, 500 E Street SW., Washington, DC 20436. The public record for this investigation may be viewed on the Commission’s electronic docket (EDIS) at http:// edis.usitc.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Project Leader Laura Rodriguez (202–205–3499 or laura.rodriguez@usitc.gov) for information specific to this investigation. For information on the legal aspects of this investigation, contact William Gearhart of the Commission’s Office of the General Counsel (202–205–3091 or william.gearhart@usitc.gov). The media should contact Margaret O’Laughlin, Office of External Relations (202–205–1819 or margaret.olaughlin@usitc.gov). Hearing-impaired individuals may obtain information on this matter by contacting the Commission’s TDD terminal at 202–205–1810. General information concerning the Commission may also be obtained by accessing its Web site (http://www.usitc.gov).

With mobility impairments who will need special assistance in gaining access to the Commission should contact the Office of the Secretary at 202–205–2000.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background: Section 404 of the Dominican Republic-Central America-United States Free Trade Agreement Implementation Act (DR–CAFTA Act) (19 U.S.C. 4112) required the Secretary of Commerce to establish an Earned Import Allowance Program (EIAP) and directed the Commission to conduct annual reviews of the program to evaluate its effectiveness and make recommendations for improvements. Section 404 of the DR–CAFTA Act authorizes certain apparel articles wholly assembled in an eligible country to enter the United States free of duty if accompanied by a certificate that shows evidence of the purchase of certain U.S. fabric. The term “eligible country” is defined to mean the Dominican Republic. More specifically, the program allows producers (in the Dominican Republic) that purchase a certain quantity of qualifying U.S. fabric to produce certain cotton bottoms in the Dominican Republic to receive a credit that can be used to ship a certain quantity of eligible apparel using third-country fabrics from the Dominican Republic to the United States free of duty.

Section 404(d) directs the Commission to conduct an annual review of the program to evaluate the effectiveness of the program and make recommendations for improvements. The Commission is required to submit its reports containing the results of its reviews to the House Committee on Ways and Means and the Senate Committee on Finance. Copies of the Commission’s first five annual reviews are available on the Commission’s Web site at www.usitc.gov, including the fifth annual review, which was published on July 25, 2014 (ITC Publication 4476). The Commission expects to submit its report on its sixth annual review by July 24, 2015.

The Commission instituted this investigation pursuant to section 332(g) of the Tariff Act of 1930 to facilitate docketing of submissions and also to facilitate public access to Commission records through the Commission’s EDIS electronic records system.

Written Submissions: Interested parties are invited to file written submissions concerning this sixth annual review. All written submissions should be addressed to the Secretary, and all such submissions should be received no later than 5:15 p.m., April 10, 2015. All written submissions must