Border Protection (CBP) data for U.S. imports of subject merchandise during the POR for the companies for which an administrative review was requested.<sup>5</sup> The CBP data demonstrated that there were no entries of subject merchandise exported by these companies during the POR.<sup>6</sup> The Department solicited interested party comments,<sup>7</sup> and we received no comments.

#### **Rescission of Review**

It is the Department's practice to rescind an administrative review of a countervailing duty order, pursuant to 19 CFR 351.213(d)(3), when there are no reviewable entries of subject merchandise during the POR for which liquidation is suspended.<sup>8</sup> Normally, upon completion of an administrative review, the suspended entries are liquidated at the countervailing duty assessment rate calculated for the review period. See 19 CFR 351.212(b)(l). Therefore, for an administrative review to be conducted, there must be a reviewable, suspended entry that the Department can order CBP to liquidate at the newly calculated countervailing duty assessment rate. Accordingly, in the absence of suspended entries of subject merchandise during the period of this administrative review (January 1, 2014, through December 31, 2014), we are now rescinding this administrative review of the countervailing duty order on LWTP from the PRC, pursuant to 19 CFR 351.213(d)(3).

This notice is issued and published pursuant to section 751 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, and 19 CFR 351.213(d)(4).

Dated: July 25, 2016.

#### Christian Marsh,

Deputy Assistant Secretary for Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Operations. [FR Doc. 2016–18302 Filed 8–1–16; 8:45 am]

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# DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

# International Trade Administration

# [A-533-824]

#### Polyethylene Terephthalate Film, Sheet, and Strip from India: Preliminary Results and Partial Rescission of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review; 2014–2015

**AGENCY:** Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce. **SUMMARY:** The Department of Commerce (the Department) is conducting an administrative review of the antidumping duty (AD) order on polyethylene terephthalate film, sheet, and strip (PET Film) from India. The period of review (POR) is July 1, 2014, through June 30, 2015. The Department selected two respondents for individual review, Jindal Poly Films Limited of India (Jindal) and SRF Limited (SRF). The Department preliminarily determines that both Jindal and SRF made sales of subject merchandise at prices below normal value (NV) during the POR. The preliminary results are listed below in the section titled "Preliminary Results of Review." If these preliminary results are adopted in the final results, the Department will instruct U.S. Customs and Border Protection ("CBP") to assess antidumping duties on all appropriate entries of subject merchandise during the POR. Interested parties are invited to comment on these preliminary results. DATES: Effective August 2, 2016.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Alex Cipolla at (202) 482–4956; AD/CVD Operations, Office VII, Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20230. SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

# Scope of the Order

The merchandise subject to the order is polyethylene terephthalate film, sheet, and strip. The PET Film subject to the order is currently classifiable under subheading 3920.62.00.90 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS). The HTSUS subheading is provided for convenience and customs purposes. The written description is dispositive. A full description of the scope of the order is contained in the memorandum from Christian Marsh, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Operations, to Ronald K. Lorentzen, Acting Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and

Compliance, "Decision Memorandum for Preliminary Results and Partial Rescission of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review: Polyethylene Terephthalate Film, Sheet, and Strip from India; 2014–2015" (Preliminary Decision Memorandum), which is dated concurrently with these preliminary results and hereby adopted by this notice.

# Partial Rescission of Administrative Review

On April 1, 2015, the Department published in the Federal Register a notice of opportunity to request an administrative review of the AD order on PET Film from India.<sup>1</sup> The Department received multiple timely requests for an administrative review of the AD order on PET Film from India and on September 2, 2015, in accordance with section 751(a) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended ("the Act"), the Department initiated a review of nine companies in this proceeding.<sup>2</sup> In response to timely filed withdrawal requests, we are rescinding this administrative review with respect to Ester, MTZ, Polyplex, Vacmet, and Uflex pursuant to 19 CFR 351.213(d)(1).<sup>3</sup> Accordingly, the companies subject to the instant review are: Jindal, SRF, Gaware, and Vacmet India, of which the Department has selected Jindal and SRF as the mandatory respondents.<sup>4</sup>

#### Methodology

The Department is conducting this review in accordance with section 751(a)(2) of the Act. Export price is calculated in accordance with section 772 of the Act. NV is calculated in accordance with section 773 of the Act.

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 attached as an Appendix to this notice.

The Preliminary Decision Memorandum is a public document and is on file electronically via Enforcement

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> See Memorandum, "Administrative Review of Certain Lightweight Thermal Paper from the People's Republic of China: Request for U.S. Customs and Border Protection Data," dated April 19, 2016.

<sup>6</sup> Id

<sup>7</sup> Id.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> See, e.g., Certain Welded Carbon Steel Standard Pipe and Tube From Turkey: Notice of Final Rescission of Countervailing Duty Administrative Review, In Part, 77 FR 6542 (February 8, 2012).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See Antidumping or Countervailing Duty Order, Finding, or Suspended Investigation; Opportunity To RequestAdministrative Review, 80 FR 37583 (July 1, 2015).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> See Initiation of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Administrative Reviews, 80 FR 53106 (September 2, 2015) (Initiation Notice). The nine companies were Ester Industries Limited (Ester), Garware Polyester Ltd. (Garware), Jindal, MTZ Polyesters Ltd. (MTZ), Polyplex Corporation Ltd. (Polyplex), SRF, Uflex Ltd. (Uflex), Vacmet, and Vacmet India.

 <sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> For Additional Information see The Preliminary Decision Memorandum at "Partial Rescission."
<sup>4</sup> See Respondent Selection Memorandum.

and Compliance's Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Centralized Electronic Service System ("ACCESS"). ACCESS is available to registered users at https://access.trade.gov/login.aspx and it is available to all parties in the Central Records Unit, room B8024 of the main Department of Commerce building. In addition, a complete version of the Preliminary Decision Memorandum can be accessed directly on the Internet at http:// enforcement.trade.gov/frn/. The signed Preliminary Decision Memorandum and the electronic versions of the Preliminary Decision Memorandum are identical in content.

# Companies Not Selected for Individual Review

We preliminarily assign to those companies not selected for individual review the average of the rates calculated for Jindal and SRF in this review, in accordance with section 735(c)(5) of the Act. *See* the Preliminary Decision Memorandum.

# **Preliminary Results of Review**

As a result of this review, we preliminarily determine the following weighted-average dumping margins for the period July 1, 2014, through June 30, 2015.

Manufacturer/exporter	Weighted- average margin (percent)
Jindal Poly Films Limited <sup>5</sup>	0.82
SRF Limited	0.56
Garware Polyester Ltd	0.77
Vacmet India	0.77

#### **Disclosure and Public Comment**

The Department will disclose to interested parties the calculations performed in connection with these preliminary results within five days of the date of publication of this notice.<sup>6</sup> Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.309(c), interested parties may submit cases briefs no later than 30 days after the date of publication of this notice.7 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.<sup>8</sup> 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.<sup>9</sup> Case and rebuttal briefs should be filed using ACCESS.<sup>10</sup> In order to be properly filed, ACCESS must successfully receive an electronically-filed document in its entirety by 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time.

Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.310(c), interested parties who wish to request a hearing must submit a written request to the Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance, filed electronically via ACCESS, within 30 days after the date of publication of this notice.<sup>11</sup> 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.

The Department will issue the final results of this administrative review, including the results of its analysis of the issues raised in any written briefs, not later than 120 days after the date of publication of this notice, pursuant to section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act, unless that time is extended.

# Assessment Rates

Upon completion of the administrative review, the Department shall determine, and CBP shall assess, antidumping duties on all appropriate entries in accordance with 19 CFR 351.212(b)(1). We will instruct CBP to liquidate entries of merchandise produced and/or exported by respondent companies. We intend to issue instructions to CBP 15 days after the date of publication of the final results of this review.

For the individually examined respondents Jindal and SRF, if the weighted-average dumping margins are not zero or *de minimis* (*i.e.*, less than 0.5 percent) in the final results of this review, we will calculate importerspecific (or customer-specific) *ad valorem* assessment rates on the basis of the ratio of the total amount of dumping calculated for the importer's examined sales and the total entered value of the sales in accordance with 19 CFR 351.212(b)(1).

However, where the respondent did not report the entered value for its sales, we will calculate importer-specific (or customer-specific) per-unit duty assessment rates. Where the respondents' weighted-average dumping margin is zero or *de minimis*, or an importer-specific assessment rate is zero or *de minimis*, we will instruct CBP to liquidate the appropriate entries without regard to antidumping duties. For companies Ester, MTZ, Polyplex, Uflex, and Vacmet for which this review is rescinded, we will instruct CBP to assess antidumping duties at rates equal to the cash deposit of estimated antidumping duties required at the time of entry, or withdrawal from warehouse for consumption, in accordance with 19 CFR 351.212(c)(1)(i).

# **Cash Deposit Requirements**

The following deposit requirements will be effective for all shipments of PET Film from India entered. or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after the date of publication of the final results of this administrative review, as provided for by section 751(a)(2)(C) of the Act: (1) The cash deposit rate for the company under review will be the rate established in the final results of this review (except, if the rate is zero or de *minimis, i.e.,* less than 0.5 percent, no cash deposit will be required); (2) for previously reviewed or investigated companies not listed above, the cash deposit rate will continue to be the company-specific rate published for the most recent period; (3) if the exporter is not a firm covered in this review, a prior review, or the less-than-fair-value investigation, but the manufacturer is, the cash deposit rate will be the rate established for the most recent period for the manufacturer of the merchandise; and (4) if neither the exporter nor the manufacturer is a firm covered in this or any previous review, the cash deposit rate will be the all others rate for this proceeding, 5.71 percent. These deposit requirements, when imposed, shall remain in effect until further notice.

#### **Notification to Interested Parties**

This notice also serves as a preliminary reminder to importers of their responsibility under 19 CFR 351.402(f)(2) to file a certificate regarding the reimbursement of antidumping duties and/or countervailing duties prior to liquidation of the relevant entries during this POR. Failure to comply with this requirement could result in the Secretary's presumption that reimbursement of antidumping duties and/or countervailing duties occurred and the subsequent assessment of doubled antidumping duties.

We are issuing and publishing these results in accordance with sections 751(a)(1) and 777(i)(1) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.213(h)(1) and 351.221(b)(4).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> The Initiation Notice lists the company as Jindal Poly Films Limited of India.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> See 19 CFR 351.224(b).

<sup>7</sup> See 19 CFR 351.309(c)(ii).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> See 19 CFR 351.309(d).

<sup>9</sup> See 19 CFR 351.309(c)(2) and (d)(2).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> See 19 CFR 351.303.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> See 19 CFR 351.310(c).

Dated: July 27, 2016. **Ronald K. Lorentzen,** *Acting Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance.* 

### Appendix

#### List of Topics Discussed in the Preliminary Decision Memorandum

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12. Recommendation.

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#### DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

# National Institute of Standards and Technology

[Docket No. 160606494-6494-01]

#### Request for Comments on Post-Quantum Cryptography Requirements and Evaluation Criteria

**AGENCY:** National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST), Commerce. **ACTION:** Notice; request for comments

SUMMARY: The National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) is requesting comments on a proposed process to solicit, evaluate, and standardize one or more quantumresistant public-key cryptographic algorithms. Current algorithms are vulnerable to attacks from large-scale quantum computers. The purpose of this notice is to solicit comments on the draft minimum acceptability requirements, submission requirements, evaluation criteria, and evaluation process of candidate algorithms from the public, the cryptographic community, academic/research communities, manufacturers, voluntary standards organizations, and Federal, state, and local government organizations so that their needs can be considered in the process of developing new public-key cryptography standards. The draft requirements and evaluation criteria are available on the NIST **Computer Security Resource Center** Web site: http://www.nist.gov/pqcrypto. DATES: Comments must be received on or before September 16, 2016.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be sent electronically to *pqc-comments*@ *nist.gov* with "Comment on PostQuantum Cryptography Requirements and Evaluation Criteria" in the subject line. Written comments may also be submitted by mail to Information Technology Laboratory, ATTN: Post-Quantum Cryptography Comments, National Institute of Standards and Technology, 100 Bureau Drive, Mail Stop 8930, Gaithersburg, MD 20899– 8930.

Comments received in response to this notice will be published electronically at *http://www.nist.gov/ pqcrypto*, so commenters should not include information they do not wish to be posted (*e.g.*, personal or confidential business information).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Lily Chen, National Institute of Standards and Technology, 100 Bureau Drive, Mail Stop 8930, Gaithersburg, MD 20899–8930, email: *Lily.Chen@ nist.gov*, by telephone (301) 975–6974.

Technical inquiries regarding the proposed draft acceptability requirements, submission requirements, or the evaluation criteria should be sent electronically to *pqc-comments@ nist.gov.* 

A public email list-serve has been set up for announcements, as well as a forum to discuss the standardization effort being initiated by NIST. For directions on how to subscribe, please visit http://www.nist.gov/pqcrypto. SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In recent vears, there has been a substantial amount of research on quantum computers-machines that exploit quantum mechanical phenomena to solve mathematical problems that are difficult or intractable for conventional computers. If large-scale quantum computers are ever built, they will compromise the security of many commonly used cryptographic algorithms. In particular, quantum computers would completely break many public-key cryptosystems, including those standardized in FIPS 186–4, Digital Signature Standard (http://dx.doi.org/10.6028/ *NIST.FIPS.186-4*, SP 800–56A Revision 2, Recommendation for Pair-Wise Key Establishment Schemes Using Discrete Logarithm Cryptography (http:// dx.doi.org/10.6028/NIST.SP.800-56Ar2), and SP 800-56B Revision 1, Recommendation for Pair-Wise Key-Establishment Schemes Using Integer Factorization Cryptography (http:// dx.doi.org/10.6028/NIST.ŠP.800-56Br1).

Due to this concern, many researchers have begun to investigate post-quantum cryptography (PQC) (also called quantum-resistant cryptography). The goal of this research is to develop cryptographic algorithms that would be secure against both quantum and classical computers. A significant effort will be required in order to develop, standardize, and deploy new postquantum algorithms. In addition, this transition needs to take place well before any large-scale quantum computers are built, so that any information that is later compromised by quantum cryptanalysis is no longer sensitive when that compromise occurs.

NIST has taken a number of steps in response to this potential threat. On April 2–3, 2015, NIST held a public workshop on Cybersecurity in a Post-Quantum World to solicit input on public-key cryptographic policy in the time of quantum computers. NIST also published NISTIR 8105, Report on Post-Quantum Cryptography (*http:// dx.doi.org/10.6028/NIST.IR.8105*), in April 2016 which shares NIST's understanding of the status of quantum computing and post-quantum cryptography.

As a result of study and public feedback, NIST has decided to develop additional public-key cryptographic algorithms through a public standardization process, similar to the development processes for the hash function SHA-3 and the Advanced Encryption Standard (AES). To begin the process, NIST has drafted a set of minimum acceptability requirements, submission requirements, and evaluation criteria for candidate algorithms. The draft document containing these requirements and criteria is available at the Web site: http://www.nist.gov/pqcrypto. NIST seeks comments on these draft minimum acceptability requirements, submission requirements, evaluation criteria, and the evaluation process, as well as suggestions for other criteria and for the relative importance of each individual criterion in the evaluation process. Since neither the submission requirements nor the evaluation criteria have been finalized, and may evolve over time as a result of the public comments that NIST receives, candidate algorithms should NOT be submitted at this time.

Authority: In accordance with the Information Technology Management Reform Act of 1996 (Pub. L. 104–106) and the Federal Information Security Management Act of 2002 (Pub. L. 107–347), the Secretary of Commerce is authorized to approve FIPS. NIST activities to develop computer security standards to protect federal sensitive (unclassified) information systems are undertaken pursuant to specific responsibilities assigned to NIST by Section 20 of the National Institute of Standards and Technology Act (15 U.S.C. 278g–3), as amended.