III. Data
OMB Control Number: 0607–0466. 
Form Number: There are no forms. We conduct all interviewing on computers. 
Type of Review: Regular submission. 
Affected Public: Households. 
Estimated Number of Respondents: 48,000. 
Estimated Time per Response: 1.5 minutes. 
Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 1,200. 
Estimated Total Annual Cost: There are no costs to the respondents other than their time to answer the CPS questions. 
Respondents Obligation: Voluntary. 
Legal Authority: Title 13 U.S.C., Sections 141 and 182; and Title 29, U.S.C., Sections 1–9. 

IV. Request for Comments
Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency’s estimate of the burden (including hours and cost) of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval of this information collection; they also will become a matter of public record. 

Sheleen Dumas, 
Departmental PRA Lead, Office of the Chief Information Officer. 
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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
International Trade Administration 
[A–570–028] 
Hydrofluorocarbon Blends and Components Thereof From the People’s Republic of China: 
Preliminary Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value, Affirmative Preliminary Determination of Critical Circumstances, in Part, and 
Postponement of Final Determination

AGENCY: Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce. 
SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce (the Department) preliminarily determines that hydrofluorocarbon blends and components thereof (HFCs) from the People’s Republic of China (PRC) are being, or are likely to be, sold in the United States at less than fair value (LTFV), as provided in section 733 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act). The period of investigation (POI) is October 1, 2014, through March 31, 2015. The estimated margins of sales at LTFV are shown in the “Preliminary Determination” section of this notice. The final determination will be issued 135 days after publication of this preliminary determination in the Federal Register. Interested parties are invited to comment on this preliminary determination. 

DATES: Effective date: February 1, 2016. 

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: 
Dennis McClure or Elizabeth Eastwood, AD/CVD Operations, Office II, Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482–5973 or (202) 482–3874, respectively. 

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: 
Background 
The Department initiated this investigation on July 22, 2015. For a complete description of the events that followed the initiation of this investigation, see the memorandum that is dated concurrently with this determination and hereby adopted by this notice. The Preliminary Decision Memorandum is a public document and is on file electronically via Enforcement and Compliance’s Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Centralized Electronic Service System (ACCESS). ACCESS is available to registered users at https://access.trade.gov, and 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 found at http://enforcement.trade.gov/frn/. The signed Preliminary Decision Memorandum and the electronic version of the Preliminary Decision Memorandum are identical in content. 

Scope of the Investigation 
The products covered by this investigation are HFCs. For a full description of the scope of this investigation, see the “Scope of the Investigation,” in Appendix I of this notice. 

Scope Comments 
Certain interested parties commented on the scope of the investigation as it appeared in the Initiation Notice. We have addressed some comments raised by interested parties but intend to address the rest of the comments at a later point in the investigation. For discussion of those comments, see the Preliminary Decision Memorandum. 

Methodology 
The Department conducted this investigation in accordance with section 731 of the Act. We calculated export prices in accordance with section 772 of the Act. Because the PRC is a non-market economy within the meaning of section 771(18) of the Act, normal value (NV) was calculated in accordance with section 773(c) of the Act. 

For a full description of the methodology underlying our conclusions, see the Preliminary Decision Memorandum. 

Preliminary Affirmative Determination of Critical Circumstances, in Part 
On November 30, 2015, the petitioner timely filed an amendment to the petition, pursuant to section 733(e)(1) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.206(c)(2)(i), alleging that critical circumstances exist with respect to imports of the merchandise under consideration. We
preliminarily determine that critical circumstances do not exist for Shandong Dongyue Chemical Co., Ltd./Huantaig Dongyue International Trade Co., Ltd. (Dongyue), and non-individually examined companies, but do exist with respect to T.T. International Co., Ltd. (T.T. International) and the PRC-wide entity. For a full description of the methodology and results of our analysis, see the Preliminary Decision Memorandum.

### Combination Rates

In the *Initiation Notice*, the Department stated that it would calculate combination rates for the respondents that are eligible for a separate rate in this investigation. Policy Bulletin 05.1 describes this practice.5

### Preliminary Determination

The preliminary weighted-average antidumping duty (AD) margin percentages are as follows:

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### Disclosure and Public Comment

We intend to disclose the calculations performed to parties in this proceeding within five days of the date of publication of this notice in accordance with 19 CFR 351.224(b). Case briefs or other written comments may be submitted to the Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance no later than seven days after the date on which the final verification report is issued in this proceeding and rebuttal briefs, limited to issues raised in case briefs, may be submitted no later than five days after the deadline date for case briefs.7 A table of contents, list of authorities used, and an executive summary of issues should accompany any briefs submitted to the Department.

Interested parties who wish to request a hearing must submit a written request to the Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance, U.S. Department of Commerce, filed electronically at Enforcement and Compliance’s electronic records system, ACCESS. An electronically-filed document must be received successfully in its entirety by the Department’s electronic records system, ACCESS, by 5:00 p.m. Eastern Standard Time, within 30 days after the date of publication of this notice.8 Hearing requests should contain the party’s name, address, and telephone number, the number of participants, and a list of the issues you wish to discuss.

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1. See *Initiation Notice*, 80 FR at 43391.
2. See Enforcement and Compliance’s Policy Bulletin No. 05.1, regarding “Separate-Rates Practice and Application of Combination Rates in Antidumping Investigations involving Non-Market Economy Countries.”
3. See 19 CFR 351.309; see also 19 CFR 351.303 (for general filing requirements).
4. See 19 CFR 351.310(c).
intend to present at the hearing. If a request for a hearing is made, the Department intends to hold the hearing at the U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20230, at a time and location to be determined. Parties should confirm by telephone the date, time, and location of the hearing two days before the scheduled date.

Suspension of Liquidation

In accordance with section 733(d)(2) of the Act, the Department will instruct U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) to suspend liquidation of all entries of HFCs from the PRC, as described in Appendix I of this notice, entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after the date of publication of this notice in the Federal Register.

Section 733(e)(2) of the Act provides that, given an affirmative determination of critical circumstances, any suspension of liquidation shall apply to unliquidated entries of merchandise entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after the later of (a) the date which is 90 days before the date on which the suspension of liquidation was first ordered, or (b) the date on which notice of initiation of the investigation was published. We preliminarily find that critical circumstances exist for imports of HFCs from the PRC produced or exported by the T.T. International Co., Ltd. and the PRC-wide entity; and (3) for all non-PRC exporters of merchandise under consideration which have not received their own separate rate above, the cash-deposit rate will be the cash deposit rate applicable to the PRC exporter/producer combination that supplied that non-PRC exporter.

Postponement of Final Determination and Extension of Provisional Measures

Section 735(a)(2) of the Act provides that a final determination may be postponed until not later than 135 days after the date of the publication of the preliminary determination if, in the event of an affirmative preliminary determination, a request for such postponement is made by exporters who account for a significant proportion of exports of the subject merchandise, or in the event of a negative preliminary determination, a request for such postponement is made by respondents for postponement of a final determination be accompanied by a request for extension of provisional measures from a four-month period to a period not more than six months in duration. Respondents Dongyue and T.T. International requested that, in the event of an affirmative preliminary determination in this investigation, the Department postpone its final determination by 60 days (i.e., to 135 days after publication of the preliminary determination), and agreed to extend the application of the provisional measures prescribed under section 733(d) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.210(e)(2), from a four-month period to a period not to exceed six months. In addition, the petitioners also requested that, in the event of a negative preliminary determination, the Department postpone its final determination to 135 days after the date of publication of the preliminary determination.

In accordance with section 735(a)(2)(A) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.210(b)(2)(ii), because (1) our preliminary determination is affirmative; (2) the requesting exporters account for a significant proportion of exports of the subject merchandise; and (3) no compelling reasons for denial exist, we are postponing the final determination until no later than 135 days after the date of publication of this notice in the Federal Register and extending the provisional measures from a four-month period to a period not greater than six months. Accordingly, we will issue our final determination no later than 135 days after the date of publication of this preliminary determination, pursuant to section 735(a)(2) of the Act.

International Trade Commission (ITC) Notification

In accordance with section 733(f) of the Act, we are notifying the ITC of our affirmative preliminary determination of sales at LTFV. Section 735(b)(2) of the Act requires the ITC to make its final determination as to whether the domestic industry in the United States is materially injured, or threatened with material injury, by reason of imports of HFCs, or sales (or the likelihood of sales) for importation, of the merchandise under consideration before the later of 120 days after the date of this preliminary determination or 45 days after our final determination. Because we are postponing the deadline for our final determination to 135 days from the date of publication of this preliminary determination, as discussed above, the ITC will make its final determination no later than 45 days after our final determination.

This determination is issued and published in accordance with sections 733(f) and 777(i)(1) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.205(c).

Dated: January 21, 2016.

Paul Piquado,
Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance.

Appendix I—Scope of the Investigation

The products subject to this investigation are blended hydrofluorocarbons (HFCs) and single HFC components of those blends thereof, whether or not imported for blending. HFC blends covered by the scope are R-404, a zeotropic mixture consisting of 52 percent 1,1,1,2-Trifluoroethane, 44 percent Pentafluoroethane, and 4 percent 1,1,1,2,-Tetrafluoroethane; R-407A, a zeotropic mixture of 20 percent Difluoromethane, 40 percent Pentafluoroethane, and 40 percent 1,1,1,2,-Tetrafluoroethane; R-407C, a zeotropic mixture of 23 percent


11 The petitioners in this proceeding are American HFC Coalition and District Lodge 154 of Aerospace Workers.


13 See 19 CFR 351.210(b)(2) and (e).
Difluoromethane, 25 percent Pentafluoroethane, and 52 percent 1,1,1,2-Tetrafluoroethane; R-410A, a zeotropic mixture of 50 percent Difluoromethane and 50 percent Pentafluoroethane; and R-507A, an azotropic mixture of 50 percent Pentafluoroethane and 50 percent 1,1,1-Trifluoroethane also known as R-507. The foregoing percentages are nominal percentages by weight. Actual percentages of single component refrigerants by weight may vary by plus or minus two percent points from the nominal percentage identified above.14 

The single component HFCs covered by the scope are R-32, R-125, and R-143a. R-32 or Difluoromethane has the chemical formula CH2F2, and is registered as CAS No. 75-10-5. It may also be known as HFC-32, FC-32, Freon-32, Methylene difluoride, Methylene fluoride, Carbon fluoride hydride, halocarbon K32, fluorocarbon R32, and UN 3252. R-125 or 1,1,1,2-Pentafluoroethane has the chemical formula CF3CHF2 and is registered as CAS No. 354-33-6. R-125 may also be known as R-125, HFC-125, Pentafluoroethane, Freon 125, and FC-125. R-143a or 1,1,1,2-Trifluoroethane has the chemical formula CF3CH2F and is registered as CAS No. 420-40-6. R-143a may also be known as R-143a, HFC-143a, Methylfluorofrom, 1,1,1-Trifluoroethane, and UN2035.

Excluded from this investigation are blends of refrigerant chemicals that include products other than HFCs, such as blends including chlorofluorocarbons (CFCs) or hydrochlorofluorocarbons (HCFCs).

Also excluded from this investigation are patented HFC blends, such as ISCEON® blends, including M309™ (R-438A), MO79 (R-422A), MOS9 (R-417A), MO490™ (R-437A) and MO297™ (R-422D), Genetron® Performax™ LT (R-407F), Choice® R-421A, and Choice® R-421B.

HFC blends covered by the scope of this investigation are currently classified in the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS) at subheadings 3824.78.0000 and 3824.78.0050. Single component HFCs are currently classified at subheadings 2903.90.2035 and 2903.90.2045, HTSUS.15 Although the HTSUS subheadings and CAS registry numbers are provided for

14 R-404A is sold under various trade names, including Forane® 404A. Genetron® 404A, Solkane® 404A, Klee® 404A, and Suva® 404A. R-407A is sold under various trade names, including Forane® 407A, Solkane® 407A, Klee® 407A, and Suva® 407A. R-407C is sold under various trade names, including Forane® 407C, Genetron® 407C, Solkane® 407C, Klee® 407C, and Suva® 407C. R-410A is sold under various trade names, including EcoFluor® R410, Forane® 410A, Genetron® R410A and AZ-30, Solkane® 410A, Klee® 410A, Suva® 410A, and Puron®. R-507A is sold under various trade names, including Forane® 507, Solkane® 507, Klee® 507, Genetron® AZ-50, and Suva® 507. R-32 is sold under various trade names, including Solkane® 32, Forane® 32, and Klee® 32. R-125 is sold under various trade names, including Solkane® 125, Klee® 125, Genetron® 125, and Forane® 125. R-143a is sold under various trade names, including Solkane® 143a, Genetron® 143a, and Forane® 125.15

15 We note that HFC blends were classified at HTSUS subheading 3824.78.0020 and single component HFCs were classified at HTSUS subheading 2903.90.2000 in 2015.