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 http://access.trade.gov and 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://trade.gov/enforcement/frn/index.html. The signed Preliminary Decision Memorandum and the electronic versions of the Preliminary Decision Memorandum are identical in content.

Preliminary Results of Review

We preliminarily determine the total estimated net countervailable subsidy rates for the period January 1, 2014, through December 31, 2014 to be:

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<th>Manufacturer/exporter</th>
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Disclosure and Public Comment

The Department will disclose to parties to this proceeding the calculations performed in reaching the preliminary results within five days of the date of publication of these preliminary results. Interested parties may submit written comments (case briefs) within 30 days of publication of the preliminary results and rebuttal comments (rebuttal briefs) within five days after the time limit for filing case briefs. Rebuttal briefs must be limited to issues raised in the case briefs. Parties who submit case or rebuttal briefs are requested to submit with the argument: (1) A statement of the issue; (2) a brief summary of the argument; and (3) a table of authorities.

Interested parties who wish to request a hearing must do so within 30 days of publication of these preliminary results by submitting a written request to the Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance, U.S. Department of Commerce, using Enforcement and Compliance’s ACCESS system.

Requests should contain the party’s name, address, and telephone number, the number of participants, and a list of the issues to be discussed. If a request for a hearing is made, we will inform parties of the scheduled date for the hearing which will be held 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. Issues addressed at the hearing will be limited to those raised in the briefs. All briefs and hearing requests must be filed electronically and received successfully in their entirety through ACCESS by 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time on the due date.

Pursuant to section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act, the Department intends to issue the final results of this administrative review, including the results of our analysis of the issues raised by the parties in their comments, within 120 days after publication of these preliminary results.

Assessment Rates and Cash Deposit Requirement

Upon issuance of the final results, the Department shall determine, and U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) shall assess, countervailing duties on all appropriate entries covered by this review. We intend to issue instructions to CBP 15 days after publication of the final results of review.

These preliminary results of review are issued and published in accordance with sections 751(a)(1) and 777(i)(1) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.212 and 351.221(b)(4).


Ronald K. Lorentzen,
Deputy Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance.

Appendix I

List of Topics Discussed in the Preliminary Decision Memorandum

1. Summary

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

C–570–050

Ammonium Sulfate From the People’s Republic of China: Postponement of Preliminary Determination in the Countervailing Duty Investigation

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


FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Robert Galantucci at (202) 482–2923 or William Horn at (202) 482–2615, AD/CVD Operations, Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20230.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On June 14, 2016, the Department of Commerce (the Department) initiated the countervailing duty (CVD) investigation of ammonium sulfate from the People’s Republic of China. The notice of initiation stated that, in accordance with section 703(b)(1) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act), and 19 CFR 351.205(b)(1), we would issue our preliminary determination no later than 65 days after the date of initiation, unless postponed. Currently, the preliminary determination is due no later than August 18, 2016.

Postponement of the Preliminary Determination

Section 703(b)(1) of the Act, requires the Department to issue the preliminary determination in a CVD investigation within 65 days after the date on which the Department initiated the investigation. However, in accordance with 19 CFR 351.205(e), if the petitioner makes a timely request for an extension, section 703(c)(1)(A) of the Act allows the Department to postpone the preliminary determination until no later than 130 days after the date on which the Department initiated the investigation.

See Ammonium Sulfate From the People’s Republic of China: Initiation of Countervailing Duty Investigation, 81 FR 40661 (June 22, 2016).

\(^{1}\) See 19 CFR 351.310.
investigation. Under 19 CFR 351.205(e), a petitioner must submit a request for postponement 25 days or more before the scheduled date of the preliminary determination and must state the reason for the request. The Department will grant the request unless it finds compelling reasons to deny the request.2

On July 22, 2016, PCI Nitrogen, LLC (Petitioner) submitted a timely request pursuant to section 703(c)(1)(A) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.205(e) to postpone the preliminary determination due to the number and complex nature of subsidy programs under investigation.3

In accordance with 19 CFR 351.205(e), Petitioner has stated the reason for requesting a postponement of the preliminary determination and the record does not present any compelling reasons to deny Petitioner’s request. Therefore, the Department will extend the deadline for completion of the preliminary determination by 65 days (i.e., 130 days after the date of initiation of this investigation). However, because 65 days following the current deadline falls on a Saturday, the new deadline is Monday, October 24, 2016.4 Pursuant to section 705(a)(l) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.210(b)(1), the deadline for the final determination will continue to be 75 days after the date of the preliminary determination.

This notice is issued and published pursuant to section 703(c)(2) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.205(f)(l). Dated: July 27, 2016.

Ronald K. Lorentzen,
Acting Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

Extension of U.S. Section Member Appointments to the United States-Brazil CEO Forum

AGENCY: International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In March 2007, the Governments of the United States and Brazil established the U.S.-Brazil CEO Forum (Forum). Through a Federal Register notice on May 29, 2013 (78 FR 32,239), the Department of Commerce solicited applicants for appointment to the U.S. Section for a term of three years to expire August 13, 2016, and appointed individuals to all twelve Member positions. Vacancies arising during the three-year term were filled through the same process (see 80 FR 13,520 (Mar. 16, 2015) and 80 FR 17,032 (Mar. 31, 2015)). For the reasons explained below, the Secretary of Commerce and the Director of the National Economic Council and Assistant to the President for Economic Policy are extending the current U.S. Section Member appointments through June 30, 2017.


FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Raquel Silva, Office of Latin America and the Caribbean, U.S. Department of Commerce, Raquel.Silva@trade.gov, telephone: (202) 482–4157.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Secretary of Commerce and the Director of the National Economic Council and Assistant to the President for Economic Policy, together with the Brazilian Minister of Casa Civil and the Brazilian Minister of Industry, Foreign Trade and Services co-chair the U.S.-Brazil CEO Forum, pursuant to the Terms of Reference signed in March 2007 by the U.S. and Brazilian governments, as amended, which set forth the objectives and structure of the Forum. The Terms of Reference may be viewed at: http://www.trade.gov/ceo-forum/. The Forum, consisting of both private and public sector members, brings together leaders of the respective business communities of the United States and Brazil to discuss issues of mutual interest, particularly ways to strengthen the economic and commercial ties between the two countries. The Forum consists of the U.S. and Brazilian Government co-chairs and a Committee comprised of private sector members. The Committee is composed of two Sections, each consisting of up to twelve members from the private sector, representing the views and interests of the private sector business community in the United States and Brazil. Each government appoints the members to its respective Section. The Committee provides joint recommendations to the two governments that reflect private sector views, needs and concerns regarding the creation of an economic environment in which their respective private sectors can partner, thrive and enhance bilateral commercial ties to expand trade between the United States and Brazil.

As stated in the amended Terms of Reference, “members of the Forum are to serve three-year terms but may be reappointed.” The current U.S. Section Member appointments expire on August 13, 2016. The postponement of the most recent scheduled meeting of the United States-Brazil CEO Forum has resulted in a need for additional time for the current U.S. Section Members to finish on-going work with the Brazil Section Members to finalize and present Committee joint recommendations to the Government co-chairs. For that reason, the Secretary of Commerce and the Director of the National Economic Council and Assistant to the President for Economic Policy have decided to extend the current U.S. Section Member appointments through June 30, 2017.


Alexander Peacher,
Acting Director for the Office of Latin America & the Caribbean.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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Endangered Species; File Nos. 19331 and 19642

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

ACTION: Notice; issuance of permits.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that Harold Brundage (File No. 19331), Environmental Research and Consulting, Inc., 126 Bancroft Rd; Kennett Square, PA 19348, and Jason Kahn (File No. 19642), NOAA Fisheries, 1315 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910, have been issued permits to take shortnose sturgeon (Acipenser brevirostrum) and Atlantic sturgeon (Acipenser oxyrinchus oxyrinchus) for purposes of conducting scientific research.

ADDRESSES: The permits and related documents are available for review upon written request or by appointment in the Permits and Conservation Division, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Room 13705, Silver Spring, MD 20910; phone (301) 427–8401; fax (301) 713–0376.