DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
International Trade Administration
[A–570–042]

Stainless Steel Sheet and Strip From the People’s Republic of China: Postponement of Final Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value Investigation

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

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce (Department) is postponing the deadline for issuing final determination in the less than fair value (LTFV) investigation of stainless steel sheet and strip from the People’s Republic of China (PRC) and is extending the provisional measures from a four-month period to a period not more than six months.

DATES: Effective October 21, 2016.


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background
On March 10, 2016, the Department published a notice of initiation of the LTFV investigation of the stainless steel sheet and strip from the PRC. The period of investigation is July 1, 2015, through December 31, 2015. On September 9, 2016, the Department issued its affirmative Preliminary Determination. On September 14, 2016, Shanxi Taigang Stainless Steel Co., Ltd. (Taigang), a mandatory respondent in this investigation, requested that the Department fully extend the deadline for the final determination, and extend the application of the provisional measures from a four-month period to a period not more than six months. On September 19, 2016, the Department published the Preliminary Determination.

Postponement of Final Determination

Section 735(a)(2)(A) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act), and 19 CFR 351.210(b)(2)(ii), provide 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. Further, 19 CFR 351.210(e)(2) requires that such postponement requests by exporters be accompanied by a request for extension of provisional measures from a four-month period to a period not more than six months, in accordance with section 733(d) of the Act. In accordance with section 735(a)(2)(A) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.210(b)(2)(ii), because (1) our preliminary determination was affirmative; (2) the requesting producer/exporter, Taigang, accounts for a significant proportion of exports of the subject merchandise from the PRC; and (3) no compelling reasons for denial exist, we are postponing the final determination until no later than 135 days after the date of the publication of the Preliminary Determination and extending the provisional measures from a four-month period to a period not more than six months. Accordingly, we will issue our final determination no later than February 1, 2017. This determination is issued and published pursuant to section 735(a)(2)(A) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.210(g).

Dated: October 14, 2016.

Paul Piquado,
Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
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[A–552–814]


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

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce ("the Department") is rescinding its administrative review of utility scale wind towers ("wind towers") from the Socialist Republic of Vietnam ("Vietnam") for the period or review ("POR") February 1, 2015 through January 31, 2016, based on the withdrawal of request for review.

DATES: Effective October 21, 2016.


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background
On February 3, 2016, the Department published the notice of opportunity to request an administrative review of the antidumping duty order on wind towers from Vietnam for the above POR. On February 23, 2016 and February 29, 2016, in accordance with section 751(a) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the "Act"), and 19 CFR 351.213(b), the Department received a timely request from the Wind Tower Trade Coalition ("Petitioner") and CS Wind Vietnam Co., Ltd. ("CS Wind"), respectively, to conduct an administrative review.

Pursuant to these requests and in accordance with 19 CFR 351.221(c)(1)(i), on April 7, 2016, the Department published a notice of initiation of an administrative review of the antidumping duty order on wind towers from Vietnam. On July 6, 2016,

1 See Stainless Steel Sheet and Strip From the People’s Republic of China: Initiation of Less Than Fair Value Investigation, 81 FR 12711 (March 10, 2016).
3 See Initiation of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Administrative Reviews, 81 FR 20324 (April 7, 2016) ("Initiation Notice").
Petitioner and CS Wind withdrew their requests for an administrative review.4

Recission of Review

Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.213(d)(1), the Department will rescind an administrative review, in whole or in part, if the party that requested the review withdraws the request within 90 days of the publication date of the notice of initiation of review. As noted above, all parties withdrew their requests for review within 90 days of the publication date of the Initiation Notice. No other parties requested an administrative review of the order. Therefore, in accordance with 19 CFR 351.213(d)(1), we are rescinding this review in its entirety.

Assessment

The Department will instruct U.S. Customs and Border Protection (“CBP”) to assess antidumping duties on all appropriate entries of wind towers from Vietnam. Antidumping duties shall be assessed 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). The Department intends to issue appropriate assessment instructions to CBP 15 days after the date of publication of this notice of rescission of administrative review.

Notifications

This notice also serves as a final reminder to importers for whom this review is being rescinded of their responsibility under 19 CFR 351.402(f)(2) to file a certificate regarding the reimbursement of antidumping duties prior to liquidation of the relevant entries during this review period. Failure to comply with this requirement could result in the Secretary’s presumption that reimbursement of the antidumping duties occurred and the subsequent assessment of double antidumping duties.

This notice also serves as a reminder to parties subject to administrative protective orders (“APO”) of their responsibility concerning the return or destruction of proprietary information disclosed under APO in accordance with 19 CFR 351.305, which continues to govern business proprietary


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Environmental Technologies Trade Advisory Committee, Notice of Reestablishment

AGENCY: International Trade Administration, Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of reestablishment of the Environmental Technologies Trade Advisory Committee (ETTAC).

SUMMARY: Pursuant to provisions under Title IV of the Jobs Through Trade Expansion Act, 22 U.S.C. 2151, and under the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App. 2, the Department of Commerce announces the reestablishment of the Environmental Technologies Trade Advisory Committee (the Committee). ETTAC was first chartered on May 31, 1994. ETTAC serves as an advisory body to the Environmental Technologies Trade Working Group of the Trade Promotion coordinating Committee (TPCC), reporting directly to the Secretary of Commerce in his/her capacity as Chairman of the TPCC. ETTAC advises on the development and administration of policies and programs to expand U.S. exports of environmental technologies, goods, and services.

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Dated: October 17, 2016.

Edward A. O’Malley,
Director, Office of Energy and Environmental Industries.

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

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce (the Department) is conducting an administrative review of the antidumping duty order on small diameter graphite electrodes (graphite electrodes) from the People’s Republic of China (PRC), covering the period February 1, 2015, through January 31, 2016. The Department has preliminarily determined that three companies, the Fingda Group, Fushun Jinly Petrochemical Co., Ltd. (Fushun Jinly), and Jilin Carbon Import and Export Company (Jilin Carbon), had no shipments of subject merchandise during the period of review (POR).

DATES: Effective October 21, 2016.


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On February 3, 2016, we published a notice of opportunity to request an administrative review of the antidumping duty order on graphite electrodes from the PRC for the POR February 1, 2015, through January 31, 2016. On April 7, 2016, in response to a timely request from the petitioners, and in accordance with section 751(a) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act), and 19 CFR 351.212(c)(1)(i), we initiated an administrative review of the antidumping duty order on graphite electrodes from the PRC for the POR February 1, 2015, through January 31, 2016.

On August 19, 2016, in response to a timely withdrawal request from the petitioners, we rescinded the preliminary results of the antidumping duty administrative review.

1 See Antidumping or Countervailing Duty Order, Finding, or Suspended Investigation; Opportunity to Request Administrative Review, 81 FR 5712 (February 3, 2016).

2 SGL Carbon LLC and Superior Graphite Co. (collectively, the petitioners).

3 See Initiation of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Reviews, 81 FR 20324 (April 7, 2016).