Any party having a substantial interest in these proceedings may request a public hearing on the matter. A written request for a hearing must be submitted to the Trade Adjustment Assistance for Firms Division, Room 71030, Economic Development Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, Washington, DC 20230, no later than ten (10) calendar days following publication of this notice. Please follow the requirements set forth in EDA’s regulations at 13 CFR 315.9 for procedures to request a public hearing. The Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance official number and title for the program under which these petitions are submitted is 11.313, Trade Adjustment Assistance for Firms.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Foreign-Trade Zones Board [B–86–2016]

Foreign-Trade Zone (FTZ) 38—Spartanburg County, South Carolina; Notification of Proposed Production Activity; Black & Decker (U.S.) Inc.; Subzone 38E, (Power Tools), Fort Mill, South Carolina

Black & Decker (U.S.) Inc. (Black & Decker) submitted a notification of proposed production activity to the FTZ Board for its facility in Fort Mill, South Carolina, within Subzone 38E. The notification conforming to the requirements of the regulations of the FTZ Board (15 CFR 400.22) was received on December 15, 2016.

Black & Decker already has authority to produce power tools and their parts and components, the packaging and kitting of power tools, and the repair and rework of power tools, parts and accessories within Subzone 38E. The current request would add finished products and foreign-status materials/components to the scope of authority. Pursuant to 15 CFR 400.14(b), additional FTZ authority would be limited to the specific foreign-status materials/components and specific finished products described in the submitted notification (as described below) and subsequently authorized by the FTZ Board.

Production under FTZ procedures could exempt Black & Decker from customs duty payments on the foreign-status materials/components used in export production. On its domestic sales, Black and Decker would be able to choose the duty rates during customs entry procedures that apply to: tube expanders; pavement breakers; crimping tools; cable cutters; caulk guns; grease guns; sink augers—cordless; drain snakes; impact wrenches; anvil subassemblies; front end mechanisms/subassemblies; nose cone subassemblies; housing subassemblies; transmission assemblies for power tools; electronic control and motor subassemblies; bulk packed motors; lasers; and, laser detectors (duty rates range from free to 3.3%).

Public comment is invited from interested parties. Submissions shall be addressed to the FTZ Board’s Executive Secretary at the address below. The closing period for their receipt is February 7, 2017. A copy of the notification will be available for public inspection at the Office of the Executive Secretary, Foreign-Trade Zones Board, Room 21013, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20230–0002, and in the “Reading Room” section of the FTZ Board’s Web site, which is accessible via www.trade.gov/ftz.

For further information, contact Diane Finver at Diane.Finver@trade.gov or (202) 482–1367.


Andrew McGilvray, Executive Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration [A–570–831]


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

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce (the Department) is initiating a new shipper review (NSR) with respect to Qingdao Joinsafoods Co. Ltd. and Join...
Food Ingredient Inc. (“Join”) in the context of the antidumping duty order on Fresh Garlic from the People’s Republic of China (PRC). The period of review (POR) is November 1, 2015, through October 31, 2016.

DATES: Effective December 29, 2016.


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

The Department published the antidumping duty order on fresh garlic from the PRC in the Federal Register on November 16, 1994.\(^1\) On November 30, 2016, the Department received a timely request for a NSR from Join.\(^2\) Join certified that it is the exporter and producer of the fresh garlic upon which the request for a NSR is based.\(^3\)

Pursuant to section 751(a)(2)(B)(i)(I) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.214(b)(2)(i), Join certified that it did not export fresh garlic for sale to the United States during the period of investigation (POI).\(^4\) Moreover, pursuant to section 751(a)(2)(B)(iii)(A) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.214(b)(2)(iii)(A), Join certified that, since the investigation was initiated, it has never been affiliated with any exporter or producer which exported the subject merchandise to the United States; (2) the date on which the fresh garlic was first entered into the United States; (3) the date of its first sale to an unaffiliated customer in the United States; and (4) the volume of that shipment.\(^5\)

The Department queried the database of U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) in an attempt to confirm that the shipment reported by Join had entered the United States for consumption and that liquidation had been properly suspended for antidumping duties. The information which the Department examined was consistent with that provided by Join in its request.\(^9\)

Period of Review

Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.214(c), an exporter or producer may request a NSR within one year of the date on which its subject merchandise was first entered. Moreover, 19 CFR 351.214(d)(1) states that if the request for the review is made during the twelve-month period ending with the end of the anniversary month, the Secretary will initiate a NSR in the calendar month immediately following the anniversary month. Further, 19 CFR 351.214(g)(1)(i)(A) states that if the NSR was initiated in the month immediately following the anniversary month, the POR will be 12-month period immediately preceding the anniversary month. Join made the request for a NSR, that included all documents and information required by the statute and regulations, within one year of the date on which its fresh garlic first entered. Its request was filed in November, which is the anniversary month of the order. Therefore, the POR is November 1, 2015, through October 31, 2016. Id.

Initiation of New Shipper Review

Pursuant to section 751(a)(2)(B) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.214(b) and, the information on the record, the Department finds that Join’s request meets the threshold requirements for initiation of a NSR for shipments of fresh garlic from the PRC produced and exported by Join, and, therefore, is initiating a NSR of Join. Absent a determination that the new shipper review is extraordinarily complicated, the Department intends to issue the preliminary results within 180 days after the date on which this review is initiated and the final results within 90 days after the date on which we issue the preliminary results.\(^10\) If the information supplied by Join is found to be incorrect or insufficient during the course of this proceeding, the Department may rescind the review for Join or apply facts available pursuant to section 776 of the Act, depending on the facts on the record.

It is the Department’s usual practice in cases involving non-market economies to require that a company seeking to establish eligibility for an antidumping duty rate separate from the country-wide rate (i.e., a separate rate) provide evidence of de jure and de facto absence of government control over the company’s export activities.\(^11\)

Accordingly, the Department will issue questionnaires to Join, which will include a section requesting information with regard to its export activities for the purpose of establishing its eligibility for a separate rate. The review will proceed if the responses provide sufficient indication that Join is not subject to either de jure or de facto government control with respect to its exports of fresh garlic from the PRC.

On February 24, 2016, the President signed into law the “Trade Facilitation and Trade Enforcement Act of 2015,” H.R. 644, which made several amendments to section 751(a)(2)(B) of the Act. The Department will conduct this new shipper review in accordance with section 751(a)(2)(B) of the Act, as amended by the Trade Facilitation and Trade Enforcement Act of 2015.\(^12\)

Interested parties requiring access to proprietary information in this proceeding should submit applications for disclosure under administrative protective order in accordance with 19 CFR 351.305 and 351.306.

This initiation and notice are in accordance with section 751(a)(2)(B) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.214 and 351.221(c)(1)(i).


Christian Marsh.
Deputy Assistant Secretary for Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Operations.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

U.S.-Nigeria Commercial and Investment Dialogue

AGENCY: International Trade Administration (ITA), U.S. Department of Commerce (DOC).

\(^{1}\) See Antidumping Duty Order: Fresh Garlic from the People’s Republic of China, 59 FR 59209 (November 16, 1994).
\(^{2}\) See Join’s request for a NSR dated November 30, 2016.
\(^{3}\) Id. at Exhibit 1.
\(^{4}\) Id.
\(^{5}\) Id.
\(^{6}\) Id.
\(^{7}\) Id. at page 2.
\(^{8}\) Id. at Exhibit 2.

\(^{9}\) See Memorandum to the File from Chien-Min Yang, “New Shipper Review of the Antidumping Duty Order on Fresh Garlic from the People’s Republic of China: Customs Entries from November 1, 2015, to October 31, 2016,” dated December 13, 2016.

\(^{10}\) See section 751(a)(2)(B)(iv) of the Act.


\(^{12}\) The Trade Facilitation and Trade Enforcement Act of 2015 removed from section 751(a)(2)(B) of the Act the provision directing the Department to instruct Customs and Border Protection to allow an importer the option of posting a bond or security in lieu of a cash deposit during the pendency of a new shipper review.