Members of the public are also entitled to submit written comments; the comments must be received in the regional office within 30 days following the meeting. Written comments may be mailed to the Eastern Regional Office, U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, 1331 Pennsylvania Ave NW., Suite 1150, Washington, DC 20425. They may also be faxed to the Commission at (202) 376–7548, or emailed to Evelyn Bohor at ebohor@usccr.gov. Persons who desire additional information may contact the Eastern Regional Office at (202) 376–7533.

Records generated from this meeting may be inspected and reproduced at the Midwestern Regional Office, as they become available, both before and after the meeting. Records of the meeting will be available via www.facadatabase.gov under the Commission on Civil Rights, Ohio Advisory Committee link (http://facadatabase.gov/committee/meetings.aspx?cid=240). Select “meeting details” and “documents” to download. Persons interested in the work of this Committee are directed to the Commission’s Web site, http://www.usccr.gov, or may contact the Midwestern Regional Office at the above email or street address.

Agenda
Welcome and Introductions
Rollcall
Discussion of project proposals
Other business
Public Comment
Adjournment


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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Economic Development Administration

Notice of Petitions by Firms for Determination of Eligibility To Apply for Trade Adjustment Assistance

AGENCY: Economic Development Administration, Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice and opportunity for public comment.

Pursuant to Section 251 of the Trade Act 1974, as amended (19 U.S.C. 2341 et seq.), the Economic Development Administration (EDA) has received petitions for certification of eligibility to apply for Trade Adjustment Assistance from the firms listed below. Accordingly, EDA has initiated investigations to determine whether increased imports into the United States of articles like or directly competitive with those produced by each of these firms contributed importantly to the total or partial separation of the firm’s workers, or threat thereof, and to a decrease in sales or production of each petitioning firm.
LIST OF PETITIONS RECEIVED BY EDA FOR CERTIFICATION ELIGIBILITY TO APPLY FOR TRADE ADJUSTMENT ASSISTANCE [1/28/2017 through 2/3/2017]

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<th>Date accepted for investigation</th>
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<td>Flint Cliffs Manufacturing Corporation</td>
<td>1600 Bluff Road, Burlington, IA 52501.</td>
<td>1/30/2017</td>
<td>The firm manufactures metal fabrication and painting of base metals into various shapes and forms.</td>
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<td>Noble Plastics, Inc.</td>
<td>318 Burleigh Lane, Grand Coteau, LA 70541.</td>
<td>2/1/2017</td>
<td>The firm manufactures injection molded products.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Applied Robotics, Inc.</td>
<td>648 Saratoga Road, Glenville, NY 12302.</td>
<td>2/2/2017</td>
<td>The firm manufactures robotic end-of-arm tooling, grippers, tool changers, collision sensors and docking modules.</td>
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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.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:
Background
On May 25, 2000, the Department published the AD Orders on polyester staple fiber from Korea and Taiwan. On August 1, 2016, the Department published the notice of initiation of the third sunset review of the AD Orders on polyester staple fiber from Korea and Taiwan, pursuant to section 751(c) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act). As a result of its review, the Department determined that revocation of the AD Orders would likely lead to a continuation or recurrence of dumping. The Department, therefore, notified the ITC of the magnitude of the margins likely to prevail should the AD Orders be revoked. On January 18, 2017, the ITC determined that revoking the AD Orders on polyester staple fiber from Korea and Taiwan would be likely to lead to continuation or recurrence of material injury with a reasonably foreseeable time.5

Scope of the Orders
Polyester staple fiber covered by the orders is defined as synthetic staple fibers, not carded, combed or otherwise processed for spinning, of polymers measuring 3.3 decitex (3 denier, inclusive) or more in diameter. This merchandise is cut to lengths varying from one inch (25 mm) to five inches (127 mm). The merchandise subject to the orders may be coated, usually with a silicon, or other finish, or not coated. Polyester staple fiber is generally used as stuffing in sleeping bags, mattresses, ski jackets, comforters, cushions, pillows, and furniture. Merchandise of less than 3.3 decitex (less than 3 denier) currently classifiable in the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (“HTSUS”) at subheading 5503.20.00.25 is specifically excluded from the orders. Also, specifically excluded from the orders are polyester staple fibers of 10 to 18 denier that are cut to lengths of 6 to 8 inches (fibers used in the manufacture of carpeting). In addition, low-melt polyester staple fiber is excluded from the orders. Low-melt polyester staple fiber is defined as a bi-component fiber with an outer sheath that melts at a significantly lower temperature than its inner core. The merchandise subject to the orders is currently classifiable in the HTSUS at subheadings 5503.20.00.45 and 5503.20.00.65. The HTSUS subheadings are provided for convenience and customs purposes only; the written description of the merchandise covered by the scope of the orders is dispositive.

Continuation of the Orders
As a result of the determinations by the Department and the ITC that revocation of the AD Orders would likely lead to continuation or recurrence of dumping and material injury to an industry in the United States, the Department is publishing this notice of continuation of the AD orders.


1 See Notice of Amended Final Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value: Certain Polyester Staple Fiber from the Republic of Korea and Antidumping Duty Orders: Certain Polyester Staple Fiber from the Republic of Korea and Taiwan, 65 FR 33807, 33808 (May 25, 2000); see also Certain Polyester Staple Fiber from Korea: Notice of Amended Final Determination and Amended Order Pursuant to Final Court Decision, 68 FR 74552, 74553 (December 24, 2003) (AD Orders).
3 See Certain Polyester Staple Fiber from the Republic of Korea and Taiwan: Final Results of Expedited Sunset Review of the Antidumping Duty Orders, 81 FR 92783 (December 20, 2016), and accompanying Issues and Decision Memorandum.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
International Trade Administration


Certain Polyester Staple Fiber From the Republic of Korea and Taiwan: Continuation of Antidumping Duty Orders

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

SUMMARY: As a result of the determinations by the Department of Commerce (the Department) and the International Trade Commission (ITC) that revocation of the antidumping duty (AD) orders on certain polyester staple fiber from the Republic of Korea (Korea) and Taiwan would likely lead to a continuation or recurrence of dumping and material injury to an industry in the United States, the Department is publishing this notice of continuation of the AD orders.


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See Initiation of Five-Year (“Sunset”) Review, 81 FR 50462 (August 1, 2016).

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