and without being subject to an elongation test.

The subject merchandise is classifiable in the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS) primarily under item numbers 7213.10.0000, 7214.20.0000, and 7228.30.8010. The subject merchandise may also enter under other HTSUS numbers including 7215.90.1000, 7215.90.5000, 7221.00.0017, 7221.00.0030, 7221.00.0045, 7222.11.0065, 7222.11.0059, 7222.30.0001, 7227.20.0080, 7227.90.0030, 7227.90.6035, 7227.90.6040, 7228.20.1000, and 7228.60.6000.

HTSUS numbers are provided for convenience and customs purposes; however, the written description of the scope remains dispositive.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
International Trade Administration
[A–583–853]


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 certain crystalline silicon photovoltaic products (solar products) from Taiwan. The period of review ("POR") is July 31, 2014, through January 31, 2016. This administrative review covers 14 exporters of the subject merchandise, including two mandatory respondents, Motech Industries, Inc. ("Motech") and Sino-American Silicon Products Inc. ("SAS"). The Department preliminarily determines SAS and Motech made sales of subject merchandise at less than normal value during the period.

Additionally, we are rescinding this administrative review with respect to 18 companies that timely withdrew their request for administrative review. Interested parties are invited to comment on these preliminary results.


FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Magd Zalok or Thomas Martin, AD/CVD Operations, Office IV, Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482–4162 or (202) 482–3936, respectively.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On February 3, 2016, the Department notified interested parties of the opportunity to request an administrative review of orders, findings, or suspended investigations with anniversaries in February 2016, including the antidumping duty ("AD") order on solar products from Taiwan.1 On February 29, 2016, SolarWorld Americas Inc. ("Petitioner"), as well as various exporters and importers requested that the Department conduct an administrative review of certain exporters covering the POR.2 In the Initiation Notice, the Department stated that if it limited the number of respondents for individual examination, then it intended to select respondents based on volume data contained in responses to its quantity and value ("Q&V") questionnaire.3 On April 12, 2016, the Department issued Q&V questionnaires to all 32 companies/company groupings for the POR.4

CBP data are reported in "piece" units and it would not be meaningful to sum the number of imported solar cells and the number of imported solar modules in attempting to determine the largest Taiwanese exporters of subject merchandise by volume. Id. Therefore, the Department stated that it would issue Q&V questionnaires to determine the volume of subject merchandise shipped to the United States by Taiwanese exporters/producers. Id.


3 Petitioner commented on these responses between July 8, 2016, and December 5, 2016.

4 On October 12, 2016, the Department extended the deadline for issuing the
preliminary results of this administrative review to February 28, 2017. On December 12, 2016, we determined that SAS and Solartech Energy Corp. (“Solartech”), an affiliated entity involved in the production, sales and distribution of the products covered by this administrative review, are affiliated, pursuant to section 771(33)(E) of the Act. In addition, based on the evidence provided in SAS’ and Solartech’s questionnaire responses and 19 CFR 351.401(f), we preliminarily determined that SAS and Solartech (hereinafter “SAS-Solartech”) should be collapsed and treated as a single entity in this administrative review. This finding was based in part on the determination that Solartech has production facilities for similar or identical products that would not require substantial retooling in order to restructure manufacturing priorities, pursuant to 19 CFR 351.401(f)(1). Additionally, our finding was based on the determination that the level of common ownership, management overlap, and intertwined operations between SAS and Solartech may result in a significant potential for manipulation of price or production of subject merchandise, pursuant to 19 CFR 351.401(f)(2).

SAS-Solartech and Petitioner submitted comments in response to the Department’s January 18, 2017, request for comments for consideration in these preliminary results of review on February 9, 2017, and February 10, 2017, respectively.  

Partial Rescission of Administrative Review

On February 29, 2016, the Department received multiple timely requests for an administrative review of the AD order on solar products from Taiwan. In response to timely-filed withdrawal requests, we are rescinding this administrative review with respect to 18 companies pursuant to 19 CFR 351.213(d)(1). Accordingly, the companies subject to the instant review are: AU Optronics Corporation, EEPV CORP., E–TON Solar Tech. Co., Ltd., Gintech Energy Corporation, Inventec Energy Corporation, Inventec Solar Energy Corporation, Kyocera Mexicana S.A. de C.V., Motech, SAS, Solartech, Sunengine Corporation Ltd., Sunrise Global Solar Energy, TSEC Corporation and Win Win Precision Technology Co., Ltd. of which the Department has selected Motech and SAS-Solartech as the mandatory respondents.

Scope of the Order

The merchandise covered by this order is crystalline silicon photovoltaic cells, and modules, laminates and/or panels consisting of crystalline silicon photovoltaic cells, whether or not partially or fully assembled into other products, including building integrated materials. Merchandise covered by this order is currently classified in the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (“HTSUS”) under subheadings 8507.20.8030, 8507.20.8090, 8507.20.8090, 8541.40.6020, 8541.40.6030 and 8501.31.8000. These HTSUS subheadings are provided for convenience and customs purposes; the written description of the scope is dispositive.

Methodology

The Department is conducting this review in accordance with section 751(a) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (“the Act”). Export price and constructed export price are calculated in accordance with section 772 of the Act. Normal value is calculated in accordance with section 773 of the Act. For a full description of the methodology underlying our conclusions, see the Preliminary Decision Memorandum.  

Preliminary Results of Review

As a result of this review, we preliminarily determine the following weighted-average dumping margins for the period July 31, 2014 through January 31, 2016:

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<th>Manufacturer/exporter</th>
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For the rate for non-selected respondents in an administrative review, generally, the Department looks to section 735(c)(5) of the Act, which provides instructions for calculating the all-others rate in a market economy investigation. Under section...
Disclosure and Public Comment

The Department intends to disclose the calculations used in our analysis to interested parties in this review within five days of the date of publication of this notice in accordance with 19 CFR 351.224(b). Interested parties are invited to comment on the preliminary results of this review. Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.309(c)(1)(ii), interested parties may submit case briefs no later than 30 days after the date of publication of this notice. Rebuttal briefs, limited to issues raised in the case briefs, may be filed no later than five days after the time limit for filing case briefs. Parties who submit case briefs or rebuttal briefs in this proceeding are requested to submit with each brief: (1) A statement of the issue, (2) a brief summary of the argument, and (3) a table of authorities. Executive summaries should be limited to five pages total, including footnotes. Case and rebuttal briefs should be filed using ACCESS. Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.310(c), any interested party may request a hearing within 30 days of the publication of this notice in the Federal Register. If a hearing is requested, the Department will notify interested parties of the hearing schedule. Interested parties who wish to request a hearing, or to participate if one is requested, must submit a written request to the Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance, filed electronically via ACCESS within 30 days after the date of publication of this notice. Requests should contain: (1) The party’s name, address, and telephone number; (2) the number of participants; and (3) a list of the issues to be discussed. Issues raised in the hearing will be limited to those raised in the respective case and rebuttal briefs.

We intend to issue the final results of this administrative review, including the results of our analysis of issues raised by the parties in the written comments, within 120 days of publication of these preliminary results in the Federal Register, unless otherwise extended.

Notification to Importers

This notice also serves as a preliminary reminder to importers of their responsibility under 19 CFR 351.402(f) to file a certificate regarding the reimbursement of antidumping duties prior to liquidation of the relevant entries during this review.

19 See Ball Bearings and Parts Thereof From France, Germany, Italy, Japan, and the United Kingdom: Final Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Reviews, Final Results of Changed-Circumstances Review, and Revocation of an Order in Part, 75 FR 53661, 53663 (September 1, 2010).

20 In these preliminary results, the Department applied the assessment rate calculation methodology adopted in Antidumping Proceedings: Calculation of the Weighted-Average Dumping Margin and Assessment Rate in Certain Antidumping Proceedings: Final Modification, 77 FR 8101 (February 14, 2012).


22 See Certain Crystalline Silicon Photovoltaic Products: Final Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value, 73 FR 70606 (December 23, 2010).
period. Failure to comply with this requirement could result in the Department’s presumption that reimbursement of antidumping duties occurred and the subsequent assessment of double antidumping duties. These preliminary results of administrative review are issued and published in accordance with sections 751(a)(1) and 777(i)(1) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.213(h)(1).

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

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
International Trade Administration
[A–570–822, A–583–820]
Certain Helical Spring Lock Washers From the People’s Republic of China and Taiwan: Final Results of the Expedited Fourth Five-Year Sunset Reviews of the Antidumping Duty Orders

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

SUMMARY: As a result of these reviews, the Department of Commerce (the Department) finds that revocation of the antidumping duty orders on certain helical spring lock washers (lock washers) from the People’s Republic of China (PRC) and Taiwan would likely lead to a continuation or recurrence of dumping at the margins identified in the “Final Results of Review” section of this notice.


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On November 1, 2016, the Department published the notice of initiation of the fourth sunset review of the antidumping duty orders on lock washers from Taiwan and the PRC pursuant to section 751(c) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act).1 On November 4, 2016, the Department received a notice of intent to participate in both of these reviews from Shakeproof Assembly Components Division of Illinois Tool Works Inc. (the petitioner), within the deadline specified in 19 CFR 351.218(d)(1)(i). The petitioner claimed interested party status for both of these reviews under section 777(i)(1)(C) of the Act, as a producer of the domestic like product.

On December 1, 2016, the Department received a complete substantive response from the petitioner for both reviews, within the deadline specified in 19 CFR 351.218(d)(3)(i). We received no substantive responses from any respondent interested parties. As a result, pursuant to section 751(c)(3)(B) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.218(e)(1)(ii)(C)(2), the Department conducted expedited sunset reviews of these antidumping duty orders.

Scope of the Orders

The products covered by the orders are lock washers of carbon steel, of carbon alloy steel, or of stainless steel, heat-treated or non-heat-treated, plated or non-plated, with ends that are off-line. Lock washers subject to the orders are currently classifiable under subheadings 7318.21.0000, 7318.21.0030, and 7318.21.0090 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS). Although the HTSUS subheading is provided for convenience and customs purposes, the written description of the scope of this proceeding is dispositive.2

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<td>Taiwan</td>
<td>31.93</td>
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Notification to Interested Parties

This notice serves as the only reminder to parties subject to administrative protective order (APO) of their responsibility concerning the return or destruction of proprietary information disclosed under APO in accordance with 19 CFR 351.305. Timely notification of the return or destruction of APO materials or conversion to judicial protective orders is hereby requested. Failure to comply with the regulations and terms of an APO is a violation which is subject to sanction.

We are issuing and publishing these final results and notice in accordance with sections 751(c), 752(c), and 777(i)(1) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.218.

Dated: March 1, 2017.

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

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Analysis of Comments Received

All issues raised in these reviews, including the likelihood of continuation or recurrence of dumping and the magnitude of the margins likely to prevail if the orders were revoked, are addressed in the Issues and Decision Memorandum. The Issues and 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 http://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 Decision Memorandum can be accessed directly on the Internet at http://enforcement.trade.gov/frn.

Final Results of Sunset Reviews

Pursuant to sections 751(c)(1) and 752(c)(1), (2), and (3) of the Act, we determine that revocation of the antidumping duty orders on lock washers from the PRC and Taiwan would be likely to lead to continuation or recurrence of dumping up to the weighted-average margin percentages:

1 See Initiation of Five-Year (Sunset) Reviews, 81 FR 75808 (November 1, 2016).

2 A full description of the scope of the order is contained in the Memorandum from Senior Director, Office I, James Maeder to Acting Assistant Secretary Ronald K. Lorentzen, “Issues and Decision Memorandum for the Final Results of the Expedited Sunset Reviews of the Antidumping Duty Orders on Certain Helical Spring Lock Washers From the People’s Republic of China (PRC) and Taiwan,” dated concurrently with and hereby adopted by this notice (Issues and Decision Memorandum).