DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[B–23–2017]

Foreign-Trade Zone (FTZ) 203—Moses Lake, Washington, Proposed Revision to Production Authority, SGL Automotive Carbon Fibers, LLC, (Carbon Fiber), Moses Lake, Washington

SGL Automotive Carbon Fibers, LLC (SGLACF), operator of FTZ 203—Site 3, submitted a notification that proposes a revision to its existing production authority at its facility located in Moses Lake, Washington. The notification conforming to the requirements of the regulations of the FTZ Board (15 CFR 400.22) was received on March 30, 2017.

SGLACF previously requested and received FTZ Board approval for authority to produce carbon fiber from foreign-status polyacrylonitrile (PAN) fiber for export only within Site 3 of FTZ 203 (see FTZ Board Order 1889, 78 FR 16247, 3/14/2013). Under that existing authority, SGLACF must export all carbon fiber made from foreign-status PAN fiber. In the current request, SGLACF proposes to replace the export-only limitation pertaining to carbon fiber produced from foreign-status PAN fiber with a requirement for the company to admit all foreign-status PAN fiber (duty rate 7.5%) in privileged foreign (PF) status (19 CFR 146.41). SGLACF’s notification indicates the following: Production under FTZ procedures with the proposed PF status requirement for admission of foreign-status PAN fiber could exempt the company from customs duty payments on foreign-status PAN fiber used in export production. For SGLACF’s domestic sales of carbon fiber, PF status would not allow the company to elect the carbon fiber duty rate (free) on the value of foreign-status PAN fiber used to produce the carbon fiber, thereby precluding inverted tariff savings. In addition, at the time of customs entry for each shipment of carbon fiber to the U.S. market, the company would apply the PAN fiber duty rate (7.5%) on an estimated value of PAN fiber contained in scrap resulting from the production process (based on the actual percentage of scrap from the preceding year’s production). SGLACF’s scrap rate was about 1% in 2016. The company is seeking these changes to its FTZ authority for “logistical recordkeeping purposes.”

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 May 30, 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.

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Andrew McGilvray,
Executive Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[A–580–870]


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

SUMMARY: On October 14, 2016, the Department of Commerce (the Department) published the preliminary results of the administrative review of the antidumping duty order on certain oil country tubular goods (OCTG) from the Republic of Korea (Korea). The period of review (POR) is July 18, 2014, through August 31, 2015. Based on our analysis of the comments received, we have made certain changes to the margin calculations, and, therefore, the final results differ from the preliminary results. The final weighted-average dumping margins are listed below in the section “Final Results of Review.” Further, we continue to find that certain companies had no reviewable shipments of subject merchandise during the POR.

DATES: Effective April 17, 2017.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Deborah Scott or Victoria Cho, AD/CVD Operations, Office VI, Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482–2657 or (202) 482–5075, respectively.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On October 14, 2016, the Department published the Preliminary Results of this administrative review. For the events that occurred since the Preliminary Results, see the Issues and Decision Memorandum. These final results cover 50 companies. The Department conducted this review in accordance with section 751(a) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act).

Scope of the Order

The merchandise covered by the order is certain OCTG, which are hollow steel products of circular cross-section, including oil well casing and tubing, of iron (other than cast iron) or steel (both carbon and alloy), whether or not plain or seamless or welded, regardless of end finish (e.g., whether or not plain end, threaded, or threaded and coupled) whether or not conforming to American Petroleum Institute (API) or non-API specifications, whether finished (including limited service OCTG products) or unfinished (including green tubes and limited service OCTG products), whether or not thread protectors are attached. The scope of the order also covers OCTG coupling stock. For a complete description of the scope


3 The 50 companies consist of two mandatory respondents, six companies for which we made a final determination of no shipments, and 42 companies not individually examined.