SUMMARY: The Commission hereby gives notice of the institution of preliminary antidumping duty investigations of nylon staple fiber from Taiwan and of nylon staple fiber from South Korea.

For a complete description of the scope of each investigation, please refer to the Federal Register notice.

If you have any comments or questions, please contact the Commission staff responsible for this investigation.

ANALYSIS:

1. **Scope of the Investigations**
   - **Nylon Staple Fiber**: This investigation includes all nylon staple fiber (both low and high molecular weight) produced in China, Taiwan, and South Korea.
   - **Low Melt Polyester Staple Fiber**: This investigation includes all low melt polyester staple fiber produced in China, Taiwan, and South Korea.

2. **Procedures and Compliance**
   - **Procedures**: The Commission will conduct the investigations in accordance with the provisions of the Tariff Act of 1930 and associated regulations.
   - **Compliance**: All interested parties are encouraged to file complete antidumping duty petitions with the Commission.

3. **Parties Interested**
   - **Producers/Exporters**: All producers/exporters of the subject merchandise in China, Taiwan, and South Korea are encouraged to participate in these investigations.
   - **Respondents/Importers**: All importers of the subject merchandise in the United States are required to provide the requested information.

4. **Governmental and Industry Information**
   - **Governmental**: The Commission may request additional information from government entities.
   - **Industry**: The Commission may request additional information from industry associations.

5. **Impacts and Considerations**
   - **Market Conditions**: Factors such as domestic demand, supply, and production levels will be considered.
   - **Economic Impact**: The impact of these investigations on the domestic market will be analyzed.

6. **Timeline and Next Steps**
   - **Timeline**: The investigations are scheduled to run for up to 18 months.
   - **Next Steps**: The Commission will issue preliminary findings within 6 months.

For more information, please refer to the Federal Register notice.

**Notice**

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Lisa R. Barton,
Secretary to the Commission.

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injured or threatened with material injury, or the establishment of an industry in the United States is materially retarded, by reason of imports of low melt polyester staple fiber (PSF) from Korea and Taiwan, provided for in subheading 5503.20.00 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States, that are alleged to be sold in the United States at less than fair value. Unless the Department of Commerce extends the time for initiation, the Commission must reach a preliminary determination in antidumping duty investigations in 45 days, or in this case by August 11, 2017. The Commission’s views must be transmitted to Commerce within five business days thereafter, or by August 18, 2017.


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background.—These investigations are being instituted, pursuant to section 733(a) of the Tariff Act of 1930 (19 U.S.C. 1673b(a)), in response to a petition filed on June 27, 2017, by Nan Ya Plastics Corporation, America, Livingston, New Jersey.

For further information concerning the conduct of these investigations and rules of general application, consult the Commission’s Rules of Practice and Procedure, part 201, subparts A and B (19 CFR part 201), and part 207, subparts A and B (19 CFR part 207).

Participation in the investigation and public service list.—Persons (other than petitioners) wishing to participate in the investigations as parties must file an entry of appearance with the Secretary to the Commission, as provided in sections 201.11 and 207.10 of the Commission’s rules, not later than seven days after publication of this notice in the Federal Register. A separate service list will be maintained by the Secretary for those parties authorized to receive BPI under the APO.

Conference.—The Commission’s Director of Investigations has scheduled a conference in connection with these investigations for 9:30 a.m. on Tuesday, July 18, 2017, at the U.S. International Trade Commission Building, 500 E Street SW., Washington, DC. Requests to appear at the conference should be emailed to William.bishop@usitc.gov and Sharon.bellamy@usitc.gov (DO NOT FILE ON EDIS) on or before Friday, July 14, 2017. Parties in support of the imposition of antidumping duties in these investigations and parties in opposition to the imposition of such duties will each be collectively allocated one hour within which to make an oral presentation at the conference. A nonparty who has testimony that may aid the Commission’s deliberations may request permission to present a short statement at the conference.

Written submissions.—As provided in sections 201.8 and 207.15 of the Commission’s rules, any person may submit to the Commission on or before July 21, 2017, a written brief containing information and arguments pertinent to the subject matter of the investigations. Parties may file written testimony in connection with their presentation at the conference. All written submissions must conform with the provisions of section 201.8 of the Commission’s rules; any submissions that contain BPI must also conform with the requirements of sections 201.9 and 207.7 of the Commission’s rules. The Commission’s Handbook on E-Filing, available on the Commission’s Web site at https://www.usitc.gov/secretary/documents/handbook_on_filing_procedures.pdf, elaborates upon the Commission’s rules with respect to electronic filing.

In accordance with sections 201.16(c) and 207.3 of the rules, each document filed by a party to the investigations must be served on all other parties to the investigations (as identified by either the public or BPI service list), and a certificate of service must be timely filed. The Secretary will not accept a document for filing without a certificate of service.

Authority: These investigations are being conducted under authority of title VII of the Tariff Act of 1930; this notice is published pursuant to section 207.12 of the Commission’s rules.

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Lisa R. Barton,
Secretary to the Commission.

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