

**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE****International Trade Administration**

[C-122-862]

**Certain Uncoated Groundwood Paper From Canada: Postponement of Preliminary Determination in the Countervailing Duty Investigation**

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

**DATES:** Applicable October 19, 2017.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Whitley Herndon at (202) 482-6274, AD/CVD Operations, Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20230.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:****Background**

On August 29, 2017, the Department of Commerce (Department) initiated a countervailing duty (CVD) investigation on certain uncoated groundwood paper from Canada.<sup>1</sup> Currently, the preliminary determination in this investigation is due no later than November 2, 2017.

**Postponement of Preliminary Determination**

Section 703(b)(1) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act), requires the Department to issue the preliminary determination in a CVD investigation within 65 days after the date on which the Department initiated the investigation. However, section 703(c)(1) of the Act permits the Department to postpone the preliminary determination until no later than 130 days after the date on which the Department initiated the investigation if: (A) The petitioner<sup>2</sup> makes a timely request for a postponement; or (B) the Department concludes that the parties concerned are cooperating, that the investigation is extraordinarily complicated, and that additional time is necessary to make a preliminary determination. Under 19 CFR 351.205(e), the petitioner must submit a request for postponement 25 days or more before the scheduled date of the preliminary determination and must state the reasons for the request. The Department will grant the request unless

<sup>1</sup> See *Certain Uncoated Groundwood Paper from Canada: Initiation of Countervailing Duty Investigation*, 82 FR 41603 (September 1, 2017).

<sup>2</sup> In this investigation, the petitioner is North Pacific Paper Company.

it finds compelling reasons to deny the request.

On September 21, 2017, the petitioner submitted a timely request that we postpone the CVD preliminary determination. In its request, the petitioner cited the need for the Department to have sufficient time to thoroughly investigate each of the alleged subsidies, including by issuing any supplemental questionnaires.<sup>3</sup> In accordance with 19 CFR 351.205(e), the petitioner has stated the reasons for requesting a postponement of the preliminary determination, and the Department finds no compelling reason to deny the request. Therefore, pursuant to section 703(c)(1)(A) of the Act, we are extending the due date for the preliminary determination to no later than 130 days after the date on which this investigation was initiated, *i.e.*, to January 8, 2018.<sup>4</sup> Pursuant to section 705(a)(1) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.210(b)(1), the deadline for the final determination will continue to be 75 days after the date of the preliminary determination.

This notice is issued and published pursuant to section 703(c)(2) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.205(f)(1).

Dated: October 13, 2017.

**Gary Taverman,**

*Deputy Assistant Secretary for Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Operations, performing the non-exclusive functions and duties of the Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance.*

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[A-520-804]

**Certain Steel Nails From the United Arab Emirates: Continuation of Antidumping Duty Order**

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

**SUMMARY:** As a result of the determination by the Department of

<sup>3</sup> See letter from the petitioner, "Certain Uncoated Groundwood Paper from Canada/Petitioner's Request for Postponement of CVD Preliminary Determination and Extension of New Subsidy Allegations Deadline," dated September 21, 2017.

<sup>4</sup> The actual deadline is January 6, 2018, which is a Saturday. The Department's practice dictates that where a deadline falls on a weekend or federal holiday, the appropriate deadline is the next business day. See *Notice of Clarification: Application of "Next Business Day" Rule for Administrative Determination Deadlines Pursuant to the Tariff Act of 1930, As Amended*, 70 FR 24533 (May 10, 2005).

Commerce (Department) and the International Trade Commission (ITC) that revocation of the antidumping duty order on certain steel nails (nails) from the United Arab Emirates (UAE) would likely lead to a continuation or recurrence of dumping and material injury to an industry in the United States, the Department is publishing a notice of continuation of the antidumping duty order on nails from the UAE.

**DATES:** Applicable October 19, 2017.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Annathea Cook, AD/CVD Operations, Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482-0250.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:****Background**

On March 23, 2012, the Department published in the **Federal Register** its final determination in the less-than-fair value investigation of nails from the UAE.<sup>1</sup> On May 10, 2012, following an affirmative injury determination by the International Trade Commission (ITC), the Department published its amended final determination and the antidumping duty *Order* on nails from the UAE.<sup>2</sup>

On April 3, 2017, the Department published the notice of initiation of the first sunset review of the *Order*, pursuant to section 751(c) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (Act). The Department conducted the sunset review on an expedited basis, pursuant to section 751(c)(3)(B) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.218(e)(1)(ii)(C)(2), because it received a complete and adequate response from a domestic interested party, but no substantive responses from respondent interested parties.<sup>3</sup> As a result of its expedited sunset review, the Department determined that revocation of the *Order* would likely lead to a continuation or recurrence of dumping.<sup>4</sup> The Department, therefore, notified the ITC of the magnitude of the margins likely to prevail should the *Order* be revoked. On October 5, 2017, the ITC published notice of its determination,

<sup>1</sup> See *Certain Steel Nails from the United Arab Emirates: Final Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value*, 77 FR 17029 (March 23, 2012).

<sup>2</sup> See *Certain Steel Nails from the United Arab Emirates: Amended Final Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value and Antidumping Duty Order*, 77 FR 27421 (May 10, 2012) (*Order*).

<sup>3</sup> See *Initiation of Five-Year (Sunset) Reviews*, 82 FR 16159 (April 3, 2017).

<sup>4</sup> See *Certain Steel Nails from the United Arab Emirates Final Results of the Expedited Sunset Reviews of the Antidumping Duty Order*, 82 FR 36731 (August 7, 2017).