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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### International Trade Administration

[A-469-805]

#### Stainless Steel Bar From Spain: Preliminary Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review; 2016-2017

**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 stainless steel bar (SSB) from Spain. The period of review (POR) is March 1, 2016, through February 28, 2017. The review covers one producer/exporter of the subject merchandise, Sidenor Aceros Especiales, S.L. (Sidenor). The Department preliminarily finds that subject merchandise has been sold in the United States at prices below normal value (NV) during the POR. Interested parties are invited to comment on these preliminary results.

**DATES:** Applicable December 4, 2017.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Kabir Archuleta, AD/CVD Operations, Office V, Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482-2593.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### Scope of the Order

The product covered by this investigation is SSB from Spain. For a full description of the scope see the Preliminary Decision Memorandum dated concurrently with and hereby adopted by this notice.<sup>1</sup>

##### Methodology

The Department is conducting this review in accordance with section 751(a)(1)(B) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act). For a full description of the methodology underlying our conclusions, see the Preliminary Decision Memorandum. A

list of the topics included in the Preliminary Decision Memorandum is included as an appendix to this notice. The Preliminary Decision Memorandum is a public document and is made available to the public via Enforcement and Compliance's Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Centralized Electronic Service System (ACCESS). ACCESS is available to registered users at <https://access.trade.gov>, and it is available to all parties in the Central Records Unit, Room B8024 of the main Department of Commerce building. In addition, a complete version of the Preliminary Decision Memorandum is available at <http://enforcement.trade.gov/frn/>. The signed Preliminary Decision Memorandum and the electronic versions of the Preliminary Decision Memorandum are identical in content.

#### Preliminary Results of Review

We preliminarily determine that, for the period of March 1, 2016, through February 28, 2017, the following weighted-average dumping margin exists:

Exporter/producer	Weighted-average dumping margin (percent)
Sidenor Aceros Especiales, S.L. <sup>2</sup> .....	13.62

#### Disclosure and Public Comment

We intend to disclose the calculations performed to parties within five days after public announcement of the preliminary results. Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.309(c), interested parties may submit case briefs not 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 not later than five days after the date for filing case briefs. Parties who submit case briefs or rebuttal briefs in this proceeding are encouraged to submit with each argument: (1) A statement of the issue, (2) a brief summary of the argument, and (3) a table of authorities. Case and rebuttal briefs should be filed using ACCESS.

Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.310(c), interested parties who wish to request a hearing must submit a written request to the Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance, filed electronically via ACCESS. An electronically filed

document must be received successfully in its entirety by the Department's electronic records system, ACCESS, by 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time 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 issues to be discussed. Issues raised in the hearing will be limited to those raised in the respective case briefs. The Department intends to issue the final results of this administrative review, including the results of its analysis of the issues raised in any written briefs, not later than 120 days after the date of publication of this notice, pursuant to section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.213(h)(1).

#### Assessment Rates

Upon issuance of the final results, the Department shall determine, and U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) shall assess, antidumping duties on all appropriate entries covered by this review. If Sidenor's weight-average dumping margin is not zero or *de minimis* (i.e., less than 0.5 percent), we will calculate an importer-specific *ad valorem* antidumping duty assessment rate based on the ratio of the total amount of dumping calculated for the importer's examined sales to the total entered value of those same sales in accordance with 19 CFR 351.212(b)(1). We will instruct CBP to assess antidumping duties on all appropriate entries covered by this review when the importer-specific assessment rate calculated in the final results of this review is not zero or *de minimis*. If Sidenor's weighted-average dumping margin is zero or *de minimis*, we will instruct CBP to liquidate the appropriate entries without regard to antidumping duties. The final results of this review shall be the basis for the assessment of antidumping duties on entries of merchandise covered by this review where applicable.

In accordance with the Department's "automatic assessment" practice, for entries of subject merchandise during the POR produced by Sidenor for which it did not know that the merchandise was destined for the United States, we will instruct CBP to liquidate those entries at the all-others rate if there is no rate for the intermediate company(ies) involved in the transaction. We intend to issue instructions to CBP 15 days after the publication date of the final results of this review.

#### Cash Deposit Requirements

The following cash deposit requirements will be effective upon publication of the notice of final results

<sup>1</sup> See Memorandum, "Decision Memorandum for the Preliminary Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review: Stainless Steel Bar from Spain; 2016-2017," dated concurrently with this notice (Preliminary Decision Memorandum).

<sup>2</sup> On December 2, 2016, the Department determined that Sidenor is the successor-in-interest to Gerdau Aceros Especiales Europa S.L. See *Notice of Final Results of Antidumping Duty Changed Circumstances Review: Stainless Steel Bar from Spain*, 81 FR 87021 (December 2, 2016).

of administrative review for all shipments of the subject merchandise entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after the publication date of the final results of this administrative review, as provided by section 751(a)(2)(C) of the Act: (1) The cash deposit rate for Sidenor will be the rate established in the final results of this administrative review; (2) for merchandise exported by producers or exporters not covered in this administrative review but covered in a prior segment of the proceeding, the cash deposit rate will continue to be the company-specific rate published for the most recently completed segment of this proceeding; (3) if the exporter is not a firm covered in this review, a prior review, or the original investigation, but the producer is, the cash deposit rate will be the rate established for the most recently completed segment of this proceeding for the producer of the subject merchandise; and (4) the cash deposit rate for all other manufacturers or exporters will continue to be 25.77 percent, the all-others rate established in the investigation.<sup>3</sup> These cash deposit requirements, when imposed, shall remain in effect until further notice.

#### Notification to Importers

This notice serves as a preliminary reminder to importers of their responsibility under 19 CFR 351.402(f)(2) to file a certificate regarding the reimbursement of antidumping duties prior to liquidation of the relevant entries during this POR. Failure to comply with this requirement could result in the Secretary's presumption that reimbursement of antidumping duties occurred and increase the subsequent assessment of the antidumping duties by the amount of the antidumping duties reimburses.

The preliminary results of review are issued and published in accordance with sections 751(a)(1) and 777(i) of the Act.

Dated: November 27, 2017.

#### Carole Showers,

*Executive Director, Office of Policy performing the duties of the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance.*

#### Appendix

##### List of Topics Discussed in the Preliminary Decision Memorandum

1. Summary
2. Background
3. Scope of the Order
4. Discussion of the Methodology

<sup>3</sup> See *Notice of Final Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value: Stainless Steel Bar from Spain*, 59 FR 66931 (December 28, 1994).

- a. Determination of the Comparison Method
  - b. Results of the Differential Pricing Analysis
5. Product Comparisons
  6. Date of Sale
  7. Export Price
  8. Normal Value
    - a. Home Market Viability as Comparison Market
    - b. Level of Trade
    - c. Sales to Affiliates
    - d. Cost of Production
      1. Calculation of COP
      2. Test of Comparison Market Sales Prices
      3. Results of the COP Test
    - e. Calculation of Normal Value Based on Comparison Market Prices
    - f. Price to Constructed Value Comparison
  9. Currency Conversion
  10. Recommendation

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### International Trade Administration

[C-570-991]

#### Chlorinated Isocyanurates From the People's Republic of China: Preliminary Results of Countervailing Duty Administrative Review; 2015

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

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Commerce (the Department) preliminarily determines that countervailable subsidies are being provided to producers and exporters of chlorinated isocyanurates (chloro isos) from the People's Republic of China (the PRC). The period of review (POR) is January 1, 2015 to December 31, 2015. The administrative review covers three producers/exporters: (1) Hebei Jiheng Chemical Co., Ltd. (Hebei Jiheng); (2) Heze Huayi Chemical Co., Ltd. (Huayi); and (3) Juancheng Kangtai Chemical Co., Ltd. (Kangtai). We preliminarily determine that these companies received countervailable subsidies during the POR related to certain programs. Interested parties are invited to comment on these preliminary results.

**DATES:** Applicable December 4, 2017.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Julia Hancock or Omar Qureshi, AD/CVD Operations, Office V, Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20230; telephone (202) 482-1394 or (202) 482-5307, respectively.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

#### Scope of the Order

The products covered by the order are chloro isos, which are derivatives are cyanuric acid, described as chlorinated s-triazine triones.<sup>1</sup> Chloro isos are currently classifiable under subheadings 2933.69.6015, 2933.69.6021, 2933.69.6050, 3808.50.4000, 3808.94.5000, and 3808.99.9500 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS). The HTSUS subheadings are provided for convenience and customs purposes; the written product description of the scope of the order is dispositive.

#### Methodology

On November 13, 2014, the Department published in the **Federal Register** a countervailing duty (CVD) order on chloro isos from the PRC.<sup>2</sup> The Department is conducting this administrative review in accordance with section 751(a)(1)(A) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act). For each of the subsidy programs found countervailable, we preliminarily find that there is a subsidy (*i.e.*, a financial contribution from an authority that gives rise to a benefit to the recipient), and that the subsidy is specific.<sup>3</sup> In making this preliminary determination, the Department relied, in part, on facts otherwise available, with the application of adverse inferences.<sup>4</sup> For further information, see "Use of Facts Otherwise Available and Adverse Inferences" in the accompanying Preliminary Decision Memorandum.<sup>5</sup> A list of topics discussed in the Preliminary Decision Memorandum is provided at the Appendix to this notice.

The Preliminary 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 is available to all parties in the Central Records Unit, Room B8024 of the main

<sup>1</sup> For a complete description of the Scope of the Order, see *Countervailing Duty Administrative Review of Chlorinated Isocyanurates from the People's Republic of China: Decision Memorandum for the Preliminary Results*, published concurrently with this notice.

<sup>2</sup> *Id.*

<sup>3</sup> See sections 771(5)(B) and (D) of the Act regarding financial contribution; section 771(5)(E) of the Act regarding benefit; and section 771(5A) of the Act regarding specificity.

<sup>4</sup> See section 776(a) of the Act.

<sup>5</sup> See Memorandum, "Decision Memorandum for Preliminary Results of Countervailing Duty Administrative Review: Chlorinated Isocyanurates from the People's Republic of China," dated concurrently with, and hereby adopted by, this notice (Preliminary Decision Memorandum).