DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[C–570–083]

Certain Steel Wheels From the People’s Republic of China: Postponement of Preliminary Determination in the Countervailing Duty Investigation

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


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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On April 16, 2018, the Department of Commerce (Commerce) initiated the countervailing duty (CVD) investigation of certain steel wheels (steel wheels) from the People’s Republic of China (China). Currently, the preliminary determination is due no later than June 20, 2018.

Postponement of the Preliminary Determination

Section 703(b)(1) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act), requires Commerce to issue the preliminary determination in a CVD investigation within 65 days after the date on which Commerce initiated the investigation. However, section 703(c)(1)(A) of the Act permits Commerce to postpone the preliminary determination until no later than 130 days after the date on which Commerce initiated the investigation if a petitioner makes a timely request for a postponement. Under 19 CFR 351.205(e), a petitioner must submit a request for postponement 25 days or more before the scheduled date of the preliminary determination and must state the reason for the request. Commerce will grant the request unless it finds compelling reasons to deny the request.

On May 15, 2018, Accuride Corporation and Maxion Wheels Akron LLC (collectively, the petitioners) submitted a timely request pursuant to section 703(c)(1)(A) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.205(b)(2) and (e) to postpone the preliminary determination. The petitioners stated that due to the number and nature of subsidy programs under investigation, the purpose of its request was to provide Commerce with adequate time to examine the amount of subsidies received by producers and exporters of subject merchandise in China.

In accordance with 19 CFR 351.205(e), the petitioners have stated the reasons for postponement of the preliminary determination, and the record does not present any compelling reasons to deny the request. Therefore, in accordance with section 703(c)(1)(A) of the Act, Commerce is postponing the deadline for the preliminary determination to August 24, 2018. Pursuant to section 705(a)(l) 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, unless postponed at a later date.

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


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

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Notice of Scope Rulings

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


SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce (Commerce) hereby publishes a list of scope rulings and anticircumvention determinations made between January 1, 2017, and March 31, 2017, inclusive. We intend to publish future lists after the close of the next calendar quarter.


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

Commerce regulations provide that the Secretary will publish in the Federal Register a list of scope rulings on a quarterly basis. Our most recent notification of scope rulings was published on May 22, 2018. This current notice covers all scope rulings and anticircumvention determinations made by Enforcement and Compliance between January 1, 2017, and March 31, 2017, inclusive. Three additional subsequent lists will immediately follow to bring these quarterly notices up to date.

Scope Rulings Made Between January 1, 2017, and March 31, 2017

Socialist Republic of Vietnam


Requestor: OMG, Inc; zinc anchors which are designed to attach termination bars to concrete or masonry walls are within the scope of the antidumping and countervailing duty orders; February 6, 2017.

People’s Republic of China

A–570–901: Lined Paper Products From the People’s Republic of China

Requestor: Blue Sky the Color of Imagination LLC; eight styles of office planners/calendars are not covered by the scope of the antidumping order on certain lined paper products from the People’s Republic of China because the products meet exclusion criteria generally known as “office planners” and “appointment books;” March 23, 2017.

A–570–881: Malleable Cast Iron Pipe Fitting From the People’s Republic of China

Requestor: Atkore Steel Components, Inc.; cast iron electrical conduit articles are subject to the scope of the order on malleable cast iron pipe fitting from the People’s Republic of China; March 16, 2017.

A–570–020 and C–570–021: Melamine From the People’s Republic of China

Requestor: JLS Chemical Inc.; certain melamine-based flame retardant products (i.e., melamine cyanurate, melamine polyphosphate, and ammonium-melamine-piperazine polyphosphate) are not subject to the


2 See 19 CFR 351.205(e).