5. Information regarding the ownership and control of the sponsoring entity, including the stock holdings as appropriate.

6. The sponsoring entity’s size, place of incorporation, product or service line, major markets in which the entity operates, and the entity’s export or import experience.

7. A profile of the entity’s foreign direct investment activities, including investment activities, investment plans, investment-facilitation activities, or other foreign direct investment activities.

8. Brief statement describing how the applicant will contribute to the work of the Council based on his or her unique experience and perspective (not to exceed 100 words).

9. All relevant contact information, including mailing address, fax, email, phone number, and support staff information where relevant.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[A–570–629]


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

SUMMARY: On April 16, 2018, the Department of Commerce (Commerce) published a notice of initiation of an administrative review of the antidumping duty order on small diameter graphite electrodes from the People’s Republic of China (China). Based on the timely withdrawal of the requests for review of certain companies, we are now rescinding this administrative review for the period February 1, 2017, through January 31, 2018, with respect to 191 companies.


FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dennis McClure or John Anwesen, AD/CVD Operations, Office VIII, Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482–3973 or (202) 482–0131, respectively.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On February 26, 2009, Commerce published in the Federal Register the antidumping duty order on small diameter graphite electrodes from China.1 On February 1, 2018, Commerce published a notice of opportunity to request an administrative review of the antidumping duty order on small diameter graphite electrodes from China for the period of review February 1, 2017, through January 31, 2018.2

On February 28, 2018, Tokai Carbon GE LLC (the petitioner)3 requested an administrative review of the order for 192 producers and/or exporters of the subject merchandise, including Fushun Jinli Petrochemical Carbon Co., Ltd.4 In addition, on February 28, 2018, producer and exporter Fushun Jinly Petrochemical Carbon Co., Ltd. requested a review of itself.5 On April 16, 2018, in accordance with section 751(a) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act), and 19 CFR 351.221(c)(1)(i), we initiated an administrative review of the order on small diameter graphite electrodes from China with respect to 193 companies.6 On May 4, 2018, the petitioner withdrew its administrative review request for 191 out of the 192 companies for which it requested a review.7 See the Initiation Notice for the full list of companies for which Commerce initiated a review.

Special Trade Measures Act, Analysis and Certain Countervailing Duty Order, Finding, or Suspended Investigation; Opportunity to Request Administrative Review; 83 FR 4639 (February 1, 2018).

1 See Antidumping Duty Order: Small Diameter Graphite Electrodes from the People’s Republic of China; 74 FR 8775 (February 26, 2009).

2 See Antidumping or Countervailing Duty Order, Finding, or Suspended Investigation; Opportunity to Request Administrative Review, 83 FR 4639 (February 1, 2018).

3 Formerly, SGL Carbon LLC and Superior Graphite Co.


5 See Fushun Jinli Petrochemical Carbon Co., Ltd.’s, “Small Diameter Graphite Electrodes from the People’s Republic of China: Request for an Antidumping Administrative Review,” dated February 28, 2018. For purposes of this review, we are treating Fushun Jinli Petrochemical Carbon Co., Ltd. and Fushun Jinly Petrochemical Carbon Co., Ltd. as the same respondent company.


7 In a prior administrative review of electrodes from China, we found that Fushun Jinli Petrochemical Carbon Co., Ltd. is the same entity as Fushun Jinli Petrochemical Carbon Co., Ltd. See, e.g., Small Diameter Graphite Electrodes from the People’s Republic of China: Final Results of the Antidumping Duty Administrative Review, 77 FR 40854, 40856 n.3 (July 11, 2012). Consistent with this determination, in the absence of contrary evidence, we are treating these companies as the same entity. See also Memorandum, “Antidumping Duty Administrative Review: Small Diameter Graphite Electrodes form the People’s Republic of China—Respondent Selection,” dated May 15, 2018.

Partial Rescission of Review

Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.213(d)(1), Commerce will rescind an administrative review, in whole or in part, if the party that requested the review withdraws its request within 90 days of the publication of the notice of initiation of the requested review. In this case, the petitioner timely withdrew its review request, in part, by the 90-day deadline, and no other party requested an administrative review of the antidumping duty order for the companies for which the petitioner withdrew its review request. Therefore, we are rescinding the administrative review of the antidumping duty order on small diameter graphite electrodes from China for the period February 1, 2017, through January 31, 2018, with respect to the 191 companies for which all review requests were withdrawn. The review will continue only with respect to the remaining company Fushun Jinli Petrochemical Carbon Co., Ltd. aka Fushun Jinli Petrochemical Carbon Co., Ltd.8

Assessment

Commerce will instruct U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) to assess antidumping duties on all appropriate entries. For the companies for which this review is rescinded, antidumping duties shall be assessed on the subject merchandise at rates equal to the cash deposit of estimated antidumping duties required at the time of entry, or withdrawal from warehouse, for consumption, in accordance with 19 CFR 351.221(c)(1)(i). Commerce intends to issue appropriate assessment instructions to CBP 15 days after publication of this notice in the Federal Register.

Notification to Importers

This notice serves as a final 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 review period. Failure to comply with this requirement could
result in Commerce’s presumption that reimbursement of the antidumping duties occurred and the subsequent assessment of doubled antidumping duties.

Notification Regarding Administrative Protective Orders

This notice also serves as a reminder to parties subject to administrative protective order (APO) of their responsibility concerning the disposition of proprietary information disclosed under APO in accordance with 19 CFR 351.305(a)(3), which continues to govern business proprietary information in this segment of the proceeding. Timely written notification of the return or destruction of APO materials, or conversion to judicial protective order, is hereby requested. Failure to comply with the regulations and terms of an APO is is a sanctionable violation.

This notice is issued and published in accordance with sections 751(a)(1) and 777(i)(1) of the Act, and 19 CFR 351.213(d)(4). Dated: June 19, 2018.

James Maeder,
Associate Deputy Assistant Secretary for Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Operations performing the duties of Deputy Assistant Secretary for Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Operations.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
International Trade Administration
[A–583–864]

Steel Propane Cylinders From Taiwan: Termination of Less-Than-Fair-Value Investigation

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

SUMMARY: Based on Worthington Industries and Manchester Tank & Equipment Co.’s (the petitioners) withdrawal of the antidumping duty (AD) petition on steel propane cylinders from Taiwan, we are terminating the less-than-fair-value (LTFV) investigation.


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On May 22, 2018, Commerce received AD petitions concerning imports of steel propane cylinders from China, Taiwan and Thailand, filed on behalf of the petitioners.1 On June 11, 2018, Commerce initiated the LTFV investigations of steel propane cylinders from China, Taiwan and Thailand, which were published in the Federal Register on June 18, 2018.2 On June 14, 2018, the petitioners submitted a letter withdrawing the AD petition with respect to Taiwan.3 Section 351.207(b)(1) of Commerce’s regulations stipulates that the Secretary may terminate an investigation, provided it has concluded that termination of the investigation is in the public interest.4 Because the petitioners have withdrawn their May 22, 2017, AD petition with respect to Taiwan, and have requested that Commerce terminate this investigation, we determine that termination of this investigation is in the public interest, pursuant to 19 CFR 351.207(b)(1).5 Accordingly, pursuant to section 734(a)(1)(A) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act), and 19 CFR 351.207(b)(1), we are terminating the LTFV investigation with respect to Taiwan.

Termination of Investigation

In accordance with section 734(a)(1)(A) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.207(b)(1), upon the petitioners’ withdrawal of the Taiwan petition, we are terminating the LTFV investigation of steel propane cylinders from Taiwan.

Dated: June 20, 2018.

Gary Tavenner,
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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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

1 See the petitioners’ letter, “Steel Propane Cylinders from the People’s Republic of China, Taiwan, and Thailand: Petition for the Imposement of Antidumping and Countervailing Duties,” dated May 22, 2018 (the Petition). For the purposes of the instant notice, all references to ‘the Petition’ refer specifically to the AD Petition with respect to Taiwan.


4 See 19 CFR 351.207(b)(1).

5 See Withdrawal Letter at 1–2.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
International Trade Administration
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Rubber Bands From the People’s Republic of China and Thailand: Postponement of Preliminary Determinations in the Less-Than-Fair-Value Investigations

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


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On February 20, 2018, the Department of Commerce (Commerce) initiated less-than-fair-value (LTFV) investigations of imports of rubber bands from China, Sri Lanka, and Thailand.1 On March 19, 2018, the U.S. International Trade Commission (ITC) notified Commerce of its affirmative preliminary determination with respect to China and Thailand, its negligibility determination concerning imports of rubber bands from Sri Lanka, and its termination of its investigation of imports from Sri Lanka.2 On March 22, the ITC published in the Federal Register a notice of its preliminary determination with respect to China and Thailand, and its determination that imports of rubber bands from Sri Lanka are negligible.3 Because the ITC has terminated its investigation of rubber bands from Sri Lanka, Commerce’s investigation is also terminated.4 The preliminary determinations for China and Thailand remain.


7 See the ITC’s letter dated March 19, 2018 (Notification of ITC Preliminary Determinations); see also Rubber Bands from China, Sri Lanka, and Thailand: Determinations, 83 FR 12594 (March 22, 2018); see also ITC publication 4770 (March 2018), Rubber Bands from China, Sri Lanka, and Thailand, Investigation Nos. 701–TA–598–600 and 731–TA–1408–1410 (Preliminary) at page 1.


9 See 19 CFR 351.207(d) (stating that Commerce’s investigation terminates automatically upon the publication in the Federal Register of the ITC’s negative preliminary determination).