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COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS

Notice of Public Meeting of the Michigan Advisory Committee

AGENCY: U.S. Commission on Civil Rights.

ACTION: Announcement of meeting.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the provisions of the rules and regulations of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights (Commission) and the Federal Advisory Committee Act that the Michigan Advisory Committee (Committee) will hold a meeting on Wednesday July 18, 2018, at 3 p.m. EDT for the purpose of discussing civil rights concerns in the state.

DATES: The meeting will be held on Wednesday July 18, 2018, at 3 p.m. EDT.


FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Melissa Wojnaroski, DFO, at mwojnaroski@usccr.gov or 312–353–8311.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Members of the public can listen to the discussion. This meeting is available to the public through the above toll-free call-in number. Any interested member of the public may call this number and listen to the meeting. An open comment period will be provided to allow members of the public to make a statement as time allows. The conference call operator will ask callers to identify themselves, the organization they are affiliated with (if any), and an email address prior to placing callers into the conference room. Callers can expect to incur regular charges for calls they initiate over wireless lines, according to their wireless plan. The Commission will not refund any incurred charges. Callers will incur no charge for calls they initiate over landline connections to the toll-free telephone number. Persons with hearing impairments may also follow the proceedings by first calling the Federal Relay Service at 1–800–877–8339 and providing the Service with the conference call number and conference ID number.

Members of the public are also entitled to submit written comments; the comments must be received in the regional office within 30 days following the meeting. Written comments may be mailed to the Midwestern Regional Office, U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, 230 S Dearborn St., Suite 2120, Chicago, IL 60604. They may also be faxed to the Commission at (312) 353–8324, or emailed to Carolyn Allen at callen@usccr.gov. Persons who desire additional information may contact the Midwestern Regional Office at (312) 353–8311.

Records generated from this meeting may be inspected and reproduced at the Midwestern Regional Office, as they become available, both before and after the meeting. Records of the meeting will be available via www.facadatabase.gov under the Commission on Civil Rights, Michigan Advisory Committee link (http://www.facadatabase.govcommittee/meetings.aspx?cid=255). Persons interested in the work of this Committee are directed to the Commission’s website, http://www.usccr.gov, or may contact the Midwestern Regional Office at the above email or street address.

Agenda
Welcome and Introductions
Discussion: Civil Rights in Michigan
Public Comment
Future Plans and Actions

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[5–66–2018]

Approval of Subzone Expansion; Brake Parts Inc.; Hazleton, Pennsylvania

On April 30, 2018, the Executive Secretary of the Foreign-Trade Zones (FTZ) Board docketed an application submitted by the Eastern Distribution Center, Inc., grantee of FTZ 24, requesting an expansion of Subzone 24E on behalf of Brake Parts Inc in Hazleton, Pennsylvania.

The application was processed in accordance with the FTZ Act and Regulations, including notice in the Federal Register inviting public comment (83 FR 19524, May 3, 2018). The FTZ staff examiner reviewed the application and determined that it meets the criteria for approval. Pursuant to the authority delegated to the FTZ Board Executive Secretary (15 CFR 400.36(f), the application to establish Subzone 24E was approved on June 26, 2018, subject to the FTZ Act and the Board’s regulations, including Section 400.13, and further subject to FTZ 29’s 2,000-acre activation limit.

Dated: June 26, 2018.
Elizabeth Whiteman,
Acting Executive Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[5–533–882]

Large Diameter Welded Pipe From India: Preliminary Affirmative Countervailing Duty Determination and Alignment of Final Determination With Final Antidumping Duty Determination

AGENCY: Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.
SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce (Commerce) preliminarily determines that countervailable subsidies are being provided to producers and exporters of large diameter welded pipe (welded pipe) from India for the period of investigation of January 1, 2017, through December 31, 2017. Interested parties are invited to comment on this preliminary determination.


FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Suzanne Lam or Robert Palmer, 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) 482–0783 or (202) 482–9068, respectively.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

This preliminary determination is made in accordance with section 703(b) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act). Commerce published the notice of initiation of this investigation on February 20, 2018.\(^2\) On April 2, 2018, Commerce postponed the preliminary determination of this investigation and the revised deadline is now June 19, 2018.\(^3\) For a complete description of the events that followed the initiation of this investigation, see the Preliminary Decision Memorandum.\(^3\) A list of topics discussed in the Preliminary Decision Memorandum is included as Appendix II 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 Department of Commerce building. In addition, a complete version of the Preliminary Decision Memorandum can be accessed directly at http://enforcement.trade.gov/sradovich on DSK3GMQ082PROD with NOTICES.

\(^{1}\) See Large Diameter Welded Pipe from India, the People’s Republic of China, the Republic of Korea, and the Republic of Turkey: Postponement of Preliminary Determinations in the Countervailing Duty Investigations, 83 FR 7148 (February 20, 2018) (Initiation Notice).

\(^{2}\) See Large Diameter Welded Pipe from India, the People’s Republic of China, the Republic of Korea, and the Republic of Turkey: Initiation of Countervailing Duty Investigations, 83 FR 7148 (February 20, 2018) (Initiation Notice).

\(^{3}\) See Memorandum, “Decision Memorandum for the Preliminary Determination of the Countervailing Duty Investigation of Large Diameter Welded Pipe from India,” dated concurrently with, and hereby adopted by, this notice (Preliminary Decision Memorandum).

\(^{4}\) See Antidumping Duties; Countervailing Duties, Final Rule, 62 FR 27296, 27323 (May 19, 1997).

\(^{5}\) See Initiation Notice.

\(^{6}\) See Memorandum, “Large Diameter Welded Pipe from Canada, Greece, India, the People’s Republic of China, the Republic of Korea, and the Republic of Turkey: Scope Comments Decision Memorandum for the Preliminary Determinations,” dated concurrently with this notice (Preliminary Scope Decision Memorandum).

\(^{7}\) 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(5)(A) of the Act regarding specificity.

\(^{8}\) See sections 776(a) and (b) of the Act.


Scope of the Investigation

The product covered by this investigation is welded pipe from India. For a complete description of the scope of this investigation, see Appendix I.

Scope Comments

In accordance with the preamble to Commerce’s regulations,\(^4\) the Initiation Notice set aside a period of time for parties to raise issues regarding product coverage (i.e., scope).\(^5\) Certain interested parties commented on the scope of the investigation as it appeared in the Initiation Notice. For a summary of the product coverage comments and rebuttal responses submitted to the record for this preliminary determination, and accompanying discussion and analysis of all comments timely received, see the Preliminary Scope Decision Memorandum.\(^6\) Commerce is preliminarily modifying the scope language as it appeared in the Initiation Notice. See revised scope in Appendix I. Interested parties will have the opportunity to submit case and rebuttal briefs on the preliminary scope determinations. We will notify parties of the due dates for these briefs at a later time.

Methodology

Commerce is conducting this investigation in accordance with section 701 of the Act. For each of the subsidy programs found countervailable, Commerce preliminarily determines that there is a subsidy, i.e., a financial contribution by an “authority” that gives rise to a benefit to the recipient, and that the subsidy is specific.\(^7\) Commerce notes that, in making these findings, it relied, in part, on facts available and, because it finds that one or more respondents did not act to the best of their ability to respond to Commerce’s requests for information, it drew an adverse inference where appropriate in selecting from among the facts otherwise available.\(^8\) For further information, see “Use of Facts Otherwise Available and Adverse Inferences” in the Preliminary Decision Memorandum.

Alignment

In accordance with section 705(a)(1) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.210(b)(4), Commerce is aligning the final countervailing duty (CVD) determination in this investigation with the final determination in the companion antidumping duty (AD) investigation of welded pipe from India, based on a request made by American Cast Iron Pipe Company, Berg Steel Pipe Corp./Berg Spiral Pipe Corp, Dura-Bond Industries, Skyline Steel, Stupp Corporation, Greens Bayou Pipe Mill, LP, JSW Steel (USA) Inc., and Trinity Products LLC (collectively, the petitioners).\(^9\) Consequently, the final CVD determination will be issued on the same date as the final AD determination, which is currently scheduled to be issued no later than November 5, 2018, unless postponed.

All-Others Rate

Sections 703(d) and 705(c)(5)(A) of the Act provide that in the preliminary determination, Commerce shall determine an estimated all-others rate for companies not individually investigated. This rate shall be an amount equal to the weighted average of the estimated subsidy rates established for those companies individually investigated, excluding any zero and de minimis rates and any rates based entirely under section 776 of the Act.

Pursuant to section 705(c)(5)(A)(ii) of the Act, if the individual estimated countervailable subsidy rates established for all exporters and producers individually investigated are zero, de minimis or determined based entirely on facts otherwise available, Commerce may use any reasonable method to establish the estimated subsidy rate for all-other producers or exporters. In this case, the countervailable subsidy rate calculated for the investigated companies is based entirely on facts available under section 776 of the Act. However, there is no other information on the record upon which to determine an all-others rate. As a result, we have used the rate assigned to Bhushan Steel and Welspun Trading Limited as the all-others rate.
This method is consistent with Commerce's past practice.10

**Preliminary Determination**

Commerce preliminarily determines that the following estimated countervailable subsidy rates exist:

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**Suspension of Liquidation**

In accordance with section 703(d)(1)(B) and (d)(2) of the Act, Commerce will direct U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) to suspend liquidation of entries of subject merchandise as described in the scope of the investigation section entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after the date of publication of this notice in the Federal Register. Further, pursuant to 19 CFR 351.205(d), Commerce will instruct CBP to require a cash deposit equal to the rates indicated above.

**Disclosure**

Normally, Commerce discloses to interested parties the calculations performed in connection with a preliminary determination within five days of its public announcement, or if there is no public announcement, within five days of the date of publication of the notice of preliminary determination in the Federal Register, in accordance with 19 CFR 351.224(b). However, because Commerce preliminarily applied AFA to the individually examined companies (Bhushan Steel and Welspun Trading Limited) in this investigation, in accordance with section 776 of the Act, and because our calculation of the AFA subsidy rate is outlined in Appendix I of the Preliminary Decision Memorandum, there are no further calculations to disclose.

**Verification**

Because the examined respondents in this investigation did not provide information requested by Commerce, and Commerce preliminarily determines each of the examined respondents to have been uncooperative, it will not conduct verification of the mandatory respondents. The Government of India (GOI) did provide some information requested by Commerce; Commerce intends to seek additional information after the preliminary determination concerning certain programs the GOI claimed the mandatory respondents did not use, and may verify any information received, if appropriate.

**Public Comment**

Case briefs or other written comments may be submitted to the Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance at a date to be determined. Rebuttal briefs, limited to issues raised in case briefs, may be submitted no later than five days after the deadline date for case briefs.11 Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.309(c)(2) and (d)(2), parties who submit case briefs or rebuttal briefs in this investigation 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.

Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.310(c), interested parties who wish to request a hearing, limited to issues raised in the case and rebuttal briefs, must submit a written request to the Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance, U.S. Department of Commerce within 30 days after the date of publication of this notice. Requests should contain the party’s name, address, and telephone number, the number of participants, whether any participant is a foreign national, and a list of the issues to be discussed. If a request for a hearing is made, Commerce intends to hold the hearing at the U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20230, at a time and date to be determined. Parties should confirm by telephone the date, time, and location of the hearing two days before the scheduled date.

**International Trade Commission Notification**

In accordance with section 703(f) of the Act, Commerce will notify the International Trade Commission (ITC) of its preliminary determination. Pursuant to section 705(b)(2) of the Act, if the final determination is affirmative, the ITC will make its final injury determination before the later of 120 days after the date of Commerce’s affirmative preliminary determination or 45 days after the date of Commerce’s affirmative final determination.

**Notification to Interested Parties**

This determination is issued and published pursuant to sections 703(f) and 777(i) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.205(c).

Dated: June 19, 2018.

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

**Appendix I**

**Scope of the Investigation**

The merchandise covered by this investigation is welded carbon and alloy steel pipe (including stainless steel pipe), more than 406.4 mm (16 inches) in nominal outside diameter (large diameter welded pipe), regardless of wall thickness, length, surface finish, grade, end finish, or stenciling. Large diameter welded pipe may be used to transport oil, gas, slurry, steam, or other fluids, liquids, or gases. It may also be used for structural purposes, including, but not limited to, piling. Specifically, not included is large diameter welded pipe produced only to specifications of the American Water Works Association (AWWA) for water and sewage pipe. Large diameter welded pipe used to transport oil, gas, or natural gas liquids is normally produced to the American Petroleum Institute (API) specification 5L. Large diameter welded pipe may also be produced to American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM) standards A500, A525, or A53, or other relevant domestic specifications, grades and/or standards. Large diameter welded pipe can be produced to comparable foreign specifications, grades and/or standards or to proprietary specifications, grades and/or standards, or can be non-graded material. All pipe meeting the physical description set forth above is covered by the scope of this investigation, whether or not produced according to a particular standard.

Subject merchandise also includes large diameter welded pipe that has been further processed in a third country, including but not limited to coating, painting, notching, beveling, cutting, punching, welding, or any other processing that would not otherwise remove the merchandise from the scope of the investigation if performed in the country of manufacture of the in-scope large diameter welded pipe.

The large diameter welded pipe that is subject to this investigation is currently classifiable in the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS) under subheadings 7305.11.1030, 7305.11.1060, 7305.11.5000, 7305.12.1030, 7305.12.1060, 7305.12.5000, 7305.19.1030, 7305.19.1060, 7305.19.5000, 7305.31.4000, 7305.31.6010, 7305.31.6090, 7305.39.1000 and 7305.39.5000. While the HTSUS subheadings are classifiable in the Harmonized Tariff System (HTSUS), the physical description set forth above is covered by the scope of this investigation, whether or not produced according to a particular standard.

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**Appendix II**

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

1. Summary

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11 See 19 CFR 351.309; see also 19 CFR 351.303 (for general filing requirements).
II. Background

III. Injury Test

IV. Use of Facts Otherwise Available and Adverse Inferences

V. Analysis of Programs

VI. Conclusion

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
International Trade Administration
[C–580–898]

Large Diameter Welded Pipe From the Republic of Korea: Preliminary Affirmative Countervailing Duty Determination and Alignment of Final Determination With Final Antidumping Duty Determination

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

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce (Commerce) preliminarily determines that countervailable subsidies are being provided to producers and exporters of large diameter welded pipe (welded pipe) from the Republic of Korea (Korea) for the period of investigation of January 1, 2017, through December 31, 2017. Interested parties are invited to comment on this preliminary determination.


FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: George Ayache, Irene Gorelik, or Robert Palmer, 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) 482–2623, (202) 482–6905, or (202) 482–9068, respectively.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

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Scope of the Investigation

The product covered by this investigation is welded pipe from Korea. For a complete description of the scope of this investigation, see Appendix I.

Scope Comments

In accordance with the preamble to Commerce’s regulations,4 the Initiation Notice set aside a period of time for parties to raise issues regarding product coverage (i.e., scope).5 Certain interested parties commented on the scope of the investigation as it appeared in the Initiation Notice.6 For a summary of the product coverage comments and rebuttal responses submitted to the record for this preliminary determination, and accompanying discussion and analysis of all comments timely received, see the Preliminary Scope Decision Memorandum.7 Commerce is preliminarily modifying the scope language as it appeared in the Initiation Notice. See revised scope in Appendix I. Interested parties will have the opportunity to submit case and rebuttal briefs on the preliminary scope determinations. We will notify parties of the due dates for these briefs at a later time.

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1 See Large Diameter Welded Pipe from India, the People’s Republic of China, the Republic of Korea, and the Republic of Turkey: Postponement of the Affirmative Determination on Imports of Large Diameter Welded Pipe from India, the People’s Republic of China, the Republic of Korea, and the Republic of Turkey: Initiation of Countervailing Duty Investigations, 83 FR 7148 (February 20, 2018) (Initiation Notice).

2 See Large Diameter Welded Pipe from India, the People’s Republic of China, the Republic of Korea, and the Republic of Turkey: Postponement of the Affirmative Determination on Imports of Large Diameter Welded Pipe from India, the People’s Republic of China, the Republic of Korea, and the Republic of Turkey: Initiation of Countervailing Duty Investigations, 83 FR 13946 (April 2, 2018).

3 See Memorandum, “Decision Memorandum for the Affirmative Preliminary Determination of the Countervailing Duty Investigation of Large Diameter Welded Pipe from the Republic of Korea,” dated concurrently with, and hereby adopted by, this notice (Preliminary Decision Memorandum).

4 See Antidumping Duties; Countervailing Duties, Final Rule, 62 FR 27296, 27292 (May 19, 1997).

5 See Initiation Notice.

6 See Memorandum, “Large Diameter Welded Pipe from Canada, Greece, India, the People’s Republic of China, the Republic of Korea, and the Republic of Turkey: Scope Comments Decision Memorandum for the Preliminary Determinations,” dated concurrently with this notice (Preliminary Scope Decision Memorandum).

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