collection techniques for self-tests progress.

In order to keep OMB informed as these collection plans are defined, they will yet to be determined. Once information received are part of the public record. No comments will be posted on http://www.regulations.gov for public viewing until after the comment period has closed. Comments will generally be posted without change. All Personally identifiable Information (for example, name and address) voluntarily submitted by the commenter may be publicly accessible. Do not submit Confidential Business Information or otherwise sensitive or protected information. You may submit attachments to electronic comments in Microsoft Word, Excel, WordPerfect, or Adobe PDF file formats only.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument(s) and instructions should be directed to Jennifer Childs, Census Bureau, Washington, DC 20233; (301) 763–4932 (or via the internet at jennifer.hunter.childs@census.gov).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

The U.S. Census Bureau plans to request an extension of the current OMB approval to conduct a series of studies to research and evaluate how to improve data collection activities for data collection programs at the Census Bureau. These studies will explore how the Census Bureau can improve efficiency, data quality, and response rates and reduce respondent burden in future census and survey operations, evaluations and experiments. This information collection will operate as a generic clearance. The estimated number of respondents and annual reporting hours requested cover both the known and yet to be determined tests. A generic clearance is needed for these tests because though each share similar methodology, the exact number of tests and the explicit details of each test to be performed has yet to be determined. Once information collection plans are defined, they will be submitted on an individual basis in order to keep OMB informed as these tests progress.

The Census Bureau plans to test the use of new and improved data collection techniques for self-enumeration and interviewer data-collection tasks surrounding and following the ongoing census and survey operations. The research and evaluation may include: Developing alternative enumeration or follow-up questionnaires; usability issues; conducting interviews or debriefings; and non-English language training and interviews. To study enumeration, the Census Bureau may conduct the enumeration directly with a household member or knowledgeable respondent. The questions asked in these studies will be typical census or survey questions and questions related to that content, along with potential attitudinal and satisfaction debriefing questions.

II. Method of Collection

The information will be collected through observations, self-response, face-face interviews, and/or telephone interviews.

III. Data

OMB Control Number: 0607–0971. Form Number: Not yet determined. 
Type of Review: Regular submission. 
Affected Public: Individuals or households. 
Estimated Number of Respondents: 100,000 per year. 
Estimated Time Per Response: 10 minutes. 
Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 16,667 hours annually. 
Estimated Total Annual Cost: There is no cost to the respondent other than time to answer the information request. 
Respondents Obligation: Mandatory or Voluntary, depending on cited authority. 
Legal Authority: Data collection for this project is authorized under the approving the legislation for the data that is being collected. This may be Title 13, Sections 131, 141, 161, 181, 182, 193, and 301 for Census Bureau sponsored surveys, and Title 13 and 15 for surveys sponsored by other Federal agencies. We do not now know what other titles will be referenced, since we do not know what survey questionnaires will be pretested during the course of the clearance.

IV. Request for Comments

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency’s estimate of the burden (including hours and cost) of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval of this information collection; they also will become a matter of public record.

Sheleen Dumas, 
Departmental Lead PRA Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
International Trade Administration
[Application No. 94–6A007]

Export Trade Certificate of Review


FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
Joseph Flynn, Director, Office of Trade and Economic Analysis, International Trade Administration, (202) 462–5131 (this is not a toll-free number) or email at etca@trade.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Title III of the Export Trading Company Act of 1982 (15 U.S.C. Sections 4001–21) (the Act) authorizes the Secretary of Commerce to issue Export Trade Certificates of Review. An Export Trade Certificate of Review protects the holder and the members identified in the Certificate from State and Federal government antitrust actions and from private treble damage antitrust actions for the export conduct specified in the Certificate and carried out in compliance with its terms and conditions. The regulations implementing Title III are found at 15 CFR part 325 (2018). OTEA is issuing this notice pursuant to 15 CFR 325.6(b), which requires the Secretary of Commerce to publish a summary of the certification in the Federal Register.
Under Section 305(a) of the Act and 15 CFR 325.11(a), any person aggrieved by the Secretary’s determination may, within 30 days of the date of this notice, bring an action in any appropriate district court of the United States to set aside the determination on the ground that the determination is erroneous.

Description of Certified Conduct
FCE’s Export Trade Certificate of Review has been amended to add the following Member of the Certificate within the meaning of section 325.2(1) of the Regulations (15 CFR 325.2(1)):

Egan Fruit Packing, LLC
FCE’s Export Trade Certificate of Review Membership, as amended, is listed below:

Egan Fruit Packing, LLC, Ft. Pierce, Florida
Golden River Fruit Co., Vero Beach, Florida
Hogan and Sons, Inc., Vero Beach, Florida
Indian River Exchange Packers, Inc., Vero Beach, Florida
Lewis E. Smith’s Sons, Inc., Vero Beach, Florida
The Packers of Indian River, Ltd., Ft. Pierce, Florida
Premier Citrus Marketing, LLC, Vero Beach, Florida
River One International Marketing, Inc., Vero Beach, Florida
Riverfront Packing Co. LLC, Vero Beach, Florida
Seald Sweet LLC, Vero Beach, Florida

The effective date of the amended certificate is April 17, 2018, the date on which FCE’s application to amend was deemed submitted.

Dated: October 10, 2018.

Joseph Flynn,
Director, Office of Trade and Economic Analysis, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[570–094]

Refillable Stainless Steel Kegs From the People’s Republic of China: Initiation of Countervailing Duty Investigation

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

DATES: Applicable October 10, 2018.


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

The Petition

On September 20, 2018, the U.S. Department of Commerce (Commerce) received a countervailing duty petition (CVD Petition) concerning imports of refillable stainless steel kegs (kgs) from the People’s Republic of China (China), filed in proper form on behalf of the American Keg Company LLC (the petitioner), a domestic producer of kegs.1 The CVD Petition was accompanied by antidumping duty (AD) petitions concerning imports of kgs from China, Germany, and Mexico.

On September 25, 2018, Commerce requested supplemental information pertaining to certain aspects of the Petition in two separate supplemental questionnaires, one addressing the programs alleged as countervailable subsidies, and one primarily addressing scope clarification issues.2 The petitioner filed additional information on September 27, 2018.3

In accordance with section 702(b)(1) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act), the petitioner alleges that the Government of China (GOC) is providing countervailable subsidies, within the meaning of sections 701 and 771(S) of the Act, to producers of kegs in China and that imports of such products are materially injuring, or threatening material injury to, the domestic kgs industry in the United States. Consistent with section 702(b)(1) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.202(b), for those alleged programs on which we are initiating a CVD investigation, the Petition is accompanied by information reasonably available to the petitioner supporting its allegations.

Commerce finds that the petitioner filed the Petition on behalf of the domestic industry because the petitioner is an interested party as defined in section 771(9)(E) of the Act. Commerce also finds that the petitioner demonstrated sufficient industry support necessary for the initiation of the requested CVD investigation.4

Period of Investigation

Because the Petition was filed on September 20, 2018, the period of investigation is January 1, 2017, through December 31, 2017.

Scope of the Investigation

The product covered by this investigation is kegs from China. For a full description of the scope of these investigations, see the Appendix to this notice.

Comments on the Scope of the Investigation

During our review of the Petition, we contacted the petitioners regarding the proposed scope to ensure that the scope language in the Petitions is an accurate reflection of the products for which the domestic industry is seeking relief.5 As a result, the scope of the Petitions was modified to clarify the description of merchandise covered by the Petitions. The description of the merchandise covered by these investigations, as described in the Appendix to this notice, reflects these clarifications.

As discussed in the Preamble to Commerce’s regulations, we are setting aside a period for interested parties to raise issues regarding product coverage (scope).6 Commerce will consider all comments received from interested parties and, if necessary, will consult with interested parties prior to the issuance of the preliminary determination. If scope comments include factual information,7 all such factual information should be limited to public information. To facilitate preparation of its questionnaires, Commerce requests that all interested parties submit such comments by 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time (ET) on October 30, 2018, which is 20 calendar days from the signature date of this notice. Any

1 See the petitioner’s letter, “Petitions for the Imposition of Antidumping Duties on Imports of Refillable Stainless Steel Kegs from Germany, Mexico, and the People’s Republic Of China and Countervailing Duties on Imports of Refillable Stainless Steel Kegs from the People’s Republic Of China,” dated September 20, 2018 (the Petition).


3 See the petitioner’s letter, “Supplement to the Petition for the Imposition of Antidumping Duties on Imports of Refillable Stainless Steel Kegs from Germany, Mexico, and the People’s Republic Of China and Countervailing Duties on Imports of Refillable Stainless Steel Kegs from the People’s Republic Of China,” dated September 20, 2018 (Supplement).

4 See the “Determination of Industry Support for the Petition” section, infra.

5 See Supplement at “General Issues Questionnaire” section (General Issues Supplement) at 1–9; see also Revised Scope, at Exhibit 1.

6 See Antidumping Duties; Countervailing Duties, Final Rule, 62 FR 27296, 27323 (May 19, 1997) (Preamble).

7 See 19 CFR 351.102(b)(21) (defining “factual information”).