DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
Bureau of the Census
Federal Economic Statistics Advisory Committee Meeting

AGENCY: Bureau of the Census, U.S. Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of the Census (U.S. Census Bureau) is giving notice of a meeting of the Federal Economic Statistics Advisory Committee (FESAC). The Committee advises the Under Secretary for Economic Affairs, the Directors of the Bureau of Economic Analysis (BEA) and the Census Bureau, and the Commissioner of the U.S. Department of Labor’s Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) on statistical methodology and other technical matters related to the collection, tabulation, and analysis of federal economic statistics. If you plan to attend the meeting, please register by Friday, December 7, 2018. You may access the online registration form with the following link: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/federal-economic-statistics-advisory-committee-fesac-meeting-tickets-51549926217. Seating is available to the public on a first-come, first-served basis. An agenda will be available before the meeting at the following link: https://www.census.gov/fesac.

DATES: December 14, 2018. The meeting will begin at approximately 9:00 a.m. and adjourn at approximately 4:30 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the U.S. Census Bureau Conference Center, 4600 Silver Hill Road, Suitland, MD 20746.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: James R. Spletzer, Designated Federal Official, Department of Commerce, U.S. Census Bureau, Research and Methodology Directorate, Room 5K175, 4600 Silver Hill Road, Washington, DC 20233, telephone 301–763–4069, email: james.r.spletzer@census.gov. For TTY callers, please call the Federal Relay Service at 1–800–877–8339 and give them the above listed number. This service is free and confidential.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Members of the FESAC are appointed by the Secretary of Commerce. The Committee advises the Under Secretary for Economic Affairs, the Directors of the BEA and the Census Bureau, and the Commissioner of the Department of Labor’s BLS on statistical methodology and other technical matters related to the collection, tabulation, and analysis of federal economic statistics. The Committee is established in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Title 5, United States Code, Appendix 2).

The meeting is open to the public, and a brief period is set aside for public comments and questions. Persons with extensive questions or statements must submit them in writing at least three days before the meeting to the Designated Federal Official named above.

This meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should also be directed to the Designated Federal Official as soon as known, and preferably two weeks prior to the meeting.

Due to security protocols and for access to the meeting, please call 301–763–9906 upon arrival at the Census Bureau on the day of the meeting. A photo identification must be presented in order to receive your visitor’s badge. Visitors are not allowed beyond the first floor.


Ron S. Jarmin,
Deputy Director, Performing the Non-Exclusive Functions and Duties of the Director, Bureau of the Census.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
International Trade Administration
[A–580–868]
Large Residential Washers From the Republic of Korea: Preliminary Results of the Antidumping Duty Administrative Review; 2017–2018

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

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce (Commerce) preliminarily determines that LG Electronics, Inc. (LGE) did not make sales of large residential washers at prices below normal value (NV) during the February 1, 2017, through January 31, 2018, period of review. We invite interested parties to comment on these preliminary results.


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:
Scope of the Order

The products covered by the order are all large residential washers and certain subassemblies thereof from Korea. The products are currently classifiable under subheadings 8450.20.0040 and 8450.20.0080 of the Harmonized Tariff System of the United States (HTSUS). Products subject to this order may also enter under HTSUS subheadings 8450.11.0040, 8450.11.0080, 8450.90.2000, and 8450.90.6000. Although the HTSUS subheadings are provided for convenience and customs purposes, the written description of the merchandise subject to this scope is dispositive.

Methodology

Commerce is conducting this review in accordance with sections 751(a)(1)(B) and (2) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act). Export price and

For a full description of the scope of the order, see Memorandum “Decision Memorandum for the Preliminary Results of the 2017–2018 Administrative Review of the Antidumping Duty Order on Large Residential Washers from Korea,” dated concurrently with, and hereby adopted by, this notice (Preliminary Decision Memorandum).
constructed export price are calculated in accordance with section 772 of the Act. NV is calculated in accordance with section 773 of the Act. For a full description of the methodology underlying our conclusions, see the Preliminary Decision Memorandum. 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 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 at http://enforcement.trade.gov/frn/. The signed Preliminary Decision Memorandum and the electronic version of the Preliminary Decision Memorandum are identical in content. A list of the topics discussed in the Preliminary Decision Memorandum is attached as an Appendix to this notice.

Preliminary Results of the Review

As a result of this review, Commerce preliminarily determines that a weighted-average margin of 0.00 percent exists for LGE for the period February 1, 2017, through January 31, 2018.

Disclosure and Public Comment

We intend to disclose the calculations performed to parties in this segment of the proceeding within five days of the date of publication of this notice in accordance with 19 CFR 351.224(b).

Case briefs or other written comments may be submitted to the Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance no later than 30 days after the date of publication of the preliminary results, unless the Secretary alters the time limit. Rebuttal briefs, limited to issues raised in the case briefs, may be filed not later than five days after the deadline for case briefs. Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.309(c)(2) and (d)(2), 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.

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, 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; 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. All submissions, with limited exceptions, must be filed electronically using ACCESS. An electronically filed document must be received successfully in its entirety by 5 p.m. Eastern Time (ET) on the due date. Documents excepted from the electronic submission requirements must be filed manually (i.e., in paper form) with the APO/Doocks Unit in Room 18022 and stamped with the date and time of receipt by 5 p.m. ET on the due date.

Commerce intends to issue the final results of this administrative review, including the results of its analysis of issues raised in any written briefs, not later than 120 days after the date of publication of this notice, unless the deadline is extended.

Assessment Rates

Upon issuance of the final results, Commerce shall determine, and U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) shall assess, antidumping duties on all appropriate entries covered by this review.

We will calculate importer-specific ad valorem duty assessment rates based on the ratio of the total amount of antidumping duties calculated for the examined sales to the total entered value of the examined sales to that importer. Where either the respondent’s weighted-average dumping margin is zero or de minimis within the meaning of 19 CFR 351.106(c), or an importer-specific assessment rate 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 the final results of this review and for future deposits of estimated duties, where applicable.

Cash Deposit Requirements

The following cash deposit requirements will be effective 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 LGE will be the rate established in the final results of this review, except if the rate is less than 0.50 percent and, therefore, de minimis within the meaning of 19 CFR 351.106(c)(1), in which case the cash deposit rate will be zero; (2) for previously reviewed or investigated companies not participating in this review, the cash deposit rate will continue to be the company-specific rate published for the most recent period; (3) if the exporter is not a firm covered in this review, a prior review, or the less-than-fair-value (LTFV) investigation, but the manufacturer is, the cash deposit rate will be the rate established for the most recent period for the manufacturer of the merchandise; and (4) the cash deposit rate for all other manufacturers or exporters will continue to be 11.80 percent, the all-others rate established in the LTFV investigation. These deposit requirements, when imposed, shall remain in effect until further notice.

Notification to Importers

This notice also serves as a preliminary reminder to importers of their responsibility under 19 CFR 351.402(I) to file a certificate regarding the reimbursement of antidumping and/or countervailing duties prior to liquidation of the relevant entries during this review period. Failure to comply with this requirement could result in the Secretary’s presumption that reimbursement of antidumping duties and/or countervailing duties occurred and the subsequent assessment of double antidumping duties.

We intend to issue instructions to CBP 15 days after the publication date of the final results of this review.

See 19 CFR 351.309(c).

See 19 CFR 351.309(d).

See Antidumping Procedures: Calculation of the Weighted-Average Dumping Margin and Assessment Rate in Certain Antidumping Duty Proceedings: Final Modification, 77 FR 8101, 8103 (February 14, 2012).

See section 751(a)(2)(C) of the Act.

Gary Taaverman,
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
List of Topics Discussed in the Preliminary
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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
National Oceanic and Atmospheric
Administration
National Estuarine Research Reserve System
AGENCY: Stewardship Division, Office for
Coastal Management, National Ocean
Service, National Oceanic and
Atmospheric Administration, U.S.
Department of Commerce.
ACTION: Notice of approval for the
Jacques Cousteau Reserve Management Plan, which will replace
the plan previously approved in 2009.

The revised Management Plan outlines the administrative structure;
the research/monitoring, stewardship,
education, and training programs of the Reserve; and the plans for future land
acquisition and facility development to
support Reserve operations.

The Jacques Cousteau Reserve takes
an integrated approach to management,
linking research, education, coastal
training, and stewardship functions.
The Reserve has outlined how it will
manage administration and its core
program providing detailed actions that
will enable it to accomplish specific
goals and objectives. Since the last
management plan, the reserve has:

Developed core programs; expanded
monitoring programs within Jacques
Cousteau and its watershed; enhanced
exhibits and trails; provided technical
assistance to coastal communities
throughout the state of New Jersey,
conducted training workshops;
implemented K–12 education programs;
and built new and innovative
partnerships with local, state, regional,
and U.S. organizations and universities.

On January 9, 2018, NOAA issued a
notice of a thirty day public comment
period for the Jacques Cousteau Reserve
revised plan (83 FR 1027). Responses to
the written and oral comments received,
and an explanation of how comments
were incorporated into the final revised
plan, are available in Appendix D of the
revised plan.

The revised Management Plan will
serve as the guiding document for the
Jacques Cousteau Reserve. View the
Jacques Cousteau Reserve Management
Plan at URL: https://jnerr.org/JCNERR_

The impacts of the revised
management plan have not changed and
the initial Environmental Impact
Statement (EIS) prepared at the time of
designation is still valid. NOAA has
made the determination that the
revision of the management plan will
not have a significant effect on the
human environment and therefore
qualifies for a categorical exclusion
under NOAA Administrative Order
216–6. An environmental assessment
will not be prepared.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
Nina Garfield at (240) 533–0817 or Erica
Seiden at (240) 533–0781 of NOAA’s
National Ocean Service, Stewardship
Division, Office for Coastal
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Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
National Oceanic and Atmospheric
Administration
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Takes of Marine Mammals Incidental to
Specified Activities; Taking Marine
Mammals Incidental to the Gustavus
Ferry Terminal Improvements Project
AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries
Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and
Atmospheric Administration (NOAA),
Commerce.
ACTION: Notice; issuance of an Incidental
Harassment Authorization.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the
regulations implementing the Marine
Mammal Protection Act (MMPA) as
amended, notification is hereby given
that we have issued an Incidental
Harassment Authorization (IHA) to take
small numbers of animals, by Level A
and Level B harassment, incidental to
the Gustavus Ferry Terminal
Improvements project in Gustavus,
Alaska

DATES: The authorization is effective
from December 15, 2018, through
December 14, 2019.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Rob
Pauline, Office of Protected Resources,
NMFS, (301) 427–8401. Electronic
copies of the application, supporting
documents, as well as the issued IHA
may be obtained online at: https://
www.fisheries.noaa.gov/national/
marine-mammal-protection/incidental-
take-authorizations-construction-
activities. In case of problems accessing
these documents, please call the contact
listed above.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:
Background

The MMPA prohibits the “take” of
marine mammals, with certain
exceptions. Sections 101(a)(5)(A) and
(D) of the MMPA (16 U.S.C. 1361 et
seq.) direct the Secretary of Commerce
(as delegated to NMFS) to allow, upon
request, the incidental, but not
intentional, taking of small numbers of
marine mammals by U.S. citizens who
engage in a specified activity (other than
commercial fishing) within a specified