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ACTION: Notice and opportunity for public comment.

SUMMARY: The Economic Development Administration (EDA) has received petitions for certification of eligibility to apply for Trade Adjustment Assistance from the firms listed below. Accordingly, EDA has initiated investigations to determine whether increased imports into the United States of articles like or directly competitive with those produced by each of the firms contributed importantly to the total or partial separation of the firms' workers, or threat thereof, and to a decrease in sales or production of each petitioning firm.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Economic Development Administration

Notice of Petitions by Firms for Determination of Eligibility To Apply for Trade Adjustment Assistance

AGENCY: Economic Development Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce.

LIST OF PETITIONS RECEIVED BY EDA FOR CERTIFICATION OF ELIGIBILITY TO APPLY FOR TRADE ADJUSTMENT ASSISTANCE

[10/12/2018 through 11/19/2018]

Firm name	Firm address	Date accepted for investigation	Product(s)
Truebite, Inc	2590 Glenwood Road, Vestal, NY 13850.	11/7/2018	The firm manufactures custom nail files for the promotional products industry.
Tuff-Bilt Tractors Manufacturing, Inc.	2801 I Avenue, Walthill, NE 68067	11/8/2018	The firm manufactures tractors and farm implements.
Stephens Precision, Inc	293 Industrial Drive, Bradford, VT 05033.	11/13/2018	The firm manufactures custom metal and plastic parts for aerospace, defense, and other industries.
Fuller Foods, Inc	5040 SE Milwaukie Avenue, Portland, OR 97202.	11/16/2018	The firm manufactures cheesy puffs, a snack food.
The Homer Laughlin China Company.	672 Fiesta Drive, Newell, WV 26050.	11/19/2018	The firm manufactures ceramic dinnerware for retail and foodservice markets.

Any party having a substantial interest in these proceedings may request a public hearing on the matter. A written request for a hearing must be submitted to the Trade Adjustment Assistance Division, Room 71030, Economic Development Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, Washington, DC 20230, no later than ten (10) calendar days following publication of this notice. These petitions are received pursuant to section 251 of the Trade Act of 1974, as amended.

Please follow the requirements set forth in EDA's regulations at 13 CFR 315.9 for procedures to request a public hearing. The Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance official number and title for the program under which

these petitions are submitted is 11.313, Trade Adjustment Assistance for Firms.

Irette Patterson,

Program Analyst.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[C-570-096]

Aluminum Wire and Cable 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.

DATES: Applicable November 27, 2018.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Nancy Decker at (202) 482-0196, AD/CVD Operations, Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, Department of

Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20230.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On October 11, 2018, the Department of Commerce (Commerce) initiated the countervailing duty (CVD) investigation of aluminum wire and cable from the People's Republic of China.¹ Currently, the preliminary determination is due no later than December 17, 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.²

On November 14, 2018, Encore Wire Corporation, a petitioner in this investigation, submitted a timely request pursuant to section 703(c)(1)(A) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.205(e) to postpone fully the preliminary determination. Encore stated that the purpose of its request was to provide Commerce with sufficient time to receive and analyze the questionnaire responses of the mandatory respondents.³

In accordance with 19 CFR 351.205(e), the reason for requesting a 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 February 19, 2019.⁴ Pursuant to section

705(a)(1) 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)(1).

Dated: November 20, 2018.

Gary Taverman,

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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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

RIN 0648-XG646

False Killer Whale Take Reduction Team; Meeting Announcement

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: NMFS announces a public meeting of the False Killer Whale Take Reduction Team (FKWTRT) on November 29, 2018 in order to provide recommendations on amendments to the False Killer Whale Take Reduction Plan (FKWTRP). The meeting will be held via conference call. Members of the public may submit written comments; the comments must be received within 14 days of the completion of the meeting.

DATES: The meeting of the FKWTRT will be held via conference call on November 29, 2018, from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. Hawaii Standard Time (or until business is concluded).

ADDRESSES: The public meeting will be conducted via conference call. For details on how to call in to the conference line, please contact Kevin Brindock. Comments may be submitted to the address provided in **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kevin Brindock, NMFS Pacific Islands

practice dictates that where a deadline falls on a weekend or federal holiday, the appropriate deadline is the next business day. See *Notice of Clarification: Application of "Next Business Day" Rule for Administrative Determination Deadlines Pursuant to the Tariff Act of 1930, As Amended*, 70 FR 24533 (May 10, 2005).

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 118(f)(1) of the Marine Mammal Protection Act (MMPA) requires NMFS to develop and implement take reduction plans designed to assist in the recovery or prevent the depletion of each strategic stock that interacts with Category I and II fisheries. In accordance with Section 118(f)(6) of the MMPA, NMFS established the FKWTRT (75 FR 2853, January 19, 2010) to develop a draft take reduction plan to assist in the recovery and prevent the depletion of the Hawaii pelagic stock and Hawaii insular stock of false killer whales. On November 29, 2012, NMFS published regulations implementing provisions of the False Killer Whale Take Reduction Plan (FKWTRP; 77 FR 71260) to reduce the level of incidental mortality and serious injury (M&SI) of these two stocks of false killer whales in the Hawaii longline fisheries. In accordance with Section 118(f)(7), NMFS convenes periodically the FKWTRT to monitor the effectiveness and implementation of the FKWTRP, and to recommend amendments that may be necessary to meet that objectives of the FKWTRP. More information can be found on the FKWTRT website: <https://www.fisheries.noaa.gov/national/marine-mammal-protection/false-killer-whale-take-reduction>.

Meeting Topics

The purpose of the November 29, 2018, conference call is to review current information and develop consensus recommendations for the FKWTRP to reduce M&SI of false killer whales and meet the goals of the FKWTRP and the MMPA.

Special Accommodations

The conference call is accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for auxiliary aids should be directed to Kevin Brindock at 808-725-5146 at least seven working days prior to the meeting.

Authority: 16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*

Dated: November 21, 2018.

Donna Wieting,

Director, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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¹ See *Aluminum Wire and Cable from the People's Republic of China: Initiation of Countervailing Duty Investigation*, 83 FR 52805 (October 18, 2018).

² See 19 CFR 351.205(e).

³ See Letter from Encore to Commerce, "Aluminum Wire and Cable from China: Petitioner's Request for Postponement of the Preliminary Determination," dated November 14, 2018.

⁴ In this case, 130 days after initiation falls on February 18, 2019, a federal holiday. Commerce's