

or in our reading room, which is located in Room 1620 of the USDA South Building, 14th Street and Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC. Normal reading room hours are 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except holidays. To be sure someone is there to help you, please call (202) 799-7039 before coming.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For information on the regulations for the location of irradiation treatment facilities in the United States, contact Mr. Todd Dutton, Assistant Director, Plant Health Programs, PPQ, APHIS, 5601 Sunnyside Ave., Beltsville, MD 20705; (301) 851-2348. For more detailed information on the information collection, contact Ms. Sheniqua Harris, APHIS' Paperwork Reduction Act Coordinator, at (301) 851-2528 or email APHIS.PRA@usda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Irradiation Treatment; Location of Facilities in the Southern United States.

OMB Control Number: 0579-0383.

Type of Request: Revision to and extension of approval of an information collection.

Abstract: The regulations contained in 7 CFR part 305 (referred to below as the regulations) set out the general requirements for performing treatments and certifying or approving treatment facilities for fruits, vegetables, and other articles to prevent the introduction or dissemination of plant pests or noxious weeds into or through the United States. The Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) of the U.S. Department of Agriculture administers these regulations.

Section 305.9 provides generic criteria for new irradiation treatment facilities in the United States to be located anywhere in the United States, subject to approval. APHIS allows the irradiation treatment of certain imported fruit from various countries upon arrival in the United States. The regulations facilitate the importation of commodities requiring irradiation treatment while continuing to provide protection against the introduction of pests of concern into the United States.

The information collection activities associated with the location of irradiation facilities include request for initial certification and inspection of facility, certification and recertification, denial and withdrawal of certification, compliance agreements, irradiation facilities treating imported articles, irradiation treatment framework equivalency workplan, irradiation facilities notification, recordkeeping, facility contingency plan, letter of

concurrence or non-agreement, treatment arrangements, pest management plan, and facility layout map. In addition, each facility must provide APHIS with an updated map identifying places where horticultural or other crops are grown within 4 square miles of the facility.

We are asking the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to approve our use of these information collection activities, as described, for an additional 3 years. APHIS has amended this information collection by decreasing the estimated annual number of respondents and responses. In addition, APHIS has decreased the total burden hours due to APHIS moving PPQ Form 519 activity to the new Common Form Information Collection.

The purpose of this notice is to solicit comments from the public (as well as affected agencies) concerning our information collection. These comments will help us:

(1) Evaluate whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;

(2) Evaluate the accuracy of our estimate of the burden of the collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

(3) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(4) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, through use, as appropriate, of automated, electronic, mechanical, and other collection technologies; e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

Estimate of burden: The public burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 3.20 hours per response.

Respondents: Irradiation facilities in the United States, State governments, importers, and foreign government and national plant protection organization officials.

Estimated annual number of respondents: 19.

Estimated annual number of responses per respondent: 16.

Estimated annual number of responses: 305.

Estimated total annual burden on respondents: 976 hours. (Due to averaging, the total annual burden hours may not equal the product of the annual number of responses multiplied by the reporting burden per response.)

All responses to this notice will be summarized and included in the request for OMB approval. All comments will also become a matter of public record.

Done in Washington, DC, 24th day of August 2026.

Kelly Moore,

Administrator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service.

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COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS

Notice of Public Meeting of the Rhode Island Advisory Committee to the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights

AGENCY: 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 (FACA), that a meeting of the Rhode Island Advisory Committee to the Commission will hold a public meeting via Zoom. The purpose is for the committee to discuss topic ideas, including a discussion on scope and balance for the most preferred topics, and possibly select a topic as part of the Concept Stage. The Committee will need to select a topic before beginning the Proposal Stage.

DATES: Thursday, September 10, 2026; 3:30 p.m. Eastern Time.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held via Zoom.

Registration Link (Audio/Visual): https://www.zoomgov.com/webinar/register/WN_O_tRpnIFQBqnCfPWtR-HTw.

Join by Phone (Audio Only): 1-833 435 1820 USA Toll Free; Webinar ID: 165 396 5854 #.

Agenda: <https://usccr.bbox.com/s/kreey9srm7ofl9catdbnn2oj7ntx6lf8> (note: a final meeting agenda will be available prior to the meeting date).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Victoria Moreno, Designated Federal Officer, at vmoreno@usccr.gov or 1-434-515-0204.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This virtual committee meeting is available to the public through the registration link above. Any interested member of the public may join at the link to listen to this meeting. An open comment period will be provided to allow members of the public to make a statement as time allows. Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, public minutes of the meeting will include a list of persons who are present at the meeting. If joining via phone, 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 land-line connections to the toll-free telephone number. Closed captioning is available by selecting “CC” in the Zoom meeting platform. To request additional accommodations, please email ebohor@usccr.gov at least 10 business days prior to the meeting.

Members of the public are entitled to submit written comments; the comments must be received in the regional office within 30 days following the meeting. Written comments may be emailed to Evelyn Bohor, ebohor@usccr.gov. Persons who desire additional information may contact the Regional Programs Coordination Unit at (202) 809–9618.

Records generated from this meeting may be inspected and reproduced at the Regional Programs Coordination Unit Office, as they become available, both before and after the meeting. Records of the meetings will be available via the file sharing website: <https://usccr.box.com/s/kreey9srm7ofl9catdbnn2oj7ntx6lf8> as well as at: www.facadatabase.gov under the Commission on Civil Rights, selecting the Advisory Committee of interest. Persons interested in the work of this Committee are directed to the Commission’s website, <http://www.usccr.gov>, or may contact the Regional Programs Coordination Unit at ebohor@usccr.gov.

Dated: September 1, 2026.

David Mussatt,

Supervisory Chief, Regional Programs Unit.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

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Certain Oil Country Tubular Goods From Austria: 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 U.S. Department of Commerce (Commerce) preliminarily determines that countervailable subsidies are being provided to producers and exporters of certain oil country tubular goods (OCTG) from Austria. The period of investigation is January 1, 2025, through December 31,

2025. Interested parties are invited to comment on this preliminary determination.

DATES: Applicable September 3, 2026.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ian Riggs, AD/CVD Operations, Office IX, Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482–3810.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

This preliminary determination is made in accordance with section 703(b) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act). On April 28, 2026, Commerce published the notice of initiation of this countervailing duty (CVD) investigation.¹ On June 4, 2026, Commerce postponed the preliminary determination of this investigation, and the revised deadline is now August 31, 2026.²

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 <https://access.trade.gov>. In addition, a complete version of the Preliminary Decision Memorandum can be accessed directly at <https://access.trade.gov/frnotices>.

Scope of the Investigation

The product covered by this investigation is OCTG from Austria. 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*. Commerce intends to issue its preliminary decision regarding comments concerning the scope of the companion less-than-fair-value (LTFV) investigations and this CVD investigation on or before the preliminary determination of the companion LTFV investigations. We will incorporate the scope decisions from the LTFV investigations into the scope of the final determination for this CVD investigation.

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.⁶ For a full description of the methodology underlying our preliminary determination, see the Preliminary Decision Memorandum.

Alignment

As noted in the Preliminary Decision Memorandum, in accordance with section 705(a)(1) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.210(b)(4), Commerce is aligning the final CVD determination in this investigation with the final determination in the companion LTFV investigation of OCTG from Austria based on a request made by the U.S. OCTG Manufacturers Association, United States Steel Corporation, and the United Steel, Paper and Forestry, Rubber, Manufacturing, Energy, Allied Industrial and Service Workers International Union, AFL–CIO, CLC (collectively, the petitioners).⁷ Consequently, the final CVD determination will be issued on the same date as the final antidumping duty determination, which is currently scheduled to be issued no later than January 12, 2027, 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

⁵ See *Initiation Notice*.

⁶ 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(5A) of the Act regarding specificity.

⁷ See Petitioner’s Letter, “Petitioners’ Request to Align,” dated August 14, 2026.

¹ See *Certain Oil Country Tubular Goods from Austria: Initiation of Countervailing Duty Investigation*, 91 FR 22790 (April 28, 2026) (*Initiation Notice*).

² See *Certain Oil Country Tubular Goods from Austria: Postponement of Preliminary Determination in the Countervailing Duty Investigation*, 91 FR 33701 (June 4, 2026).

³ See Memorandum, “Decision Memorandum for the Preliminary Affirmative Determination of the Countervailing Duty Investigation of Certain Oil Country Tubular Goods from Austria,” 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).