

compensate for developed looseness between the component parts of a fastened assembly; (2) distribute the load over a larger area for screws or bolts; and (3) provide a hardened bearing surface. The scope does not include internal or external tooth washers, nor does it include spring lock washers made of other metals, such as copper. HSLWs are included under item number 7318.21.0000 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS). Although the HTSUS subheadings are provided for convenience and customs purposes, the written description of the scope is dispositive. SIP requests that the Secretary monitor imports of these products from Russia and Mexico, alleging that circumstances which allow the Department to monitor imports currently exist. Under section 732(a)(2) of the Act, the requirements for the Secretary to monitor imports are: (a) more than one antidumping duty order for the same class or kind of merchandise must be in effect; (b) the Department must have a reason to believe or suspect that there exists an extraordinary pattern of persistent injurious dumping with respect to shipments from one or more additional supplier countries; and (c) this extraordinary pattern of persistent injurious dumping is causing a serious commercial problem for the domestic industry.

COMMENTS: Interested parties wishing to comment upon this request must send written comments not later than March 17, 1995. Comments should be sent to the Secretary of Commerce, Attention: Import Administration, Central Records Unit, Room B-099, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, D.C. 20230. Interested parties may file replies to any comments submitted. All replies must be filed not later than seven days after March 17, 1995. Any interested parties submitting business proprietary information must do so in accordance with section 353.32(b) of the Department's regulations and submit a public version or summary of that information.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Helen Kramer or Holly Vineyard, Office of Agreements Compliance, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, Room 7866, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue N.W., Washington, D.C. 20230, telephone (202) 482-3793 or telefax (202) 482-1388.

Dated: February 8, 1995.

Susan G. Esserman,

Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

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Anhydrous Sodium Metasilicate From France; Final Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review

AGENCY: Import Administration, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of final results of antidumping duty administrative review.

SUMMARY: On October 20, 1994, the Department of Commerce (the Department) published the preliminary results of administrative review of the antidumping duty order on anhydrous sodium metasilicate (ASM) from France. This review covers Rhone Poulenc Chime de Base (Rhone Poulenc), a manufacturer/exporter of this merchandise to the United States, and the period January 1, 1993, through December 31, 1993. The firm failed to submit a timely response to our questionnaire. As a result, we have used best information available (BIA) for cash deposit and appraisement purposes. We did not receive any comments on our preliminary results of review. Therefore, the final results are unchanged from those presented in the preliminary results of review.

EFFECTIVE DATE: February 15, 1995.

The review covers Rhone Poulenc and the period January 1, 1993 through December 31, 1993.

Use of Best Information Available

We mailed the antidumping questionnaire to Rhone Poulenc, a manufacturer/exporter of this merchandise to the United States. Rhone Poulenc failed to submit a timely response to our questionnaire. The Department has therefore decided to use BIA in determining the rate for this firm.

When a company fails to provide the information requested in a timely manner, or otherwise significantly impedes the Department's review, the Department considers the company uncooperative and generally assigns to that company the higher of: (a) The highest rate assigned to any company in the less-than-fair-value (LTFV) investigation or in prior administrative reviews, or (b) the highest rate found in the current review for any firm. See 19 CFR 353.37(b) and Final Results of

Administrative Review, Antifriction Bearings (other than Tapered Roller Bearings) from France (58 FR 39729, 39739, July 26, 1993). In this case, as BIA, we used 60 percent, the highest rate from a prior review. See Final Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review, Anhydrous Sodium Metasilicate from France (52 FR 33856, September 8, 1987).

Final Results of the Review

We gave interested parties an opportunity to comment on the preliminary results. We received no comments. Therefore, the final results are unchanged from those presented in the preliminary results of review. We determine that a margin of 60.00 percent exists for Rhone Poulenc during the period January 1, 1993, through December 31, 1993.

Furthermore, the following deposit requirements will be effective upon publication of these final results of this administrative review, for all shipments of ASM from France, entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after the publication date, as provided by section 751(a)(1) of the Tariff Act: (1) The cash deposit rate for the reviewed company will be 60 percent; (2) for exporters not covered in this review, but covered in previous reviews or the original LTFV investigation, 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, previous reviews, or the original LTFV investigation, but the manufacturer is, the cash deposit rate will be that established for the most recent period for the manufacturer of the merchandise; and (4) the cash deposit rate for all other manufacturers and exporters will be 60 percent.

These deposit requirements shall remain in effect until publication of the final results of the next administrative review.

This notice also serves as a final reminder to importers of their responsibility under 19 CFR 353.26 to file a certificate regarding the reimbursement of antidumping 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 occurred and the subsequent assessment of double antidumping duties.

This administrative review and notice are in accordance with section 751(a)(1) of the Tariff Act (19 U.S.C. 1675(a)(1)) and 19 CFR 353.22.

Dated: January 30, 1995.

Susan G. Esserman,
Assistant Secretary for Import
Administration.

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Postponement of Final Antidumping Duty Determinations: Oil Country Tubular Goods From Italy, Mexico and Spain

AGENCY: Import Administration, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

EFFECTIVE DATE: February 15, 1995.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: William Crow (Italy and Spain) or Jennifer Stagner (Mexico), Office of Antidumping Investigations, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20230; telephone (202) 482-0116 or (202) 482-1673, respectively.

Postponement

On January 26, 1995, the Department of Commerce (the Department) issued its preliminary determinations in the antidumping duty investigations of oil country tubular goods (OCTG) from Italy, Mexico, and Spain (60 FR 6515, 6510, and 6516, respectively, February 2, 1995).

The following parties requested that the Department postpone the final determinations until 135 days after publication of the preliminary determinations in accordance with section 735(a)(2) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act) (19 U.S.C. 1673(a)(2)), and 19 CFR 353.20(b): Dalmine S.p.A., the respondent in the Italian investigation, on February 3, 1995; North Star Steel Ohio, the petitioner in the Mexican investigation, on January 30, 1995; and Koppel Steel Corporation, USS/Kobe Steel Company, and U.S. Steel Group (a unit of USX Corporation), the petitioners in the Spanish investigation, on January 30, 1995.

Under section 735(a)(2) of the Act and 19 CFR 353.20(b), if, subsequent to the preliminary determination, the Department receives a request for postponement of the final determination from the petitioner if the preliminary determination was negative, or the respondent if the preliminary determination was affirmative, then the Department will, absent compelling reasons for denial, grant the request. We find no compelling reasons to deny the

requests, which were properly filed, and are, accordingly, postponing the date of the final determinations until no later than June 19, 1995.

The U.S. International Trade Commission is being advised of these postponements in accordance with section 733(b) of the Act.

Applicable Statute and Regulations

Unless otherwise indicated, all citations to the Statute and to the Department's regulations are in reference to the provisions as they existed on December 31, 1994.

Public Comment

In accordance with 19 CFR 353.38, case briefs or other written comments in at least ten copies may be submitted by any interested party to the Assistant Secretary for Import Administration no later than May 2, 1995, and rebuttal briefs no later than May 9, 1995. We request that parties in these cases provide an executive summary of no more than two pages in conjunction with case briefs on the major issues to be addressed. Further, briefs should contain a table of authorities. Citations to Commerce determinations and court decisions should include the page number where cited information appears. In preparing the briefs, please begin each issue on a separate page. In accordance with 19 CFR 353.38(b), we will hold public hearings, if requested, to give interested parties an opportunity to comment on arguments raised in case or rebuttal briefs. Tentatively, the hearings will be held at the U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20230, on:

Italy: May 17, 1995, at 10:00 a.m. in Room 1851;

Mexico: May 19, 1995, at 10:00 a.m. in Room 1851;

Spain: May 17, 1995, at 2:00 p.m. in Room 1851.

Parties should confirm the time, date, and place of the hearing 48 hours before the scheduled time.

Interested parties who wish to request a hearing must submit a written request to the Assistant Secretary for Import Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, Room B-099, within ten days of the publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**. Requests should contain: (1) The party's name, address and telephone number; (2) the number of participants; and (3) a list of the issues to be discussed. In accordance with 19 CFR 353.38(b), oral presentations will be limited to the issues raised in the briefs.

This notice is published pursuant to section 735(a)(2) of the Act and 19 CFR 353.20(b).

Dated: February 8, 1995.

Barbara R. Stafford,
Deputy Assistant Secretary for Investigations.
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National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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Marine Mammals

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

ACTION: Receipt of application to modify permit no. 873 (P772#63).

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the Southwest Fisheries Science Center, NMFS, P.O. Box 271, La Jolla, CA 92038-0271, has requested a modification to permit no. 873.

ADDRESSES: The modification request and related documents are available for review upon written request or by appointment in the following offices:

Permits Division, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Room 13130, Silver Spring, MD 20910 (301/713-2289); and

Director, Southwest Region, NMFS, 501 West Ocean Boulevard, Suite 4200, Long Beach, CA 90802, (310/980-4016).

Written data or views, or requests for a public hearing on this request should be submitted to the Chief, Permits Division, Office of Protected Resources, F/PR1, NMFS, 1335 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910, within 30 days of the publication of this notice. Those individuals requesting a hearing should set forth the specific reasons why a hearing on this particular modification request would be appropriate.

Concurrent with the publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**, the Secretary of Commerce is forwarding copies of this request to the Marine Mammal Commission and its Committee of Scientific Advisors.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The subject modification to permit no. 873, issued on July 28, 1993 (58 FR 34038), is requested under the authority of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*), the Regulations Governing the Taking and Importing of Marine Mammals (50 CFR part 216), the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*), and the Regulations Governing the