

To be considered in the 30 day statutory review portion which is mandated by Section 13(c) of the Act, submissions must be received in the Office of the Under Secretary for Export Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th & Constitution Ave., N.W., Room 3898B, Washington, D.C., 20230, within 12 days. Replies to the other party's submission are to be made within the following 8 days. 15 CFR 788.23(b), 50 FR 53134(1985). Pursuant to Section 13(c)(3) of the Act, the order of the final order of the Under Secretary may be appealed to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia within 15 days of its issuance.

Dated: May 31, 1995.

Edward J. Kuhlmann, Administrative Law Judge.

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International Trade Administration

Countervailing Duty Order; Amendment of Notice of Opportunity to Request a Section 753 Injury Investigation

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

ACTION: Amendment of Notice of Opportunity to Request a Section 753 Injury Investigation for Countervailing Duty Orders.

SUMMARY: On May 26, 1995, the Department of Commerce (the Department) notified domestic interested parties of their right to request an injury investigation under section 753 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act), for countervailing duty orders that were issued under former section 303 of the Act (60 FR 27963). This notice amends the Appendix to the previous notice which omitted six eligible countervailing duty orders.

EFFECTIVE DATE: June 26, 1995.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Cameron Cardozo, Office of Countervailing Compliance, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20230, telephone: (202) 482-2786; or Vera Libeau, Office of Investigations, U.S. International Trade Commission, 500 E Street, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20436, telephone: (202) 205-3176.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

This notice includes countervailing duty orders issued under former section 303 of the Act which were omitted from the Appendix to our previous notice

dated May 26, 1995 (60 FR 27963). At the time these orders were issued, U.S. law did not require injury determinations as a prerequisite to their issuance. With the accession of the United States to the World Trade Organization (WTO) and the enactment of the Uruguay Round Agreements Act of 1994 (URAA), P.L. 103-465, U.S. law has changed. Under the URAA, the Government of the United States may not assess countervailing duties on imports from a WTO member country in the absence of an injury determination. Thus, as noted in the Statement of Administrative Action, new section 753 of the Act (as amended by the URAA) provides that for such orders ". . . a domestic interested party may request that the [International Trade] Commission initiate an investigation to determine whether an industry in the United States is likely to be materially injured by reason of imports of the merchandise subject to the CVD order if the order is revoked." See Statement of Administrative Action, URAA, p.272.

Opportunity to Request a Section 753 Injury Investigation

On January 1, 1995, Singapore and Thailand joined the WTO. Therefore, for each of the countervailing duty orders listed below, we are notifying all domestic interested parties, as described in sections 771(9) (C), (D), (E), (F), or (G) of the Act, of their right to request an injury investigation under section 753(a) from the U.S. International Trade Commission (the Commission). In accordance with sections 753(b)(3) and (4) of the Act, outstanding section 303 orders for which the Commission has not previously made an affirmative injury determination will be revoked by the Department unless a request for an injury investigation is submitted to the Commission within six months of the date on which the country covered by the order joins the WTO, and the Commission renders an affirmative injury determination pursuant to section 753(a)(1) of the Act. Requests for the following orders must be filed with the Commission no later than June 30, 1995.

- Singapore: Ball Bearings.....(C-559-802)
Singapore: Bearings, Cylindrical Roller.....(C-559-802)
Singapore: Bearings, Needle Roller.....(C-559-802)
Singapore: Bearings, Spherical Plane.....(C-559-802)
Singapore: Bearings, Spherical Roller.....(C-559-802)
Thailand: Ball Bearings.....¹ (C-549-802)

Requests for injury investigations under section 753 must be filed with the

¹ Applies only to the dutiable merchandise within the scope of the order.

Commission in accordance with 19 C.F.R. §207.46(b), added by 60 FR 18, 22-23 (January 3, 1995). All requests should be addressed to: Secretary, U.S. International Trade Commission, 500 E Street, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20436.

Dated: June 21, 1995.

Susan G. Esserman, Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

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North American Free-Trade Agreement (NAFTA), Article 1904 Binational Panel Reviews; Request for Panel Review

AGENCY: NAFTA Secretariat, United States Section, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of first request for panel review.

SUMMARY: On June 16, 1995 Cemex, S.A. de C.V. filed a First Request for Panel Review with the U.S. Section of the NAFTA Secretariat pursuant to Article 1904 of the North American Free-Trade Agreement. Panel review was requested of the final antidumping determination review made by the International Trade Administration in the administrative review respecting Gray Portland Cement and Cement Clinker from Mexico. This determination was published in the Federal Register on January 9, 1995 (60 FR 2378) and Amended on May 19, 1995 (60 FR 26865). The NAFTA Secretariat has assigned Case Number USA-95-1904-02 to this request.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: James R. Holbein, United States Secretary, NAFTA Secretariat, Suite 2061, 14th and Constitution Avenue, Washington, DC 20230, (202) 482-5438.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Chapter 19 of the North American Free-Trade Agreement ("Agreement") established a mechanism to replace domestic judicial review of final determinations in antidumping and countervailing duty cases involving imports from a NAFTA country with review by independent binational panels. When a Request for Panel Review is filed, a panel is established to act in place of national courts to review expeditiously the final determination to determine whether it conforms with the antidumping or countervailing duty law of the country that made the determination.

Under Article 1904 of the Agreement, which came into force on January 1, 1994, the Government of the United States, the government of Canada and the government of Mexico established

Rules of Procedure for Article 1904 Binational Panel Reviews ("Rules").

These Rules were published in the **Federal Register** on February 23, 1994 (59 FR 8686). The panel review in this matter will be conducted in accordance with these Rules.

A first Request for Panel Review was filed with the U.S. Section of the NAFTA Secretariat, pursuant to Article 1904 of the Agreement, on June 16, 1995, requesting panel review of the final antidumping duty administrative review described above.

The Rules provide that:

(a) A Party or interested person may challenge the final determination in whole or in part by filing a Complaint in accordance with Rule 39 within 30 days after the filing of the first Request for Panel Review (the deadline for filing a Complaint is July 17, 1995);

(b) A Party, investigating authority or interested person that does not file a Complaint but that intends to appear in support of any reviewable portion of the final determination may participate in the panel review by filing a Notice of Appearance in accordance with Rule 40 within 45 days after the filing of the first Request for Panel Review (the deadline for filing a Notice of Appearance is July 31, 1995); and

(c) The panel review shall be limited to the allegations of error of fact or law, including the jurisdiction of the investigating authority, that are set out in the Complaints filed in the panel review and the procedural and substantive defenses raised in the panel review.

Dated: June 20, 1995.

James R. Holbein,

U.S. Secretary, NAFTA Secretariat.

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National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

National Weather Service Modernization and Associated Restructuring; Notice and Opportunity for Public Comment

SUMMARY: The National Weather Service (NWS) is publishing proposed certifications for:

(1) The proposed consolidation of the Galveston Weather Service Office (WSO) into the future Houston/Galveston Weather Forecast Office (WFO); and

(2) The proposed consolidation of the residual Los Angeles WSO into the future Los Angeles WFO.

In accordance with Pub. Law 102-567, the public will have 60 days in

which to comment on these proposed certifications.

DATES: Comments are requested by August 25, 1995.

ADDRESSES: Requests for copies of the proposed consolidation packages should be sent to Janet Gilmer, Room 12316, 1325 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910, telephone 301-713-0276. All comments should be sent to Janet Gilmer at the above address.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Julie Scanlon at 301-713-1413.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: NWS anticipates consolidating:

(1) The Galveston WSO with the future Houston/Galveston WFO, and

(2) The residual Los Angeles WSO with the future Los Angeles WFO.

In accordance with section 706 of Pub. Law 102-567, the Secretary of Commerce must certify that these consolidations will not result in any degradation of service to the affected areas of responsibility and must publish the proposed consolidation certifications in the FR. The documentation supporting each proposed certification includes the following:

(1) A draft memorandum by the meteorologist-in-charge recommending the certification, the final of which will be endorsed by the Regional Director and the Assistant Administrator of the NWS if appropriate, after consideration of public comments and completion of consultation with the Modernization Transition Committee (the Committee);

(2) A description of local weather characteristics and weather-related concerns which affect the weather services provided within the service area;

(3) A comparison of the services provided within the service area and the services to be provided after such action;

(4) A description of any recent or expected modernization of NWS operation which will enhance services in the service area;

(5) An identification of any area within the affected service area which would not receive coverage (at an elevation of 10,000 feet) by the next generation weather radar network;

(6) Evidence, based upon operational demonstration of modernized NWS operations, which was considered in reaching the conclusion that no degradation in service will result from such action including the WSR-88D Radar Commissioning Report, User Confirmation of Services Report, and the Decommissioning Readiness Report; and

(7) A letter appointing the liaison officer.

These proposed certifications do not include any report of the Committee which could be submitted in accordance with sections 706(b)(6) and 707(c) of Public Law 102-567. At its June 14, 1995 meeting the Committee concluded that the information presented did not reveal any potential degradation of service and decided not to issue a report. The Committee did offer several recommendations on these proposed certifications, which are attached to this notice.

The documentation supporting the proposed certifications is too voluminous to publish in its entirety. Copies of the supporting documentation can be obtained through the contact listed above.

Attached to this notice are:

(1) Draft memoranda by the respective meteorologists-in-charge recommending the certifications, and

(2) Recommendations of the Committee on these proposed certifications.

Once all public comments have been received and considered, the NWS will complete consultation with the Committee and determine whether to proceed with the final certifications. If decisions to certify are made, the Secretary of Commerce must publish the final certifications in the FR and transmit the certifications to the appropriate Congressional committees prior to consolidating the offices.

Dated: June 20, 1995.

Nicholas R. Scheller,

National Implementation Staff.

Memorandum for: Harry S. Hassel, Director, Southern Region

From: Bill Read, MIC, NWSO Houston/Galveston

Subject: Recommendation for Consolidation Certification

After reviewing the attached documentation, I have determined, in my professional judgment, consolidation of the Galveston Weather Service Office (WSO) with the future Houston/Galveston Weather Forecast Offices (WFO) will not result in any degradation in weather services to the Galveston service area. This proposed certification is in accordance with the advance notification provided in the National Implementation Plan. Accordingly, I am recommending you approve this action in accordance with section 706 of Public Law 102-567. If you concur, please endorse this recommendation and forward this package to the Assistant Administrator for Weather Services for final certification. If Dr. Friday approves, he will forward the certification to the Secretary for approval and transmittal to Congress.

My recommendation is based on my review of the pertinent evidence and application of the modernization criteria for consolidation of a field office. In summary: