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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Foreign Agricultural Service

Special Provision for Frozen Concentrated Orange Juice Under the North American Free Trade Agreement Implementation Act

AGENCY: Foreign Agricultural Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of determination of termination of existence of price conditions necessary for imposition of temporary duty on frozen concentrated orange juice from Mexico.

SUMMARY: This is notification that for 5 consecutive business days the daily price for frozen concentrated orange juice was greater than the applicable average daily closing price of the New York Cotton Exchange. This precludes at this time imposition of a snapback tariff on Mexican frozen concentrated orange juice.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Joseph Somers, Horticultural and Tropical Products Division, Foreign Agricultural Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Washington, DC 20250-1000 or telephone at (202) 720-2974.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The North American Free Trade Agreement Implementation Act ("NAFTA Implementation Act") authorizes the imposition of a temporary duty (snapback) for Mexican frozen concentrated orange juice when certain conditions exist. Mexican articles falling under subheading 2009.11.00 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTS) are subject to the snapback duty provision.

Under section 309(a) of the NAFTA Implementation Act, certain price conditions must exist before the United States can apply a snapback duty on imports of Mexican frozen concentrated orange juice. In addition, such imports must exceed specified amounts before the snapback duty can be applied. The

price conditions exist when for each period of 5 consecutive days the daily price for frozen concentrated orange juice is less than the trigger price.

For the purpose of this provision, the term "daily price" means the daily closing price of the New York Cotton Exchange, or any successor as determined by the Secretary of Agriculture (the "Exchange"), for the closest month in which contracts for frozen concentrated orange juice are being traded on the Exchange. The term "business day" means a day in which contracts for frozen concentrated orange juice are being traded on the Exchange. The term "trigger price" means the average daily closing price of the Exchange for the corresponding month during the previous 5-year period, excluding the year with the highest average price for the corresponding month and the year the lowest average price for the corresponding month.

Price conditions no longer exist when the Secretary determines that for a period of 5 consecutive business days the daily price for frozen concentrated orange juice has exceeded the trigger price.

Whenever the price conditions are determined to exist or to cease to exist the Secretary is required to immediately notify the Commissioner of Customs of such determination. Whenever the determination is that the price conditions exist and the quantity of Mexican articles of frozen concentrated orange juice entered exceeds (1) 264,978,000 liters (single strength equivalent) in any of calendar years 1994 through 2002, or (2) 340,560,000 liters (single strength equivalent) in any of calendar years 2003 through 2007, the rate of duty on Mexican articles of frozen concentrated orange juice that are entered after the date on which the applicable quantity limitation is reached and before the date of publication in the Federal Register of the determination that the price conditions have ceased to exist shall be the lower of—(1) the column 1—General rate of duty in effect for such articles on July 1, 1991; or (2) the column 1—General rate of duty in effect on that day. For the purpose of this provision, the term "entered" means entered or withdrawn from warehouse for consumption in the customs territory of the United States.

In accordance with Section 309(a) of the NAFTA Implementation Act, it has

been determined that for the period October 18–24, 1995, the daily price for frozen concentrated orange juice exceeded the trigger price.

Issued at Washington, DC the 24th day of November, 1995.

August Schumacher, Jr.,
Administrator, Foreign Agricultural Service.
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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

Export Trade Certificate of Review

ACTION: Notice of issuance of an export trade certificate of review, application No. 95-00005.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce has issued an Export Trade Certificate of Review to The Connell Company on November 13, 1995. This notice summarizes the conduct for which certification has been granted.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: W. Dawn Busby, Director, Office of Export Trading Company Affairs, International Trade Administration, 202-482-5131. This is not a toll-free number.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Title III of the Export Trading Company Act of 1982 (15 U.S.C. 4001-21) authorizes the Secretary of Commerce to issue Export Trade Certificates of Review. The regulations implementing Title III are found at 15 CFR Part 325 (1993).

The Office of Export Trading Company Affairs ("OETCA") is issuing this notice pursuant to 15 CFR 325.6(b), which requires the Department of Commerce to publish a summary of a Certificate in the Federal Register. Under Section 305(a) of the Act and 15 CFR 325.11(a), any person aggrieved by the Secretary's determination may, within 30 days of the date of this notice, bring an action in any appropriate district court of the United States to set aside the determination on the ground that the determination is erroneous.

Description of Certified Conduct

A. Export Trade

1. Products

Japonica brown rice.

2. Export Trade Facilitation Services (as They Relate to the Export of Products)

Communication and processing of export orders; inspection, fumigation and stevedoring; transportation; freight forwarding and trade documentation; insurance; billing of foreign buyers; collection of letters of credit and other financial instruments.

B. Export Markets

The export markets include all parts of the world except the United States (the fifty states of the United States, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, American Samoa, Guam, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, and the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands).

C. Export Trade Activities and Methods of Operation

To engage in Export Trade in the Export Markets, The Connell Company may:

- (i) solicit orders from foreign purchasers;
- (ii) receive information on a one-to-one basis from individual Suppliers regarding inventories and near-term production schedules for the purpose of determining the availability of Products for purchase and export;

(iii) confer from time to time, on a one-to-one basis, with individual Suppliers regarding a potential purchase by The Connell Company with regard to the quantities, price, delivery schedule, and other pertinent matters pertaining thereto;

(iv) allocate export sales among individual Suppliers, provided that The Connell Company does not intentionally disclose to any Supplier any information about other Suppliers' sales to The Connell Company for export;

(v) enter into purchase agreements with one or more Suppliers for the purchase of Products in the United States, and sales agreements with one or more foreign purchasers for the sale of Products in the Export Markets;

(vi) refuse to purchase from one or more Suppliers for reasons The Connell Company deems fit; and

(vii) as the single buyer of Products, coordinate schedules for delivery of Products to the dock among Suppliers; allocate dock space; allocate Products to various vessels; coordinate stevedoring from the inland trucks to the dock and from the dock to the vessels; arrange for inspection by both U.S. and foreign inspection services; arrange for fumigation of the Products; arrange for various documentation regarding the cargo; and provide for other Export

Trade Facilitation Services as they relate to the export of Products.

D. Terms and Conditions of Certificate

1. In engaging in the above Export Trade Activities and Methods of Operation, The Connell Company will not intentionally disclose, directly or indirectly, to any Supplier any information about any other Supplier's costs, production, capacity, inventories, domestic prices, domestic sales, or U.S. business plans, strategies, or methods that is not already generally available to the trade or public.

2. The Connell Company will comply with requests made by the Secretary of Commerce on behalf of the Secretary of Commerce or the Attorney General for information or documents relevant to conduct under the Certificate. The Secretary of Commerce will request such information or documents when either the Attorney General or the Secretary of Commerce believes that the information or documents are required to determine that the Export Trade, Export Trade Activities and Methods of Operation of a person protected by this Certificate of Review continue to comply with the standards of Section 303(a) of the Act.

E. Definitions

"Supplier" means a person that produces, provides, or sells Products.

F. Protection Provided by Certificate

The Certificate protects The Connell Company, its directors, officers, and employees acting on its behalf, from private treble damage actions and government criminal and civil suits under U.S. federal and state antitrust laws for the export conduct specified in the Certificate and carried out during its effective period in compliance with its terms and conditions.

G. Effective Period of Certificate

The Certificate continues in effect from the effective date indicated below until it is relinquished, modified, or revoked as provided in the Act and the Regulations.

H. Other Conduct

Nothing in the Certificate prohibits The Connell Company from engaging in conduct not specified in the Certificate, but such conduct is subject to the normal application of the antitrust laws.

I. Disclaimer

The issuance of the Certificate of Review to The Connell Company by the Secretary of Commerce with the concurrence of the Attorney General under the provisions of the Act does not

constitute, explicitly or implicitly, an endorsement or opinion by the Secretary or by the Attorney General concerning either (a) the viability or quality of the business plans of The Connell Company or (b) the legality of such business plans of The Connell Company under the laws of the United States (other than as provided in the Act) or under the laws of any foreign country. The application of the Certificate to conduct in export trade where the United States Government is the buyer or where the United States Government bears more than half the cost of the transaction is subject to the limitations set forth in Section V.(D.) of the "Guidelines for the Issuance of Export Trade Certificates of Review (Second Edition)", 50 Fed. Reg. 1786 (January 11, 1985).

Dated: November 21, 1995.

W. Dawn Busby,

Director, Office of Export Trading Company Affairs.

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National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 112195A]

Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council; Meeting

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

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: The Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council's Surf Clam and Ocean Quahog Industry Advisory Committee will hold a public meeting.

DATES: The meeting will be held on December 12, 1995, from 10:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Doubletree Guest Suites Philadelphia International Airport, 4101 Island Avenue, Philadelphia, PA; telephone: (215) 365-6600.

Council Address: Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council, 300 S. New Street, Dover, DE 19901.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: David R. Keifer, Executive Director; telephone: (302) 674-2331.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the overfishing definition for Surf Clams and Ocean Quahogs.

Special Accommodations

This meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for