

International Trade Administration

[A-549-813]

Canned Pineapple Fruit From Thailand: Extension of Time Limit of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review

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

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce (the Department) is extending the time limit for the preliminary results in the administrative review of the antidumping duty order on canned pineapple fruit (CPF) from Thailand, covering the period January 11, 1995, through June 30, 1996, since it is not practicable to complete the review within the time limits mandated by the Tariff Act of 1930 (the Act), as amended, 19 U.S.C. 1675(a)(3)(A).

EFFECTIVE DATE: January 29, 1997.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Michelle Frederick, Office of AD/CVD Enforcement II, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20230; telephone (202) 482-0186.

Applicable Statute

Unless otherwise indicated, all citations to the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act), are references to the provisions effective January 1, 1995, the effective date of the amendments made to the Act by the Uruguay Round Agreements Act.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**Background**

On August 15, 1996, the Department initiated an administrative review of the antidumping duty order on CPF from Thailand, covering the period January 11, 1995, through June 30, 1996 (61 FR 42417). Based on the August 15, 1996, initiation notice, we intended to issue the preliminary results of this review no later than April 2, 1997, and the final results no later than July 31, 1997.

Postponement of Preliminary Results of Review

Section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act requires the Department to make a preliminary determination within 245 days after the last day of the anniversary month of an order for which a review is requested. However, if it is not practicable to issue the preliminary results in 245 days, section 751(a)(3)(A) allows the Department to extend this time period to 365 days.

We determine that it is not practicable to issue the preliminary results within 245 days because there are novel legal issues to address in this first review of this antidumping duty order under the new law. In addition, on December 31, 1996, the Department issued supplemental questionnaires to the three respondents with respect to third-country market selection. In order to allow the Department an opportunity to analyze the responses and select the appropriate comparison market for each respondent, we find that additional time is needed to make our preliminary determination.

Accordingly, the deadline for issuing the preliminary results of this review is now no later than July 31, 1997. The deadline for issuing the final results of this review will be 120 days from the publication of the preliminary results.

This extension is in accordance with section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act.

Dated: January 14, 1997.

Barbara R. Stafford,
Deputy Assistant Secretary, Import Administration.

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[A-570-506]

Porcelain-on-Steel Cooking Ware From the People's Republic of China; Preliminary Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review

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

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

SUMMARY: In response to requests by a U.S. importer of the subject merchandise to the United States and by petitioner, the Department of Commerce (the Department) is conducting an administrative review of the antidumping duty order on porcelain-on-steel (POS) cooking ware from the People's Republic of China (PRC). The review covers two manufacturers/exporters of subject merchandise to the United States and the period December 1, 1993 through November 30, 1994. We have preliminarily determined that sales have been made at less than fair value. The Department has calculated these margins based on the best information available.

If these preliminary results are adopted in our final results of administrative review, we will instruct the U.S. Customs Service to assess antidumping duties on all appropriate

entries. Interested parties are invited to comment on these preliminary results.

EFFECTIVE DATE: January 29, 1997.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Judy Kornfeld or Kelly Parkhill, Office of CVD/AD Enforcement VI, 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.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**Background**

On December 2, 1986, the Department published, in the Federal Register, the antidumping duty order on POS Cooking Ware from the PRC (51 FR 43414). On December 6, 1994, the Department published, in the Federal Register, a notice of opportunity to request an administrative review of this antidumping duty order (59 FR 62710). On December 21, 1994, in accordance with 19 C.F.R. 353.22(a)(1), a U.S. importer, CGS International, Inc. (CGS), requested that we conduct an administrative review of Clover Enamelware Enterprise, Ltd. (Clover), a PRC manufacturer/exporter of the subject merchandise, and its third-country reseller in Hong Kong, Lucky Enamelware Factory Ltd. (Lucky). On December 29, 1994, in accordance with 19 CFR 353.22(a), petitioner, General Housewares Corp. (GHC), requested that we conduct an administrative review of China National Light Import and Export Corporation (China Light), Shanghai Branch, through Amerport (H.K.), Ltd. We published the initiation of this antidumping duty administrative review covering the period December 1, 1993 through November 30, 1994, on January 13, 1995 (60 FR 3192). The Department is conducting this administrative review in accordance with section 751(a) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act).

Applicable Statute and Regulations

Unless otherwise stated, all citations to the statute and to the Department's regulations are references to the provisions as they existed on December 31, 1994.

Collapsing

The Department collapses related firms (*i.e.*, treats them as a single entity for review purposes and assigns them a single dumping margin) where the type and degree of relationship is so significant that we find there is a strong possibility of price manipulation. See *Sulfanilic Acid From the People's Republic of China; Final Results of Antidumping Administrative Review* (61 FR 53711, 53712; October 15, 1996). See