

is not a firm covered in this review, or the original investigation, but the manufacturer is, the cash deposit rate will be that established for the manufacturer of the merchandise in the final results of these reviews, or the LTFV investigation; and (4) if neither the exporter nor the manufacturer is a firm covered in this or any previous reviews or the original fair value investigation, the cash deposit rate will be 4.46%.

We will calculate importer-specific duty assessment rates on a unit value per pound basis. To calculate the per pound unit value for assessment, we summed the margins on U.S. sales with positive margins, and then divided this sum by the entered pounds of all U.S. sales.

This notice also serves as a reminder to importers of their responsibility under 19 CFR 353.26(b) to file a certificate regarding the reimbursement of antidumping duties prior to liquidation of the relevant entries during these review periods. 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 notice also serves as a reminder to parties subject to administrative protective orders (APOs) of their responsibility concerning the disposition of proprietary information disclosed under APO in accordance with 19 CFR 353.34(d). Timely written notification of the return/destruction of APO materials or conversion to judicial protective order is hereby requested. Failure to comply with the regulations and terms of an APO is a violation which is subject to sanction.

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

Dated: January 5, 1998.

**Robert S. LaRussa,**

*Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

**International Trade Administration**

[A-427-811]

**Certain Stainless Steel Wire Rods From France: Extension of Time Limit for Preliminary Results of the Antidumping Duty Administrative Review**

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

**ACTION:** Notice of extension of time limit for preliminary results of antidumping duty administrative review.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Commerce ("the Department") is extending the time limit for the preliminary results for the third review of certain stainless steel wire rods from France. This review covers the period January 1, 1996 through December 31, 1996.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** January 12, 1998.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Bob Bolling or Stephen Jacques at 202-482-3434 or 482-1391; Office of AD/CVD Enforcement, Group III, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, D.C. 20230.

*The Applicable Statute*

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

*Postponement of Preliminary Results*

The Department previously extended the preliminary results of this review by 90 days from October 3, 1997 to January 2, 1998. The Department has determined that it is not practicable to issue its preliminary results within the revised time limit. (See Decision Memorandum from Joseph A. Spetrini, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Enforcement Group III to Robert LaRussa, Assistant Secretary for Import Administration, January 2, 1998). Therefore, the Department is extending the time limit for completion of the preliminary results until January 16, 1998 in accordance with Section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act.

The deadline for the final results of these reviews will continue to be 90 days after publication of the preliminary results.

Dated: January 2, 1998.

**Richard O. Weible,**

*Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary for Enforcement Group III.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

**International Trade Administration**

[C-427-810]

**Certain Steel Products From France; Notice of Court Decision and Suspension of Liquidation**

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** On December 5, 1997, in *Inland Steel Industries, Inc. v. United States*, Consol. Court No. 93-09-00567-CVD, a lawsuit challenging the Department of Commerce's final affirmative countervailing duty determination of certain steel products from France, the Court of International Trade affirmed the Department's redetermination on remand. As a result, the final net subsidy rate for all programs for Usinor Sacilor has increased from 15.12% to 15.13% *ad valorem*, and the "country-wide" rate has increased from 15.12% to 15.13% *ad valorem*.

Consistent with the decision of the Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit in *Timken Co. v. United States*, 893 F.2d 337 (Fed. Cir. 1990), Commerce will direct the Customs Service to change the cash deposit rates being used in connection with the suspension of liquidation of the subject merchandise once there is a "conclusive" decision in this case.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** January 12, 1998.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Marian Wells, Office 1, Group 1, AD/CVD Enforcement, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Ave., N.W., Washington D.C. 20230, telephone: (202) 482-6309.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Background:**

On July 9, 1993, the Department of Commerce (the "Department" or "Commerce") published notice of its final affirmative countervailing duty determinations of certain steel products from France. *Final Affirmative Countervailing Duty Determinations; Certain Steel Products from France*, 58