

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**International Trade Administration**

[A-583-810]

Chrome-Plated Lug Nuts From Taiwan; Extension of Time Limit for Preliminary Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review

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

ACTION: Extension of time limit for preliminary results of antidumping duty administrative review of chrome-plated lug nuts from Taiwan.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce ("the Department") is extending the time limit for the preliminary results of the sixth antidumping duty administrative review of the antidumping order on chrome-plated lug nuts from Taiwan. This review covers 18 producers and exporters of chrome-plated lug nuts. The period of review is September 1, 1996 through August 31, 1997.

EFFECTIVE DATE: August 6, 1998.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Todd Peterson or Thomas Futtner, AD/CVD Enforcement Group II, Office 4, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20230, telephone (202) 482-4195 or 482-3814, respectively.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**Applicable Statute and Regulations**

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 Round Agreements Act. In addition, unless otherwise indicated, all citations to the Department's regulations are references to the provisions codified at 19 CFR 351.101, *et seq.* (62 FR 27269—May 19, 1997).

Extension of Preliminary Results

The Department initiated this administrative review on October 30, 1997 (62 FR 58705). Under section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act, the Department may extend the deadline for completion of an administrative review if it determines that it is not practicable to complete the review within the statutory time limit of 365 days. On July 14, 1998, we received a request from the respondent to extend the deadline for the preliminary determination. Because of the complexity and novelty of certain

issues in this case, it is not practicable to complete this review within the statutory time limit of 365 days. The Department, therefore, is extending the time limit for the preliminary results of the aforementioned review from August 3, 1998, to October 2, 1998. See memorandum from Maria Harris Tildon to Robert S. LaRussa, which is on file in Room B-099 at the Department's headquarters. The deadline for the final results of this review will continue to be 120 days after publication of the preliminary results.

This extension of time limit is in accordance with section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act and section 351.213(h)(2) of the Department's regulations.

Dated: July 31, 1998.

Maria Harris Tildon,

Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary, AD/CVD Enforcement Group II.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**International Trade Administration**

[(A-351-817)]

Certain Cut-to-length Carbon Steel Plate From Brazil; Antidumping Duty Administrative Review; Notice of Rescission of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review

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

ACTION: Notice of rescission of antidumping duty administrative review.

SUMMARY: On September 25, 1997, the Department of Commerce ("the Department") published in the **Federal Register** (62 FR 50292) a notice announcing the initiation of an administrative review of the antidumping duty order on Certain Cut-to-Length Carbon Steel Plate (Carbon Steel Plate) from Brazil. This administrative review covered two Brazilian manufacturers and exporters of plate, Usinas Siderurgica de Minas Gerais ("USIMINAS") and Companhia Siderurgica Paulista ("COSIPA"), for the period of August 1, 1996 through July 31, 1997. This review has now been rescinded as a result of the absence of shipments and entries into the United States of subject merchandise during the period of review.

EFFECTIVE DATE: August 6, 1998.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On August 29, 1997, Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP, on behalf of petitioners in this proceeding, requested a review of sales made by USIMINAS and COSIPA. On September 10, 1997, USIMINAS and COSIPA claimed, in a letter to the Department, "that they had no sales or entries of cut-to-length plate in the U.S. during the 1996/97 review period." The Department sent a no-shipment inquiry regarding USIMINAS and COSIPA to U.S. Customs on October 16, 1997. Customs did not indicate that there were any such entries. In a letter to the Department dated January 7, 1998, petitioners asked the Department to investigate the accuracy of respondents' claim. U.S. Census Bureau import statistics and privately collected data indicated there may have been entries of subject merchandise during the period of review. On January 20 and 29, 1998, Willkie Farr & Gallagher, counsel for USIMINAS and COSIPA, provided documentation to support its claim that the merchandise in question was either not entered for consumption in the United States (i.e., was transshipped to third countries) or was outside the scope of the antidumping duty order. On February 11, 1998, counsel for petitioners argued that the documentation provided was incomplete and inconclusive. Accordingly, the Department asked the U.S. Customs Service ("Customs") to conduct an inquiry to determine whether certain entries for consumption in the United States were properly classified as falling under the scope of the antidumping duty order. Customs conveyed the results of this inquiry to the Department on July 24, 1998, stating that all of the entries in question were of non-scope merchandise. The Department therefore concludes that USIMINAS and COSIPA made no shipments of the subject merchandise during the period of review. Accordingly, this administrative review is being rescinded in accordance with Section 751(a)(1) of the Tariff Act (19 U.S.C. 1675(a)(1)) and section 351.213(d)(3) of the Department's regulations.

Dated: July 28, 1998.

Joseph A. Spetrini,

Deputy Assistant Secretary, Enforcement Group III.

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