

751(a)(1) of the Act (19 U.S.C. 1675(a)(1)) and 19 CFR 351.213 and 19 CFR 351.221(b)(5).

Dated: January 4, 1999.

**Robert S. LaRussa,**

*Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.*

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for completion of the final results until February 5, 1999 in accordance with section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act.

Dated: January 6, 1999.

**Joseph A. Spetrini,**

*Deputy Assistant Secretary for Enforcement Group III.*

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#### Applicable Statute

Unless otherwise indicated, all citations to the statute are references to the provisions effective January 1, 1995, the effective date of the amendments made to the Tariff Act of 1930 (the Act) by the Uruguay Round Agreements Act (URAA). In addition, unless otherwise indicated, all citations to the Department's regulations refer to the regulations codified at 19 CFR part 351 (April 1998).

#### Background

On February 18, 1986, the Department published in the **Federal Register** an antidumping duty order on paintbrushes from the PRC. See 51 FR 5580. On February 4, 1998, the Department published in the **Federal Register** (63 FR 5930) a notice of opportunity to request an administrative review of the antidumping order on paintbrushes from the PRC covering the period February 1, 1997, through January 31, 1998.

On February 27, 1998, in accordance with 19 CFR 351.213(b)(1), petitioner, the Paint Applicator Division, requested that we conduct an administrative review of Hunan Provincial Native Produce & Animal By-Products I/E Corporation (Hunan). On February 27, 1998, HACO submitted a request for a review. We published a notice of initiation of this antidumping duty administrative review on March 23, 1998 (63 FR 13837). The Department is conducting this administrative review in accordance with section 751 of the Act.

#### Partial Rescission

We initiated a review of HACO and Hunan. However, on March 5, 1998, Hunan informed the Department that it had no shipments of the subject merchandise to the United States during the POR. We have independently confirmed with the United States Customs Service that there were no shipments from Hunan during the POR. Therefore, in accordance with § 351.213(d)(3) of the Department's regulations and consistent with Department practice, we are rescinding our review of Hunan (see, e.g., *Certain Welded Carbon Steel Pipe and Tube*

## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### International Trade Administration

[A-588-824]

#### Certain Corrosion-Resistant Carbon Steel Flat Products From Japan: Extension of Time Limit for Final Results of the Antidumping Duty Administrative Review

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

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

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Commerce ("the Department") is extending the time limit for the final results of the review of certain corrosion-resistant carbon steel flat products from Japan. This review covers the period August 1, 1996 through July 31, 1997. The preliminary results of this review notice was published in the **Federal Register** on September 8, 1998 (63 FR 47465).

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** January 13, 1999.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Doreen Chen or Rick Johnson at (202) 482-0408 or (202) 482-3818, respectively; Office of AD/CVD Enforcement, Group III, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 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 Round Agreements Act.

#### Extension of Final Results

The Department has determined that it is not practicable to issue its final results within the original time limit. See Decision Memorandum from Joseph A. Spetrini, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Enforcement Group III to Robert LaRussa, Assistant Secretary for Import Administration, January 6, 1999. The Department is extending the time limit

## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### International Trade Administration

[A-570-501]

#### Natural Bristle Paintbrushes and Brush Heads From The People's Republic of China; Preliminary Results and Partial Rescission of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review

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

**ACTION:** Notice of preliminary results and partial rescission of the antidumping duty administrative review of natural bristle paintbrushes and brush heads from the People's Republic of China.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Commerce (the Department) is conducting an administrative review of the antidumping duty order on natural bristle paintbrushes and brush heads (paintbrushes) from the People's Republic of China (PRC) in response to a request by petitioner, the Paint Applicator Division of the American Brush Manufacturers Association (the Paint Applicator Division) and by a PRC exporter of subject merchandise, the Hebei Animal By-Products Import & Export Corp. (HACO). This review covers shipments of this merchandise to the United States during the period February 1, 1997 through January 31, 1998. We are now rescinding this review in part with respect to the respondent who had no shipments of the subject merchandise during the period of review (POR).

We have preliminarily determined that sales by HACO have been made below normal value (NV). If these preliminary results are adopted in our final results, we will instruct the U.S. Customs Service to assess antidumping duties equal to the difference between export price and NV.

Interested parties are invited to comment on these preliminary results. Parties who submit arguments are requested to submit with each argument (1) a statement of the issue and (2) a brief summary of the argument.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** January 13, 1999.