

By order of the Commission.

Donna R. Koehnke,

Secretary.

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INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

[Investigation No. 332-345]

Recent Trends in U.S. Services Trade

AGENCY: United States International Trade Commission.

ACTION: Scheduling of 2000 report on Recent Trends in U.S. Services Trade and the opportunity for the public to submit information.

EFFECTIVE DATE: April 27, 1999.

SUMMARY: The Commission has prepared and published annual reports on U.S. trade in selected industries/commodity areas in conjunction with Commission investigation No. 332-345, *U.S. Trade Shifts in Selected Industries*, since 1993. Under the investigation the Commission publishes two annual reports, *Shifts in U.S. Merchandise Trade*, and *Recent Trends in U.S. Services Trade*. The latest version of the Recent Trends report may be obtained from the ITC's Internet server (<http://www.usitc.gov>). A printed report may be requested by contacting the Office of the Secretary at 202-205-2000 or by fax at 202-205-2104. The Commission plans to publish its 1999 report on services trade in May 1999. The 2000 report, scheduled to be published in May 2000, will cover cross-border trade for the period ending in 1998 and transactions by affiliates based outside the country of their parent firm for the period ending in 1997.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Questions about the *Recent Trends* report may be directed to the project leader, Dennis Luther, Office of Industries (202-205-3497). For information on the legal aspects, please contact Mr. William Gearhart, Office of General Counsel (202-205-3091). The media should contact Ms. Margaret O'Laughlin, Public Affairs Officer (202-205-1819). Hearing impaired individuals are advised that information on this matter can be obtained by contacting the TDD terminal on (202-205-1810). Inquiries or suggestions from the public regarding the report are welcome and should be addressed to the Secretary to the Commission, at (202-205-2000), U.S. International Trade Commission, 500 E Street SW, Washington, DC 20436. General information concerning the Commission

may also be obtained by accessing its Internet server (<http://www.usitc.gov>).

Background

The initial notice of institution of this investigation was published in the **Federal Register** of September 8, 1993 (58 FR 47287). The Commission expanded the scope of this investigation to cover services trade in a separate report, which it announced in a notice published in the **Federal Register** of December 28, 1994 (59 FR 66974). The services trade report has been published annually since June 1996 under investigation No. 332-345, while the merchandise trade report has been published under the same investigation annually since September 1993.

As in past years, the report will summarize trade in services in the aggregate and provide analyses of trends and developments in trade in selected service industries that occurred in the latest period for which data are published by the U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of Economic Analysis.

Written Submission

No public hearing is planned. However, interested persons are invited to submit written information relating to trade in service industries for the May 2000 report. Commercial or financial information which a submitter desires the Commission to treat as confidential must be provided on separate sheets of paper, each clearly marked "Confidential Business Information" at the top. All submissions requesting confidential treatment must conform with the requirements of § 201.6 of the Commission's rules and practice and procedure (19 CFR 201.6). All written submissions, except for confidential business information, will be made available in the Office of the Secretary of the Commission for inspection by interested persons. To be assured of consideration by the Commission, written statements relating to the Commission's report should be submitted to the Commission in accordance with § 201.8 at the earliest practical date and should be received no later than the close of business on August 31, 1999. All submissions should be addressed to the Secretary, United States International Trade Commission, 500 E Street SW, Washington, DC 20436. The Commission's rules do not authorize filing of submissions with the Secretary by facsimile or electronic means.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Drug Enforcement Administration

Importer of Controlled Substances; Notice of Registration

By Notice dated December 17, 1998 and published in the **Federal Register** on December 29, 1998 (63 FR 71655), B.I. Chemicals, Inc., 2820 N. Normandy Drive, Petersburg, Virginia 23805, made application to the Drug Enforcement Administration to be registered as an importer of phenylacetone (8501), a basic class of controlled substance listed in Schedule II.

The firm plans to import the phenylacetone for the bulk manufacture of amphetamine.

No comments or objections have been received. DEA has considered the factors in Title 21, United States Code, Section 823(a) and determined that the registration of B.I. Chemicals, Inc. to import phenylacetone is consistent with the public interest and with United States obligations under international treaties, conventions, or protocols in effect on May 1, 1971, at this time. DEA has investigated B.I. Chemicals, Inc. to ensure that the company's registration is consistent with the public interest. Therefore, pursuant to Section 1008(a) of the Controlled Substances Import and Export Act and in accordance with Title 21, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1301.34, the above firm is granted registration as an importer of the basic class of controlled substance listed above.

Dated: April 26, 1999.

John H. King,

Deputy Assistant Administrator, Office of Diversion Control, Drug Enforcement Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Drug Enforcement Administration

Manufacturer of Controlled Substances; Notice of Registration

By Notice dated December 14, 1998, and published in the **Federal Register** on December 23, 1998 (63 FR 71154), B.I. Chemicals, Inc., 2820 N. Normandy Drive, Petersburg, Virginia 23805, made