Zone procedures would exempt Givaudan from Customs duty payments on foreign materials used in production for export. On domestic shipments, the company would be able to defer Customs duty payments on foreign materials and choose the duty rate that applies to the finished products (duty free) instead of the rates otherwise applicable to the foreign materials (noted above). The company would also be exempt from duty payments on foreign merchandise that becomes scrap/waste (1%). The application indicates that the savings from zone procedures would help improve the plant’s international competitiveness.

In accordance with the Board’s regulations, a member of the FTZ staff has been appointed examiner to investigate the application and report to the Board.

Public comment is invited from interested parties. Submissions (original and 3 copies) shall be addressed to the Board’s Executive Secretary at the address below. The closing period for their receipt is November 12, 1999. Rebuttal comments in response to material submitted during the foregoing period may be submitted during the subsequent 15-day period (to November 29, 1999).

A copy of the application and accompanying exhibits will be available for public inspection at the following location: Office of the Executive Secretary, Foreign-Trade Zones Board, Room 3716, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th & Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230. Dated: September 3, 1999.

Dennis Puccinelli,
Acting Executive Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[Docket 44-99]

Foreign-Trade Zone 44—Mt. Olive, NJ; Request for Manufacturing Authority, Givaudan Roure Corporation, (Flavor and Fragrance Products), Mt. Olive, NJ

An application has been submitted to the Foreign-Trade Zones Board (the Board) by the New Jersey Commerce and Economic Growth Commission, Trenton, NJ, grantee of FTZ 44, pursuant to § 400.28(a)(2) of the Board’s regulations (15 CFR part 400), requesting authority on behalf of Givaudan Roure Corporation (Givaudan) to manufacture flavor and fragrance products under FTZ procedures within FTZ 44. It was formally filed on September 3, 1999.

The Givaudan facility (186,000 sq. ft.) is located at 300 Waterloo Valley Road within FTZ 44 in Mt. Olive, New Jersey. The Givaudan facility (186 employees) is used to produce a variety of flavors and fragrances, which are used in soaps, detergents, perfumes, cosmetics, toiletries and household products. Most of the finished products are categorized as fragrance compounds (duty rate—zero). The products are blended from a variety of natural and synthetic ingredients. Most of the finished products are categorized as fragrance compounds (duty rate—zero). The products are blended from a variety of natural and synthetic ingredients, a number of which are not available in the United States. The Givaudan facility (186 employees) is used to produce a variety of flavors and fragrances, which are used in soaps, detergents, perfumes, cosmetics, toiletries and household products. Blended from numerous natural and synthetic ingredients. Most of the finished products are categorized as fragrance compounds (duty rate—zero). The products are blended from a variety of natural and synthetic ingredients, a number of which are not available in the United States.

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Administrative Reviews, Partial Termination of Administrative Reviews, and Revocation In Part of Antidumping Duty Orders, 60 FR 10900,10959 (February 28, 1995). These final results were amended on March 31, 1995, May 15, 1995, June 13, 1995, June 29, 1995, December 19, 1995, and August 8, 1997 (see 60 FR 16608, 60 FR 25887, 60 FR 31143, 60 FR 33791, 60 FR 65264, and 62 FR 42745, respectively). The classes or kinds of merchandise covered by these reviews are ball bearings and parts thereof (BBs), cylindrical roller bearings and parts thereof (CRBs), and spherical plain bearings and parts thereof (SPBs). A domestic producer, the Torrington Company, and a number of respondent interested parties filed lawsuits with the United States Court of International Trade (CIT) challenging the final results. These lawsuits were litigated at the CIT, and the United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit (CAFC). In the course of this litigation, the CIT and CAFC issued a number of orders and opinions, of which the following have resulted in changes to the antidumping margins calculated in AFBs 4:

The Torrington Company v. United States, Slip Op. 97–136 (CIT September 17, 1997) with respect to France;

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
International Trade Administration

Final Results of Expedited Sunset Review: Brass Sheet and Strip From Sweden

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

ACTION: Notice of Final Results of Expedited Sunset Review: Brass Sheet and Strip from Sweden.

SUMMARY: On February 1, 1999, the Department of Commerce ("the Department") initiated a sunset review of the antidumping order on brass sheet and strip from Sweden (64 FR 4840) pursuant to section 751(c) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the "Act"). On the basis of a notice of intent to participate and adequate substantive response filed on behalf of domestic interested parties and inadequate response (in this case, a waiver) from respondent interested parties, the Department determined to conduct an expedited review. As a result of this review, the Department finds that revocation of the antidumping duty order would be likely to lead to continuation or recurrence of dumping at the levels indicated in the "Final Result of Review" section of this notice.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Eun W. Cho or Melissa G. Skinner, Office of Policy for Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482-1698 or (202) 482-1560, respectively.

EFFECTIVE DATE: September 13, 1999.

Statute and Regulations

This review was conducted pursuant to sections 751(c) and 752(c) of the Act. The Department's procedures for the conduct of sunset reviews are set forth in Procedures for Conducting Five-Year ("Sunset") Reviews of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Orders, 63 FR 13516 (March 20, 1998) ("Sunset Regulations"). Guidance on methodological or analytical issues relevant to the Department's conduct of sunset reviews is set forth in the Department's Policy Bulletin 98:3—Policies Regarding the Conduct of Five-year ("Sunset") Reviews of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Orders; Policy Bulletin, 63 FR 18871 (April 16, 1998) ("Sunset Policy Bulletin").

Scope

This order covers shipments of brass sheet and strip, other than leaded and tinned, from Sweden. The chemical composition of the covered products is currently defined in the Copper Development Association ("C.D.A.") 200 Series or the Unified Numbering System ("U.N.S.") C2000. This review does not cover products with chemical compositions that are defined by anything other than either the C.D.A. or U.N.S. series. In physical dimensions, the products covered by this review have a solid rectangular cross section over .0006 inches (.15 millimeters) in finished thickness or gauge, regardless of width. Coiled, wound-on-reels (traverse wound), and cut-to-length products are included. The merchandise is currently classified under Harmonized Tariff Schedule ("HTS") item numbers 7409.21.00 and 7409.29.00. The HTS numbers are provided for convenience and U.S. Customs purposes. The written description remains dispositive.

History of the Order

The antidumping duty order on brass sheet and strip from Sweden was published in the Federal Register on March 6, 1987 (52 FR 6998). In that order, the Department indicated that the weighted-average dumping margin for all entries of brass sheet and strip from Sweden is 9.49 percent. Since that time, the Department has completed several administrative reviews. The order remains in effect for all manufacturers and exporters of the subject merchandise.

Background

On February 1, 1999, the Department initiated a sunset review of the antidumping order on brass sheet and strip from Sweden (64 FR 4840), pursuant to section 751(c) of the Act. The Department received a Notice of Intent to Participate on behalf of Heyco Metals, Inc. ("Heyco"), Hussey Copper Ltd. ("Hussey"), Olin Corporation-Brass Group ("Olin"), Outokumpu American Brass ("OAB") (formerly American Brass Company), PMX Industries, Inc. ("PMX"), Revere Copper Products, Inc. ("Revere"), the International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers, the United Auto Workers (Local 2367), and the United Steelworkers of America (AFL-CIO) (collectively "the domestic interested parties") on February 16, 1999, within the deadline specified in section 351.218(d)(1)(i) of the Sunset Regulations. The domestic interested parties claimed interested party status under sections 771(9)(C) and 771(9)(D) of the Act as U.S. brass mills, rerollers, and unions whose workers are engaged...