

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[A-357-007]

Carbon Steel Wire Rod From Argentina; Antidumping Duty Administrative Review; Extension of Time Limit

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

ACTION: Notice of extension of time limit.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce (the Department) is extending the time limit of the preliminary results of the antidumping duty administrative review of Carbon Steel Wire Rod From Argentina. This review covers the period November 1, 1997 through October 31, 1998.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 12, 1999.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Helen Kramer or Linda Ludwig, 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; telephone (202) 482-0405 or 482-3833, respectively.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Owing to the complexity of model match issues in this case, it is not practicable to complete this review within the original time limit. See Decision Memorandum from Joseph A. Spetrini, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Enforcement Group III, to Robert S. LaRussa, Assistant Secretary for Import Administration, dated April 20, 1999. Therefore, the Department is extending the time limit for completion of the preliminary results until November 30, 1999, in accordance with Section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Trade and Tariff Act of 1930, as amended by the Uruguay Round Agreements Act of 1994.

Dated: September 30, 1999.

Richard O. Weible,

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Enforcement Group III.*

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[A-583-810]

Chrome-Plated Lug Nuts From Taiwan; Preliminary Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review

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

ACTION: Notice of preliminary results of antidumping duty administrative review.

SUMMARY: In response to a request by the petitioner, the Department of Commerce ("the Department") is conducting an administrative review of the antidumping duty order on chrome-plated lug nuts from Taiwan. The review covers 17 manufacturers/exporters of the subject merchandise to the United States for the period of review ("POR") September 1, 1997, through August 31, 1998.

For all companies named in this review, we are basing our preliminary results on "facts available" ("FA"). If these preliminary results are adopted in our final results of administrative review, we will instruct the U.S. Customs Service ("Customs") to assess antidumping duties on entries during the POR.

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

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 12, 1999.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Nova Daly or Thomas Futtner, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20230; telephone (202) 482-0989 or (202) 482-3814, respectively.

Applicable Statute and Regulations

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, as amended, ("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 (1998).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**Background**

On September 20, 1991, the Department published the antidumping

duty order on chrome-plated lug nuts from Taiwan (56 FR 47736). On September 30, 1998, the petitioner, Consolidated International Automotive, Inc. ("Consolidated"), requested that we conduct an administrative review for the period September 1, 1997, through August 31, 1998. We published a notice of "Initiation of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Administrative Review" on October 29, 1997 (62 FR 58705), and sent questionnaires to the following firms: Anmax Industrial Co., Ltd. ("Anmax"), Buxton International Corporation ("Buxton"), Chu Fong Metallic Electric Co. ("Chu Fong"), Everspring Plastic Corp. ("Everspring"), Gingen Metal Corp. ("Gingen"), Gourmet Equipment (Taiwan) Corporation ("Gourmet"), Hwen Hsin Enterprises Co., Ltd. ("Hwen"), Kwan How Enterprises Co., Ltd. ("Kwan How"), Kwan Ta Enterprises Co. Ltd ("Kwan Ta"), Kuang Hong Industries, Ltd. ("Kuang"), Multigrand Industries Inc. ("Multigrand"), San Chien Electric Industrial Works, Ltd. ("San Chien"), San Shing Hardware Works Co., Ltd. ("San Shing"), Transcend International Co. ("Transcend"), Trade Union International Inc./Top Line ("Trade Union"), Uniauto, Inc. ("Uniauto") and Wing Tang Electrical Manufacturing Company, Inc ("Wing"). Gourmet and Trade Union responded to the questionnaire.

Questionnaires that were sent to Transcend, Kwan How, Kwan Ta, Kuang, Everspring, and Gingen were returned as undeliverable. We are classifying these companies as "unlocated companies", and, in accordance with our practice with respect to companies to which we cannot send a questionnaire, are assigning them the "all others" rate established in the less-than-fair-value ("LTFV") investigation, which was 6.93 percent. See *Steel Wire Rope From the Republic of Korea; Final Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review*, 60 FR 63503 (December 11, 1995); see also *Sweaters Wholly or in Chief Weight of Man-Made Fiber From Hong Kong; Final Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review*, 59 FR 13926 (March 24, 1994).

Scope of the Review

The merchandise covered by this review is one-piece and two-piece chrome-plated lug nuts, finished or unfinished, which are more than $1\frac{1}{16}$ inches (17.45 millimeters) in height and which have a hexagonal (hex) size of at least $\frac{3}{4}$ inches (19.05 millimeters), but not over one inch (25.4 millimeters), plus or minus $\frac{1}{16}$ of an inch (1.59 mm). The term "unfinished" refers to