

affirmative preliminary determinations by the Department of Commerce that imports of certain seamless carbon and alloy steel standard, line, and pressure pipe from Japan and South Africa are being sold in the United States at less than fair value within the meaning of section 733 of the Act (19 U.S.C. 1673b). The investigations were requested in petitions filed on June 30, 1999, by Koppel Steel Corp., Beaver Falls, PA; Sharon Tube Co., Sharon, PA; U.S. Steel Group, Fairfield, AL; USS/Kobe Steel Co., Lorain, OH; and Vision Metals' Gulf States Tube Div., Rosenberg, TX.

The petitions also alleged that an industry in the United States is materially injured or threatened with material injury, or the establishment of an industry in the United States is materially retarded, by imports sold at less than fair value from the Czech Republic, Mexico, and Romania. The Commission made affirmative preliminary injury determinations with regard to those imports. Commerce has postponed its preliminary determinations concerning whether imports from these countries are sold at less than fair value. In the event Commerce makes affirmative preliminary determinations, the Commission will activate the final phase of those antidumping investigations. The briefing schedule, hearing, and other deadlines as outlined below will also apply to those investigations.

Participation in the Investigations and Public Service List

Persons, including industrial users of the subject merchandise and, if the merchandise is sold at the retail level, representative consumer organizations, wishing to participate in the final phase of these investigations as parties must file an entry of appearance with the Secretary to the Commission, as provided in section 201.11 of the Commission's rules, no later than 21 days prior to the hearing date specified in this notice. A party that filed a notice of appearance during the preliminary phase of the investigations need not file an additional notice of appearance during this final phase. The Secretary will maintain a public service list containing the names and addresses of all persons, or their representatives, who are parties to the investigations.

Limited Disclosure of Business Proprietary Information (BPI) Under an Administrative Protective Order (APO) and BPI Service List

Pursuant to section 207.7(a) of the Commission's rules, the Secretary will make BPI gathered in the final phase of

these investigations available to authorized applicants under the APO issued in the investigations, provided that the application is made no later than 21 days prior to the hearing date specified in this notice. Authorized applicants must represent interested parties, as defined by 19 U.S.C. 1677(9), who are parties to the investigations. A party granted access to BPI in the preliminary phase of the investigation need not reapply for such access. A separate service list will be maintained by the Secretary for those parties authorized to receive BPI under the APO.

Staff Report

The prehearing staff report in the final phase of these investigations will be placed in the nonpublic record on February 23, 2000, and a public version will be issued thereafter, pursuant to section 207.22 of the Commission's rules.

Hearing

The Commission will hold a hearing in connection with the final phase of these investigations beginning at 9:30 a.m. on March 7, 2000, at the U.S. International Trade Commission Building. Requests to appear at the hearing should be filed in writing with the Secretary to the Commission on or before February 29, 2000. A nonparty who has testimony that may aid the Commission's deliberations may request permission to present a short statement at the hearing. All parties and nonparties desiring to appear at the hearing and make oral presentations should attend a prehearing conference to be held at 9:30 a.m. on March 3, 2000, at the U.S. International Trade Commission Building. Oral testimony and written materials to be submitted at the public hearing are governed by sections 201.6(b)(2), 201.13(f), and 207.24 of the Commission's rules. Parties must submit any request to present a portion of their hearing testimony in camera no later than 7 days prior to the date of the hearing.

Written Submissions

Each party who is an interested party shall submit a prehearing brief to the Commission. Prehearing briefs must conform with the provisions of section 207.23 of the Commission's rules; the deadline for filing is March 1, 2000. Parties may also file written testimony in connection with their presentation at the hearing, as provided in section 207.24 of the Commission's rules, and posthearing briefs, which must conform with the provisions of section 207.25 of the Commission's rules. The deadline

for filing posthearing briefs is March 14, 2000; witness testimony must be filed no later than three days before the hearing. In addition, any person who has not entered an appearance as a party to the investigations may submit a written statement of information pertinent to the subject of the investigations on or before March 14, 2000. On March 27, 2000, the Commission will make available to parties all information on which they have not had an opportunity to comment. Parties may submit final comments on this information on or before March 29, 2000, but such final comments must not contain new factual information and must otherwise comply with section 207.30 of the Commission's rules. All written submissions must conform with the provisions of section 201.8 of the Commission's rules; any submissions that contain BPI must also conform with the requirements of sections 201.6, 207.3, and 207.7 of the Commission's rules. The Commission's rules do not authorize filing of submissions with the Secretary by facsimile or electronic means.

In accordance with sections 201.16(c) and 207.3 of the Commission's rules, each document filed by a party to the investigations must be served on all other parties to the investigations (as identified by either the public or BPI service list), and a certificate of service must be timely filed. The Secretary will not accept a document for filing without a certificate of service.

Authority: These investigations are being conducted under authority of title VII of the Tariff Act of 1930; this notice is published pursuant to section 207.21 of the Commission's rules.

By order of the Commission.

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Donna R. Koehnke,

Secretary.

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INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

Sunshine Act Meeting

[USITC SE-00-002]

AGENCY HOLDING THE MEETING: International Trade Commission.

TIME AND DATE: January 19, 2000 at 11:00 a.m.

PLACE: Room 101, 500 E Street S.W., Washington, DC 20436, Telephone: (202) 205-2000.

STATUS: Open to the public.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:

1. Agenda for future meeting: none.

2. Minutes.

3. Ratification List.

4. Inv. No. 731-TA-814

(Final)(Creatine Monohydrate from China)—briefing and vote. (The Commission will transmit its determination to the Secretary of Commerce on January 26, 2000.)

5. Inv. Nos. 701-TA-387-391 and 731-TA-816-821 (Final)(Certain Cut-to-Length Steel Plate from France, India, Indonesia, Italy, Japan, and Korea)—briefing and vote. (The Commission will transmit its determination to the Secretary of Commerce on January 28, 2000.)

6. Outstanding action jackets: none.

In accordance with Commission policy, subject matter listed above, not disposed of at the scheduled meeting, may be carried over to the agenda of the following meeting.

Issued: January 10, 2000.

By order of the Commission:

Donna R. Koehnke,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment and Training Administration

Notice of Determinations Regarding Eligibility To Apply for Worker Adjustment Assistance and NAFTA Transitional Adjustment Assistance

In accordance with Section 223 of the Trade Act of 1974, as amended, the Department of Labor herein presents summaries of determinations regarding eligibility to apply for trade adjustment assistance for workers (TA-W) issued during the period of December, 1999 and January, 2000.

In order for an affirmative determination to be made and a certification of eligibility to apply for worker adjustment assistance to be issued, each of the group eligibility requirements of Section 222 of the Act must be met.

(1) That a significant number or proportion of the workers in the workers' firm, or an appropriate subdivision thereof, have become totally or partially separated,

(2) That sales or production, or both, of the firm or subdivision have decreased absolutely, and

(3) That increases of imports of articles like or directly competitive with articles produced by the firm or appropriate subdivision have contributed importantly to the

separations, or threat thereof, and to the absolute decline in sales or production.

Negative Determinations for Worker Adjustment Assistance

In each of the following cases the investigation revealed that criterion (3) has not been met. A survey of customers indicated that increased imports did not contribute importantly to worker separations at the firm.

TA-W-36,841; *Sony Magnetic Products of America, Inc., Dothan, AL*

TA-W-36,732; *F.G. Montabert Co., Midland Park, NJ*

TA-W-37,120; *Sonat Exploration Co., Oklahoma City, OK*

TA-W-37,113; *Alliance Machine Co., Alliance, OH*

TA-W-36,632; *Dailey International, Conroe, TX*

TA-W-36,782; *Durkopp Adler America, IN., Norcross, GA*

TA-W-36,980; *Brockway Mould, Inc., Brockport, PA*

TA-W-37,057; *Chromalloy Gas Turbine Corp., Turbine Airfoils Div., Harrisburg, PA*

TA-W-37,013; *Wm. F. Groce, Inc., Selinsgrove, PA*

TA-W-36,888; *Donaldson Co., Oelwein, IA*

TA-W-36,799; *Marijon Dyeing and Finishing Co., East Rutherford, NJ*

In the following cases, the investigation revealed that the criteria for eligibility have not been met for the reasons specified.

TA-W-36,928; *Operators and Consulting Service, Inc., Lafayette, LA*

TA-W-36,953; *Siematic Corp., Bensalem, PA*

The workers' firm does not produce an article as required for certification under Section 222 of the Trade Act of 1974.

TA-W-37,139; *Friendly Ice Cream Corp., Troy, OH*

TA-W-36,998; *Atlanta Attachment Co., Lawrenceville, GA*

TA-W-37,146; *National Standard Co., Corbin, KY*

TA-W-37,137; *Hale Products, Inc., Conshohocken, PA*

TA-W-36,741 & A, B; *Greenwood Mills, Inc., Adams Plant, Ninety Six, SC, Chalmers Plant, Greenwood, SC and Greenwood Plant, Greenwood, SC*

Increased imports did not contribute importantly to worker separations at the firm.

TA-W-36,994; *Belle Knitting Mills, Brooklyn, NY*

The investigation revealed that criteria (2) has not been met. Sales or

production did not decline during the relevant period as required for certification.

TA-W-37,153; *Kelley's Controls, Odessa, TX*

The investigation revealed that criteria (1) has not been met. A significant number or production of the workers did not become totally or partially separated from employment as required for certification.

TA-W-36,721; *Markco Machine Works, Inc., Odessa, TX*

Aggregate US imports of oil and gas field equipment were negligible during the relevant period.

Affirmative Determinations for Worker Adjustment Assistance

The following certifications have been issued; the date following the company name and location of each determination references the impact date for all workers of such determination.

TA-W-37,110; *Red Kap Industries, A Div. of VF Workwear, Inc., Cookeville, TN: November 15, 1998.*

TA-W-37,141; *Summit Sportswear, Minor Hill, TN: November 6, 1998.*

TA-W-37,140; *Winatic Corp., Vestal, NY: November 15, 1998.*

TA-W-37,135; *HI Fashion Garment Corp., Garfield, NJ: November 17, 1998.*

TA-W-36,893; *Calabrian Chemical Corp., CuC1 Dept., Port Neches, TX: September 20, 1998.*

TA-W-36,788; *Deer Lodge Apparel, Inc., Deer Lodge, TN: August 19, 1998.*

TA-W-36,963; *Lucas Varsity PLC, Automotive Div., Cincinnati, OH: September 17, 1998.*

TA-W-37,148; *Ilsco Corp., Mt. Sterling, KY: November 16, 1998.*

TA-W-36,967; *Blue Falcon Forge, Berwick, PA: October 4, 1998.*

TA-W-37,136; *Lipton—Instant Tea Can Line, Suffolk, VA: November 23, 1998.*

TA-W-36,997; *Bestform Intimates, Johnstown, PA: October 5, 1998.*

TA-W-37,088; *Master Foam, Inc., North Hollywood, CA: November 9, 1998.*

TA-W-37,070; *Arachnid, Inc., Loves Park, IL: October 29, 1998.*

TA-W-37,118; *Hoppe Cutting, Inc., Allentown, PA: November 1, 1998.*

TA-W-36,896; *General Electric Co., Industrial Systems, Tell City, IN: September 22, 1998.*

TA-W-36,872; *Issac Hazen & Co., Inc., Brooklyn, NY: August 30, 1998.*

TA-W-36,809; *Bayer Diagnostics, Oberlin, OH: August 26, 1998.*

TA-W-37,122; *Williams Cutting Service, Inc., Brownsville, TX: November 16, 1998.*