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*Acting Designated Federal Official.*  
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**ACTION:** Notice of Initiation of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Administrative Reviews.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**  
**Background**

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Commerce has received requests to conduct administrative reviews of various antidumping and countervailing duty orders and findings with December anniversary dates. In accordance with our regulations, we are initiating those administrative reviews.

The Department of Commerce (the Department) has received timely requests, in accordance with 19 CFR 351.213(b)(1997), for administrative reviews of various antidumping and countervailing duty orders and findings with December anniversary dates.

**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

**International Trade Administration**

**Initiation of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Administrative Reviews**

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

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** January 26, 2000.

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**Initiation of Reviews**

In accordance with section 19 CFR 351.221(c)(1)(i), we are initiating administrative reviews of the following antidumping and countervailing duty orders and findings. We intend to issue the final results of these reviews not later than December 31, 2000.

	Period to be reviewed
<b>Antidumping duty proceedings</b>	
Canada: A-122-047 Elemental Sulphur .....	12/1/98-11/30/99
Husky Oil Limited Petrosul International	
Chile: A-337-804 Certain Preserved Mushrooms .....	8/5/98-11/30/99
Nature's Farm Products Ravine Foods	
Japan: A-588-046 Polychloroprene Rubber .....	12/1/98-11/30/99
Denki Kagaku Kogyo Kabushiki Kaisha Tosoh Corporations	
Mexico: A-201-504 Porcelain-On-Steel Cooking Ware .....	12/1/98-11/30/99
Cinsa, S.A. de C.V. Esmaltaciones de Norte America, S.A. de C.V.	
Republic of Korea: A-580-810 Welded ASTM A-312 Stainless Steel Pipe .....	12/1/98-11/30/99
SeAH Steel Corporation, Ltd.	
Taiwan: A-583-815 Welded ASTM A-312 Stainless Steel Pipe .....	12/1/98-11/30/99
Ta Chen Stainless Steel Pipe	
The People's Republic of China: A-570-827 Certain Cased Pencils* .....	12/1/98-11/30/99
China First Pencil Company, Ltd.	

	Period to be reviewed
<p>China Second Pencil Company, Ltd.                      Shanghai Three Star Stationery Company, Ltd.                      Beijing Pencil Factory                      Dalian Pencil Factory                      Donghua Pencil Factory                      Harbin Pencil Factory                      Jiangsu Pencil Factory                      Jinan Pencil Factory                      Juihai Pencil Factory                      Julong Pencil Factory                      Qingdao Pencil Factory                      Shenyang Pencil Factory                      Songnan Pencil Factory                      Tianjin Pencil Factory                      Xinbang Joint Venture Pencil Factory                      Anhui Import/Export Group Corporation                      Anhui Light Industrial Products I/E Corporation                      Anhui Provincial Imports &amp; Exports Corporation                      Beijing Light Industrial Products I/E Corp.                      China First Pencil Company, Ltd.                      China Second Pencil Company, Ltd.                      China National Light Industrial Products Import &amp; Export Corporation (all branches)                      Dalian Light Industrial Products Import/Export Corporation                      Jiangsu Light Industrial Products Import/Export Group Corp.                      Jilin Provincial Machinery &amp; Equipment Import &amp; Export Corporation                      Liaoning Light Industrial Products Import/Export Corporation                      Qingdao Light Industrial Products Import/Export Corporation                      Shandong Light Industrial Products Import/Export Corporation                      Sichuan Light Industrial Products Import/Export Corporation                      Tianjin Stationery and Sporting Goods Import/Export Corporation                      Zhenjiang Foreign Trade Corporation                      Laizhou City Guangming Pencil-Making Lead Co., Ltd.</p> <p>*If one of the above named companies does not qualify for a separate rate, all other exporters of certain cased pencils from the People's Republic of China who have not qualified for a separate rate are deemed to be covered by this review as part of the single PRC entity of which the named exporters are a part.</p> <p>The People's Republic of China: A-570-506                      Porcelain-O-Steel Cooking Ware * .....                      Clover Enamelware Enterprises, Ltd.                      Lucky Enamelware Factory Limited</p> <p>*If one of the above named companies does not qualify for a separate rate, all other exporters of porcelain-on-steel cooking ware from the People's Republic of China who have not qualified for a separate rate are deemed to be covered by this review as part of the single PRC entity of which the named exporters are a part.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Countervailing Duty Proceedings</b></p> <p>None.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Suspension Agreements</b></p> <p>None.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">12/1/98-11/30/99</p>

During any administrative review covering all or part of a period falling between the first and second or third and fourth anniversary of the publication of an antidumping duty order under section 351.211 or a determination under section 351.218(d) (sunset review), the Secretary, if requested by a domestic interested party within 30 days of the date of publication of the notice of initiation of the review, will determine whether antidumping duties have been absorbed by an exporter or producer subject to the review if the subject merchandise is sold in the United States through an importer that is affiliated with such exporter or producer. The request must include the name(s) of the exporter or producer for which the inquiry is requested.

For transition orders defined in section 751(c)(6) of the Act, the Secretary will apply paragraph (j)(1) of this section to any administrative review initiated in 1998 (19 CFR 351.213(j)(1-2)).

Interested parties must submit applications for disclosure under administrative protective orders in accordance with 19 CFR 351.305.

These initiations and this notice are in accordance with section 751(a) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (19 U.S.C. 1675(a)), and 19 CFR 351.221(c)(1)(i).

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**Holly A. Kuga,**  
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**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

**National Institute of Standards and Technology**  
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**National Voluntary Conformity Assessment System Evaluation (NVCASE) Program**

**AGENCY:** National Institute of Standards and Technology, Commerce.  
**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) hereby announces the establishment of a sub-program under the National Voluntary Conformity Assessment System Evaluation (NVCASE) program to recognize bodies that accredit quality