

incorrectly matching the quality physical characteristic for home market and U.S. sales.

Department's Position: We agree with the POSCO Group and have corrected our model match program to reflect the proper quality physical matching characteristic for the home and U.S. markets. For the computer code we used to correct this ministerial error, see the Memorandum from Becky Hagen to Edward Yang, dated March 21, 2000, a public version of which is available in the Central Records Unit, Room B-099 of the Department of Commerce building, 14th Street and Constitution Ave, N.W., Washington, D.C.

Amended Final Results of Review

As a result of the corrections, we have determined that duty absorption has occurred with respect to the percentages of sales shown below which were made through Respondents' U.S. affiliates and which had positive dumping margins:

Producer/manufacturer/exporter	Percentage of U.S. affiliate's sales with dumping margins
Certain Cold-Rolled Carbon Steel Flat Products: The POSCO Group	1.16
Certain Corrosion-Resistant Carbon Steel Flat Products: Dongbu	20.68
The POSCO Group	6.85

The percentages for Union remain unchanged from the final results. Additionally, we have determined that the following weighted-average margins exist for the period August 1, 1997 through July 31, 1998:

Producer/manufacturer/exporter	Weighted-average percent margin
Certain Cold-Rolled Carbon Steel Flat Products: Dongbu	0.00
The POSCO Group	0.10
Certain Corrosion-Resistant Carbon Steel Flat Products: Dongbu	1.42
The POSCO Group	0.68

The weighted-average margins for Union remain unchanged from the final results.

The Department shall determine, and the U.S. Customs Service ("Customs") shall assess, antidumping duties on all appropriate entries. In accordance with 19 CFR 351.212(b), we have calculated exporter/importer-specific assessment rates. With respect to both export price and constructed export price sales, we

divided the total dumping margins for the reviewed sales by the total entered value of those reviewed sales for each importer. We will direct Customs to assess the resulting percentage margins against the entered Customs values for the subject merchandise on each of that importer's entries under the relevant order during the review period. Notwithstanding the previous sentence, and pursuant to 19 CFR 351.106(c)(2), we will instruct Customs to liquidate without regard to antidumping duties all entries of subject merchandise made during the August 1, 1997 through July 31, 1998 review period which were made by any person for which the importer-specific assessment rate calculated in accordance with 19 CFR 351.212(b)(1) is less than 0.5 percent *ad valorem*, or the equivalent specific rate.

Cash Deposit Requirements

The following deposit requirements will be effective upon publication of this notice of amended final results of administrative reviews for all shipments of cold-rolled and corrosion-resistant carbon steel flat products from Korea entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after the date of publication, as provided by section 751(a)(1) of the Act: (1) The cash deposit rates for the reviewed companies will be the rates shown above except that, for firms whose weighted-average margins are less than 0.5 percent and therefore *de minimis*, the Department shall require no deposit of estimated antidumping duties; (2) for previously reviewed or investigated companies not listed above, the cash deposit rate will continue to be the company-specific rate published for the most recent period; (3) if the exporter is not a firm covered in this review, a prior review, or the original less than fair value ("LTFV") investigation, but the manufacturer is, the cash deposit rate will be the rate established for the most recent period for the manufacturer of the merchandise; and (4) the cash deposit rate for all other manufacturers or exporters will continue to be 14.44 percent (for certain cold-rolled carbon steel flat products) or 17.70 percent (for certain corrosion-resistant carbon steel flat products). These rates are the "all others" rates from the LTFV investigations. See Antidumping Duty Orders on Certain Cold-Rolled Carbon Steel Flat Products and Certain Corrosion-Resistant Carbon Steel Flat Products from Korea, 58 FR 44159 (August 19, 1993).

These deposit requirements shall remain in effect until publication of the final results of the next administrative review.

This notice also serves as a final reminder to importers of their responsibility under 19 CFR 351.402(f) to file a certificate regarding the reimbursement of antidumping duties prior to liquidation of the relevant entries during this review period. Failure to comply with this requirement could result in the Secretary's presumption that reimbursement of antidumping duties occurred and the subsequent assessment of doubled antidumping duties.

This notice also serves as the only reminder to parties subject to administrative protective orders ("APO") of their responsibility concerning the return or destruction of proprietary information disclosed under APO in accordance with 19 CFR 351.305 or conversion to judicial protective order is hereby requested. Failure to comply with the regulations and terms of an APO is a violation which is subject to sanction.

We are issuing and publishing this determination and notice in accordance with sections 751(a)(1) and 777(i) of the Act.

Dated: April 14, 2000.

Troy H. Cribb,

Acting Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[A-588-852]

Notice of Final Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value: Structural Steel Beams From Japan

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

EFFECTIVE DATE: April 25, 2000.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Juanita H. Chen or Robert Bolling, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, DC 20230; telephone 202-482-0409 and 202-482-3434, respectively.

The 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 ("Act") by the Uruguay Round Agreements Act ("URAA"). In addition, unless otherwise indicated, all citations to the

Department regulations are to the regulations at 19 CFR Part 351 (April 1999).

Final Determination

We determine that Structural Steel Beams (“Structurals”) from Japan are being, or are likely to be, sold in the United States at less than fair value (“LTFV”), as provided in Section 735 of the Act. The estimated margins are shown in the “Continuation of Suspension of Liquidation” section of this notice.

Case History

On February 11, 2000, we published in the **Federal Register** the preliminary determination in this investigation. See Notice of Preliminary Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value: Structural Steel Beams from Japan, 65 FR 6992 (February 11, 2000) (“Preliminary Determination”). No interested parties have filed case briefs or rebuttal briefs on the Preliminary Determination and no request for a hearing has been received by the Department.

Scope of Investigation

For purposes of this investigation, the products covered are doubly-symmetric shapes, whether hot- or cold-rolled, drawn, extruded, formed or finished, having at least one dimension of at least 80 mm (3.2 inches or more), whether of carbon or alloy (other than stainless) steel, and whether or not drilled, punched, notched, painted, coated, or clad. These products (“Structural Steel Beams”) include, but are not limited to, wide-flange beams (“W” shapes), bearing piles (“HP” shapes), standard beams (“S” or “I” shapes), and M-shapes.

All products that meet the physical and metallurgical descriptions provided above are within the scope of this investigation unless otherwise excluded. The following products, are outside and/or specifically excluded from the scope of this investigation:

- Structural steel beams greater than 400 pounds per linear foot or with a web or section height (also known as depth) over 40 inches.

The merchandise subject to this investigation is classified in the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (“HTSUS”) at subheadings: 7216.32.0000, 7216.33.0030, 7216.33.0060, 7216.33.0090, 7216.50.0000, 7216.61.0000, 7216.69.0000, 7216.91.0000, 7216.99.0000, 7228.70.3040, 7228.70.6000. Although the HTSUS subheadings are provided for convenience and Customs purposes, the written description of the

merchandise under investigation is dispositive.

Period of Investigation

The period of investigation (“POI”) is July 1, 1998 through June 30, 1999.

Facts Available

In the Preliminary Determination, the Department based the dumping margins for respondents Kawasaki Steel Corporation, Nippon Steel Corporation, NKK Corporation/Toa Steel Co., Ltd., and Sumitomo Metals Industries, Ltd., on facts otherwise available under Section 776(a)(2)(A) of the Act because these respondents failed to participate in the investigation and failed to provide information requested by the Department needed to calculate a dumping margin as detailed in the Preliminary Determination. The Department based the dumping margins for respondent Tokyo Steel Manufacturing Co., Ltd. on facts otherwise available under Section 776(a)(2)(B) of the Act because this respondent failed to provide the information requested by the Department in the form or manner requested as detailed in the Preliminary Determination. The Department based the dumping margins for respondent Topy Industries, Limited, on facts otherwise available under Section 776(a)(2)(A) of the Act because this respondent only provided information responding to Section A of the Department’s antidumping questionnaire and failed to provide any other information requested by the Department needed to calculate a dumping margin as detailed in the Preliminary Determination.

In selecting from among the facts otherwise available, section 776(b) of the Act provides that adverse inferences may be used when a party fails to cooperate by not acting to the best of its ability to comply with the Department’s requests for information. As detailed in the Preliminary Determination, the Department has determined that the use of adverse inferences is warranted for all respondents because all respondents have failed to cooperate to the best of their abilities in this investigation.

Further, section 776(b) of the Act states that an adverse inference may include reliance on information derived from the petition or any other information placed on the record. See also “Statement of Administrative Action” (“SAA”) accompanying the URAA, H.R. Rep. No. 103–316, 829–831 (1994). Pursuant to Section 776(b) of the Act, the Department applied the highest margin calculated from the information placed on the record by petitioners on

August 13, 1999 and November 12, 1999. We continue to find this margin corroborated, pursuant to Section 776(c) of the Act, for the reasons discussed in the Preliminary Determination. No interested parties have objected to the use of adverse facts available for the mandatory respondents in this investigation, nor to the Department’s choice of facts available. Furthermore, the Department has received no request for a hearing in this investigation. Accordingly, for its final determination, the Department is continuing use of the highest margin alleged by petitioners for all non-responding mandatory respondents in this investigation.

The All-Others Rate

No interested parties have filed case briefs or rebuttal briefs on this issue. Accordingly, the Department is continuing to base the “all-others” rate on the simple average of margins submitted to the record by petitioners on August 13, 1999 and November 12, 1999 which is 31.98 percent, for the reasons discussed in the Preliminary Determination.

Continuation of Suspension of Liquidation

In accordance with Section 735(c)(1)(B) of the Act, we are directing the U.S. Customs Service (“Customs”) to continue to suspend liquidation of all entries of subject merchandise from Japan that are entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after February 11, 2000, the date of publication of the Preliminary Determination in the **Federal Register**.

We will instruct Customs to require a cash deposit or posting of a bond for each entry equal to the margins shown below. These suspension of liquidation instructions will remain in effect until further notice. The weighted-average dumping margins are as follows:

Exporter/manufacturer	Weighted-average margin (percentage)
Kawasaki Steel Corporation	65.21
Nippon Steel Corporation	65.21
NKK Corporation/Toa Steel Co., Ltd	65.21
Sumitomo Metals Industries, Ltd	65.21
Tokyo Steel Manufacturing Co., Ltd	65.21
Topy Industries, Limited	65.21
All Others	31.98

ITC Notification

In accordance with Section 735(d) of the Act, we have notified the International Trade Commission (“ITC”) of our determination. As our final

determination is affirmative, the ITC will, within 45 days, determine whether these imports are materially injuring, or threaten material injury to, the U.S. industry. If the ITC determines that material injury, or threat of material injury does not exist, the proceeding will be terminated and all securities posted will be refunded or canceled. If the ITC determines that such injury does exist, the Department will issue an antidumping duty order directing Customs officials to assess antidumping duties on all imports of the subject merchandise entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after the effective date of the suspension of liquidation.

This determination is issued and published in accordance with Sections 735(d) and 777(i)(1) of the Act.

Dated: April 14, 2000.

Troy H. Cribb,

Acting Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council; Public Meetings

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of public meetings.

SUMMARY: The Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council (Council) and its Comprehensive Management Committee, Law Enforcement Committee, Information & Education Committee, Habitat Committee, Large Pelagics Committee, Executive Committee, and Demersal Committee as a Council Committee of the Whole together with the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission's (ASMFC) Summer Flounder, Scup, and Black Sea Bass Board, will hold a public meeting. **DATES:** The meetings will be held on Tuesday, May 9, 2000 to Thursday, May 11, 2000. See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** for specific dates and times.

ADDRESSES: These meetings will be held at the Sheraton Inn, N. duPont Highway, Dover, DE; telephone: 302-678-8500.

Council address: Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council, 300 S. New

Street, Dover, DE 19904, telephone: 302-674-2331.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Daniel T. Furlong, Executive Director, Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council; telephone: 302-674-2331, ext. 19.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On Tuesday, May 9, 2000, from 9:00 a.m. until noon, the Comprehensive Management Committee will meet.

The Law Enforcement Committee will meet from 10:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m.

The Information & Education Committee will meet from 11:00 a.m. until noon.

The Habitat Committee will meet from 1:00-5:00 p.m.

On Wednesday, May 10, 2000, from 8:00-9:00 a.m., the Large Pelagics Committee will meet.

The Executive Committee will meet from 9:00-10:00 a.m.

Council convenes at 10:00 a.m. and meets with the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission's Summer Flounder, Scup, and Black Sea Bass Board from 10:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m.

On Thursday, May 11, 2000, Council will be in session from 8:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m.

Agenda items for this meeting are: Review and modify draft framework action regarding research quota set asides, review and rank Council research priorities, and discuss summer flounder workshop design. Review nomination process for quarterly Law Enforcement recognitions. Discuss use of teleconferencing in lieu of meetings, explore possibilities for future Information & Education presentations, and discuss ideas for the June Newsletter. Review and discuss Minerals Management Service Environmental Assessment for sand mining (NJ south to VA), discuss NMFS general concurrence process regarding Council Fishery Management Plans (FMPs), evaluate performance of NMFS success in use of elevation process with Corps of Engineers, and review Long Island Sound Environmental Impact Statement regarding ocean disposal sites. Develop recommendations regarding NMFS proposed division line for north-south Atlantic bluefin tuna angling categories. Discuss possible decoupling of joint Dogfish and Monkfish FMPs, and review composition of monitoring committees. Initiate action to amend the summer flounder section of the FMP by considering perpetuation of conservation equivalency (or not), and amend the scup section of the FMP by revising the process used for allocation of total allowable catch, discards, and

total allowable levels, and by possibly re-establishing state-by-state quota allocations. Address scup recreational specifications for 2000 by determining a response to NMFS' rejection of 50 fish possession limit. The Council will also approve minutes from its March, 2000 meeting, review and comment on March meeting actions, and receive organizational reports from the NMFS Regional Administrator, NMFS Science Center Director, NOAA Office of General Counsel, U.S. Fish & Wildlife, Federal Enforcement units and the ASMFC. It will also receive Committee reports from the following committees: New England Council, South Atlantic Council, Monkfish, Comprehensive Management, Law Enforcement, Information & Education, Habitat, Large Pelagics, and Executive.

Although non-emergency issues not contained in this agenda may come before the Council for discussion, such issues may not be the subject of formal Council action during this meeting. Council action will be restricted to those issues specifically listed in this notice and any issues arising after publication of this notice that require emergency action under section 305(c) of the Magnuson-Stevens Act, provided the public has been notified of the Council's intent to take final actions to address such emergencies.

Request for Comment on Experimental Fishing Proposal

On May 11, 2000, the NMFS Northeast Regional Administrator will request oral public comment on a proposed experimental fishery that requires issuance of Experimental Fishing Permits (EFPs). The public may comment at that time, or may submit comments in writing. Written comments must be received by May 11, 2000 and should be submitted to: Patricia Kurkul, Regional Administrator, NMFS, Northeast Regional Office, 1 Blackburn Drive, Gloucester, MA 01930. Written comments may be submitted by facsimile (fax) to 978-281-9135, but may not be submitted via e-mail or the Internet. The proposal is summarized below.

The NMFS Northeast Fisheries Science Center (NEFSC) proposes to conduct cooperative research with industry that would require two vessels to conduct *Illex Squid (Illex illecebrosus)* surveys in the U.S. Exclusive Economic Zone on the edge of the continental shelf between northeastern Georges Bank and Cape Fear, North Carolina (approximately 35°-41° latitude). The purpose of the surveys is to calculate a pre-fishery abundance estimate and improve data