

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**International Trade Administration**

[A-570-838]

Notice of Postponement of Preliminary Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review: Suspension Agreement on Honey from the People's Republic of China

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

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

EFFECTIVE DATE: May 4, 2000.

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Postponement of Preliminary Results

The Department of Commerce ("the Department") is postponing the preliminary results in the antidumping administrative review of the Suspension Agreement on Honey from the People's Republic of China ("PRC"). The deadline for issuing the preliminary results in these administrative reviews is now August 30, 2000.

On August 30, 1999, the Department initiated this administrative review, setting May 2, 2000 as the date for issuing the preliminary results of the review. *See Initiation of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Administrative Reviews and Requests for Revocation in Part*, August 30, 1999 (64 FR 53318). Because it is only the second time a review of a suspension agreement involving export limits and reference prices has been initiated by the Department, raising novel legal and enforcement issues, we have determined that it is not practicable to complete this review within the normal time frame and are therefore extending the time limit for these preliminary results of the administrative review of the Suspension Agreement on Honey from the PRC by 120 days, in accordance with section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended.

The date for issuing the preliminary results is moved from May 2, 2000 to August 30, 2000.

Dated: April 28, 2000.

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Deputy Assistant Secretary, AD/CVD Enforcement Group III.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**International Trade Administration**

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Notice of Final Determinations of Sales at Less Than Fair Value: Certain Large Diameter Carbon and Alloy Seamless Standard, Line and Pressure Pipe from Japan; and Certain Small Diameter Carbon and Alloy Seamless Standard, Line and Pressure Pipe from Japan and the Republic of South Africa

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

EFFECTIVE DATE: May 4, 2000.

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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 ("the Act") by the Uruguay Round Agreements Act ("URAA"). In addition, unless otherwise indicated, all citations to the Department of Commerce ("the Department") regulations refer to the regulations codified at 19 CFR part 351 (April 1999).

Final Determinations

We determine that large diameter carbon and alloy seamless standard, line and pressure pipe (large diameter seamless pipe) from Japan, and small diameter carbon and alloy seamless standard, line and pressure pipe (small diameter seamless pipe) from Japan and the Republic of South Africa (South Africa) are being 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 *Suspension of Liquidation* section of this notice.

Case History

The preliminary determinations in these investigations were issued on December 7, 1999. *See Notice of*

Preliminary Determinations of Sales at Less Than Fair Value: Certain Large Diameter Carbon and Alloy Seamless Standard, Line and Pressure Pipe from Japan and Certain Small Diameter Carbon and Alloy Seamless Standard, Line and Pressure Pipe from Japan and the Republic of South Africa, 64 FR 69718 (December 14, 1999)

("Preliminary Determinations"). On January 13, 2000, in the investigations involving Japan, case briefs were filed by Sumitomo Metal Industries, Ltd. (SMI), MC Tubular Products, Inc. (MCTP) and the American Boiler Manufacturers Association (ABMA). The petitioners¹ submitted a rebuttal brief on January 21, 2000. No briefs were filed in the investigation involving the Republic of South Africa (South Africa). On March 9, 2000, we published an affirmative preliminary determination of critical circumstances in the investigations involving small diameter pipe from Japan and South Africa.² A hearing was held on March 14, 2000, in the context of the investigations involving Japan. On April 26, 2000, the petitioners requested that the scope of the large diameter investigation be amended to exclude certain products.

Analysis of Comments Received

All issues raised in the case and rebuttal briefs by parties to these investigations are addressed in the "Issues and Decision Memorandum" (Decision Memorandum) from Holly A. Kuga, Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary, Import Administration, to Troy H. Cribb, Acting Assistant Secretary for Import Administration, dated April 27, 2000, which is hereby adopted by this notice.

A list of the issues which parties have raised and to which we have responded, all of which are in the Decision Memorandum, is attached to this notice as an Appendix. Parties can find a complete discussion of all issues raised in these investigations and the corresponding recommendations in this public memorandum which is on file in the Central Records Unit, room B-099 of the main Department building.

¹ The petitioners in the large diameter pipe cases include U.S. Steel Group (a unit of USX Corp.), Lorain Tubular Co. LLC ("formerly USS/Kobe Steel Company") and the United Steel Workers of America. The petitioners in the small diameter pipe cases include Koppel Steel Corporation, Sharon Tube Company, U.S. Steel Group, Lorain Tubular Co. LLC and Vision Metals, Inc. (Gulf States Tube Division) and the United Steel Workers of America.

² *See Preliminary Determinations of Critical Circumstances: Certain Small Diameter Carbon and Alloy Seamless Standard, Line and Pressure Pipe from Japan and South Africa* 65 FR 12509 (March 9, 2000).