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Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to Susan Schechter, OMB Desk Officer, room 10201, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503.

Dated: June 1, 2000.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

DOC has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. chapter 35).

Agency: U.S. Census Bureau.

Title: Manufacturers' Shipments, Inventories, and Orders Survey.

Form Number(s): M-3(SD), M3-SD(I), M3-1-L1.

Agency Approval Number: 0607-0008.

Type of Request: Revision of a currently approved collection.

Burden: 24,000 hours.

Number of Respondents: 6,000 monthly.

Avg. Hours Per Response: 20 minutes.

Needs and Uses: The Census Bureau conducts the M3 survey, one of the principal Federal economic indicators, to collect monthly manufacturing data from a sample of firms in the manufacturing sector of the economy. Data requested are shipments, new orders, unfilled orders, total inventory, materials and supplies, work-in-process and finished goods. The data are used to analyze short- and long-term trends in the manufacturing sector and as related to other sectors of the economy. The shipments and inventory data are essential inputs into the gross domestic product accounts, while the orders data are direct inputs into the leading economic indicator series. The survey also provides valuable and timely data for economic planning and analysis to business firms, trade associations, research and consulting agencies, and

academia on the domestic manufacturing sector.

In this request, the total annual burden hours are revised upward to reflect an increase in the survey panel. The conversion of the survey from the Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) system to the North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) will result in new and reconfigured industry categories, which will require a larger survey panel to ensure sufficient coverage in all industries.

Affected Public: Businesses, large and small, or other for profit organizations.

Frequency: Monthly.

Respondent's Obligation: Voluntary.

Legal Authority: Title 13, U.S.C.,

Sections 131 and 182.

OMB Desk Officer: Susan Schechter, (202) 395-5103.

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International Trade Administration

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Certain Circular Welded Carbon Steel Pipes and Tubes From Taiwan: Preliminary Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review and Partial Rescission of Review

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

ACTION: Notice of preliminary results of antidumping duty administrative review and rescission in part.

SUMMARY: In response to a request from the petitioners, the Department of Commerce (the Department) is conducting an administrative review of the antidumping duty order on certain circular welded steel pipes and tubes from Taiwan. The review covers one

manufacturer/exporter of the subject merchandise to the United States, and the period May 1, 1998 through April 30, 1999. We find that Yieh Hsing Enterprise Co. Ltd., (Yieh Hsing) made sales of subject merchandise below normal value; if these preliminary results are adopted in our final results of administrative review, we will instruct the Customs Service to assess antidumping duties based on the difference between the export price and the normal value. Regarding six other companies, we rescind the review.

Interested parties are invited to comment on these preliminary results. Parties who submit argument in this proceeding are requested to submit with the argument (1) A statement of the issue and (2) a brief summary of the argument (no longer than five pages, including footnotes).

EFFECTIVE DATE: June 7, 2000.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Thomas Killiam or Robert James, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230; telephone (202) 482-5222 or (202) 482-0649, respectively.

Applicable Statute

Unless otherwise indicated, all citations to the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act) are references to the provisions effective January 1, 1995, the effective date of the amendments made to the Act by the Uruguay Round Agreements Act. In addition, unless otherwise indicated, all citations to the Department's regulations are to the regulations codified at 19 CFR Part 351 (1998).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On May 28, 1999, the petitioners, Allied Tube & Conduit Corp., Wheatland Tube Company, and the Sawhill Tubular Division of Armco Inc., requested reviews of seven Taiwanese companies: An Mau Steel Co. (now renamed Sheng Yu Steel Co. Ltd., and hereafter referred to as Sheng Yu), Far East Machinery Co., Ltd. (FEMCO), Kao Hsing Chang Iron & Steel Corporation (KHC), Tai Feng Industries Ltd. (TFI), Yieh Hsing, Yu Din Steel Co. Ltd. (Yu Din), and Yieh Loong Co., Ltd. (Yieh Loong).

We initiated the reviews on June 30, 1999 (64 FR 35124). In response to our requests for information, FEMCO, Sheng Yu, and Yieh Loong reported that they made no U.S. sales or shipments of subject merchandise during the period of review (POR). On inquiry by the