

abroad (HTS 2905.39.10; duty rate 7.9%).

FTZ procedures would exempt ISP from Customs duty payments on the foreign components used in export production. Some 35 percent of the BLO produced from the imported B1D in 1999 was exported. On its domestic sales, ISP would be able to choose the duty rates during Customs entry procedures that apply to BLO (3.7%) for the foreign input noted above. The request indicates that the savings from FTZ procedures would help improve the plant's international competitiveness.

In accordance with the Board's regulations, a member of the FTZ Staff has been designated examiner to investigate the application and report to the Board.

Public comment is invited from interested parties. Submissions (original and 3 copies) shall be addressed to the Board's Executive Secretary at the address below. The closing period for their receipt is March 19, 2001. Rebuttal comments in response to material submitted during the foregoing period may be submitted during the subsequent 15-day period to April 3, 2001.

A copy of the application and the accompanying exhibits will be available for public inspection at each of the following locations:

U.S. Department of Commerce, Export Assistance Center, 601 West Broadway, Room, 634B, Louisville, KY 40202

Office of the Executive Secretary, Foreign-Trade Zones Board, Room 4008, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th and Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230

Dated: January 10, 2001.

Dennis Puccinelli,

Executive Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[Order No. 1135]

Expansion of Foreign-Trade Zone 46, Cincinnati, OH Area

Pursuant to its authority under the Foreign-Trade Zones Act (the Act) of June 18, 1934, as amended (19 U.S.C. 81a-81u), the Foreign-Trade Zones Board (the Board) adopts the following Order:

WHEREAS, the Greater Cincinnati Foreign Trade Zone, Inc. (GCFTZ), grantee of FTZ 46, submitted an

application to the Board for authority to expand FTZ 46—Site 3 (Clermont County Industrial Park) to include three additional parcels (FTZ Doc. 44-2000, filed 7-27-00);

WHEREAS, notice inviting public comment was given in the **Federal Register** (64 FR 47712, 8-3-00) and the application has been processed pursuant to the FTZ Act and the Board's regulations; and,

WHEREAS, the Board adopts the findings and recommendations of the examiner's report, and finds that the requirements of the Act and the Board's regulations are satisfied, and that the proposal is in the public interest;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board hereby authorizes the grantee to expand its zone as requested in the application, subject to the Act and the Board's regulations, including Section 400.28.

Signed at Washington, DC, this 29th day of December 2000.

Richard W. Moreland,

Acting Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Import Administration, Alternate Chairman, Foreign-Trade Zones Board.

Pierre V. Duy,

Acting Executive Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[C-428-817]

Certain Cut-to-Length Carbon Steel Plate from Germany; Final Results of Countervailing Duty Administrative Reviews

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

ACTION: Notice of Final Results of Countervailing Duty Administrative Reviews.

SUMMARY: On September 8, 2000, the Department of Commerce (the Department) published in the **Federal Register** its preliminary results of administrative reviews of the countervailing duty order on certain cut-to-length carbon steel plate from Germany for the periods calendar year 1997 and calendar year 1998 (65 FR 54496). The Department has now completed these administrative reviews in accordance with section 751(a) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act). For information on the net subsidy for each reviewed company, and for all non-reviewed companies, please see the "Final Results of Review" section of this notice. We will instruct the U.S.

Customs Service (Customs) to assess countervailing duties as detailed in the "Final Results of Review" section of this notice.

EFFECTIVE DATE: January 17, 2001.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Robert Copyak, Office of AD/CVD Enforcement VI, Group II, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482-2786.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.213(b), these administrative reviews cover only those producers or exporters of the subject merchandise for which the administrative reviews were specifically requested. Accordingly, these administrative reviews cover exporter Novosteel SA and producer Reiner Brach GmbH and Co. KG. We received timely allegations of additional subsidies, including allegations of upstream subsidies. We initiated examinations of three of these alleged subsidy programs and determined not to initiate examinations of the alleged upstream subsidy programs. See memorandum to Melissa G. Skinner, Director, Office of AD/CVD Enforcement VI, from Team, entitled *1997 and 1998 Administrative Reviews of the Countervailing Duty Order on Certain Cut-to-Length Carbon Steel Plate from Germany: Memorandum Regarding Affiliation, Cross-ownership, Upstream Subsidy Allegations, and Other Subsidy Allegations*, dated August 23, 2000. (This memorandum is on file in public version form in the public file room of room B-099 of the main Commerce building.) These administrative reviews cover 39 programs and the periods calendar year 1997 and calendar year 1998.

On September 8, 2000, the Department published in the **Federal Register** its preliminary results of administrative reviews. See *Certain Cut-to-Length Carbon Steel Plate From Germany; Preliminary Results of Countervailing Duty Administrative Reviews*, 65 FR 54496 (*Preliminary Results*). We invited interested parties to comment on the *Preliminary Results*. We received comments on October 10, 2000, and on October 27, 2000.

Applicable Statute and Regulations

Unless otherwise indicated, all citations to the statute are references to the provisions of the Act, as amended by the Uruguay Round Agreements Act (URAA) effective January 1, 1995. The

Department is conducting these administrative reviews in accordance with section 751(a) of the Act. In addition, unless otherwise indicated, all citations to the Department's regulations reference 19 CFR part 351 (1999).

Scope of the Review

The merchandise subject to these administrative reviews includes hot-rolled carbon steel universal mill plates (*i.e.*, flat-rolled products rolled on four faces or in a closed box pass, of a width exceeding 150 millimeters but not exceeding 1,250 millimeters and of a thickness of not less than 4 millimeters, not in coils and without patterns in relief), of rectangular shape, neither clad, plated nor coated with metal, whether or not painted, varnished, or coated with plastics or other nonmetallic substances; and certain hot-rolled carbon steel flat-rolled products in straight lengths, of rectangular shape, hot rolled, neither clad, plated, nor coated with metal, whether or not painted, varnished, or coated with plastics or other nonmetallic substances, 4.75 millimeters or more in thickness and of a width which exceeds 150 millimeters and measures at least twice the thickness, as currently classifiable in the HTSUS under item numbers (7208.40.3030), (7208.40.3060), (7208.51.0030), (7208.51.0045), (7208.51.0060), (7208.52.0000), (7208.53.0000), (7208.90.0000), (7210.70.3000), (7210.90.9000), (7211.13.0000), (7211.14.0030), (7211.14.0045), (7211.90.0000), (7212.40.1000), (7212.40.5000), (7212.50.0000). Included in these administrative reviews are flat-rolled products of non-rectangular cross-section where such cross-section is achieved subsequent to the rolling process (*i.e.*, products which have been "worked after rolling")—for example, products which have been beveled or rounded at the edges. Excluded from these reviews is grade X-70 plate. Also excluded from these administrative reviews is certain carbon cut-to-length steel plate with a maximum thickness of 80 mm in steel grades BS 7191, 355 EM, and 355 EMZ, as amended by Sable Offshore Energy Project specification XB MOO Y 15 0001, types 1 and 2.

Analysis of Programs

Programs Determined To Be Not Used

We examined the following programs and determined, based on the questionnaire responses, that the producer and/or exporter of the subject merchandise did not apply for or receive benefits under these programs during the periods of review:

1. Capital Investment Grants
2. Investment Premium Act
3. Joint Scheme: Improvement of Regional Economic Structure—GA Investment Grants and Other GA Subsidies
4. Ruhr District Action Program
5. Aid for Closure of Steel Operations
6. Joint Program: Upswing East
7. Freight Programs under the Special Subsidies for Companies in the Zonal Border Area
8. Loan Guarantees under Treuhandanstalt Subsidies
9. Long-term Loans from the Kreditanstalt fur Wiederaufbau (KfW)
10. Tax Programs under Special Subsidies for Companies in the Zonal Border Area
11. Structural Improvement Aids
12. ECSC Article 54 Loans
13. ECSC Article 54 Interest Rebates
14. ECSC Redeployment Aid Under Article 56(2)(b)
15. ECSC Article 54 Loans
16. ECSC Article 54 Interest Rebates
17. Loans with Reduced Interest Rates under the Steel Restructuring Plan
18. Federal and State Government Loan Guarantees under the Steel Restructuring Plan
19. Special Ruhr Plan
20. Zukunftsinitiative Montaregionen (ZIM)
21. Kreditanstalt fur Wiederaufbau (KfW) Investment Loans for Eastern Germany
22. Deutsche Ausgleichsbank Investment Loans for Eastern Germany
23. European Recovery Program Loans for Eastern Germany
24. Loan Guarantee Program Loans for Eastern Germany
25. Peine-Salzgitter Profit Transfer Agreement and Other Operation Loss Subsidies
26. Elimination of Duisburg Harbor Tolls
27. Export Credits at Preferential Rates
28. Miscellaneous Tax Subsidies
29. Loans from the Government of Nordrhein-Westphalen
30. Tax Subsidies for Eastern Germany
31. European Investment Bank Loans and Loan Guarantees
32. New Community Instrument Loans
33. European Regional Development Fund Aid
34. Nordrhein-Westphalen's Air Pollution Control Program
35. ECSC Article 54 Loan Guarantees
36. ECSC Article 56 Conversion Loans
37. European Social Funds Grants
38. Assistance Measures for the Companies within the Steel Industry to Partially Compensate for Costs of the Social Plans
39. Social Aid for the Workers in the Coal and Steel Industries

Analysis of Comments Received

The comments submitted by interested parties are addressed in the "Issues and Decision Memorandum" (Decision Memorandum) from Holly A. Kuga, Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary, Import Administration, to Troy H. Cribb, Assistant Secretary for Import Administration, dated January 8, 2000, which is hereby adopted by this notice. A list of the issues addressed is attached to this notice as Appendix I. The Decision Memorandum is a public document which is on file in room B-099 of the Main Commerce Building and can be accessed via the internet at the website <http://ia.ita.doc.gov/frn> and under the heading "Germany." The paper copy and electronic version of the Decision Memorandum are identical in content.

Final Results of Administrative Reviews

In accordance with 19 CFR 351.221(b)(5), we calculated an individual subsidy rate for the producer/exporter subject to these administrative reviews. For the periods calendar year 1997 and calendar year 1998, we determine the net subsidy for Novosteel SA/Reiner Brach GmbH and Co. KG to be 0.00 percent *ad valorem*.

As provided for in the Act and 19 CFR 351.106(c)(1), any rate less than 0.5 percent *ad valorem* in an administrative review is *de minimis*. Accordingly, no countervailing duties will be assessed. The Department will instruct Customs to liquidate, without regard to countervailing duties, shipments of the subject merchandise from Novosteel SA produced by Reiner Brach GmbH and Co. KG, exported on or after January 1, 1997 through December 31, 1997 and January 1, 1998 through December 31, 1998. Also, the cash deposits for this producer will be zero.

Because the URAA replaced the general rule in favor of a country-wide rate with a general rule in favor of individual rates for investigated and reviewed companies, the procedures for establishing countervailing duty rates, including those for non-reviewed companies, are now essentially the same as those in antidumping cases, except as provided for in section 777A(e)(2)(B) of the Act. The requested review will normally cover only those companies specifically named. See 19 CFR 351.213(b). Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.212(c), for all companies for which a review was not requested, duties must be assessed at the cash deposit rate, and cash deposits must continue to be collected, at the rate previously ordered. As such, the countervailing duty cash deposit rate applicable to a company

can no longer change, except pursuant to a request for a review of that company. See *Federal-Mogul Corporation and The Torrington Company v. United States*, 822 F.Supp. 782 (CIT 1993) and *Floral Trade Council v. United States*, 822 F.Supp. 766 (CIT 1993) (interpreting 19 CFR 353.22(e), the prior antidumping regulation on automatic assessment, which was identical to 19 CFR 355.22(g)). Therefore, the cash deposit rates for all companies except those covered by these reviews will be unchanged by the results of these reviews.

We will instruct Customs to continue to collect cash deposits for non-reviewed companies at the most recent company-specific or country-wide rate applicable to the company. Accordingly, the cash deposit rates that will be applied to non-reviewed companies covered by this order will be the rate for that company established in the most recently completed administrative proceeding conducted under the URAA. If such a review has not been conducted, the rate established in the most recently completed administrative proceeding pursuant to the statutory provisions that were in effect prior to the URAA amendments is applicable. See *Final Affirmative Countervailing Duty Determinations: Certain Steel Products from Germany*, 58 FR 37315 (July 9, 1993). This rate shall apply to the non-reviewed companies until a review of a company assigned these rates is requested. In addition, for the periods calendar year 1997 and calendar year 1998, the assessment rates applicable to all non-reviewed companies covered by this order are the cash deposit rates in effect at the time of entry.

This notice serves as a reminder to parties subject to administrative protective order (APO) of their responsibility concerning the disposition of proprietary information disclosed under APO in accordance with 19 CFR 351.305(a)(3). Timely written notification of return/destruction of APO materials or conversion to judicial protective order is hereby requested. Failure to comply with the regulations and the terms of an APO is a sanctionable violation.

These administrative reviews and this notice are issued and published in accordance with sections 751(a)(1) and 777(i)(1) of the Act.

Dated: January 8, 2001.

Troy H. Cribb,
Assistant Secretary for Import
Administration.

APPENDIX 1—Issues Discussed in Decision Memorandum

Analysis of Comments

1. Upstream Subsidy Allegations
2. Need to Conduct Verification
3. Attribution of Subsidies

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 011001A]

Small-craft Facility Questionnaire

AGENCY: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA).

ACTION: Proposed information collection; comment request.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)).

DATES: Written comments must be submitted on or before March 19, 2001.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Madeleine Clayton, Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 6086, 14th and Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20230 (or via Internet at MClayton@doc.gov).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument(s) and instructions should be directed to Lyn Preston, Chief, Nautical Data Branch, Marine Chart Division, N/CS26, Room 7350, 1315 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910-3282 (phone 301-713-2737, ext. 123 or e-mail Lyn.Preston@noaa.gov).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

NOAA's National Ocean Services produces nautical charts to ensure safe navigation. Small-craft charts are designed for recreational boaters and include information on local marine facilities and the services they provide (fuel, repairs, etc.). Information must be

gathered from marinas to update the information provided to the public.

II. Method of Collection

Forms are sent to marinas when the relevant chart is to be updated. Forms are also made available at boat shows.

III. Data

OMB Number: 0648-0021.
Form Number: NOAA Form 77-1.
Type of Review: Regular submission.
Affected Public: Business or other for-profit organizations.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 1,600.

Estimated Time Per Response: 8 minutes.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 213.

Estimated Total Annual Cost to Public: \$0.

IV. Request for Comments

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden (including hours and cost) of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval of this information collection; they also will become a matter of public record.

Dated: January 9, 2001

Gwellnar Banks,
Management Analyst, Office of the Chief
Information Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 011001B]

Observer Workshop Survey

AGENCY: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA).

ACTION: Proposed information collection; comment request.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce, as part of its continuing