

LIST OF PETITION ACTION BY TRADE ADJUSTMENT ASSISTANCE FOR PERIOD 5/18/01–6/18/01—Continued

Firm name	Address	Date petition accepted	Product
Bearse Manufacturing Co., Inc	3815 West Cortland Street, Chicago, IL 60647.	05/25/01	Luggage and garment bags of nylon, and bags for hand tool dust collection and filtration.
Everbrite, Inc	4949 S. 110th Street, Greenfield, WI 53228.	05/25/01	Illuminated signs.
Harper Manufacturing Co., Inc	617 Lachiocotte Road, Lugoff, SC 29078.	06/04/01	Wooden furniture for the bedroom.
Konkolville Lumber Co., Inc	2705 E. Michigan Avenue, Orofino, ID 83544.	06/04/01	Douglas fir and larch lumber.
Pine Hill Plastics, Inc	10261 Smithville Highway, McMinnville, TN 37111.	06/04/01	Plastic injection component molds for air conditioners, telephone hand sets, and small appliances.
DaMa Jewelry Technology, Inc	25 Oakdale Avenue, Johnston, RI 02919.	06/04/01	Earring clutches, posts and clips.
Chuck Roast Equipment, Inc	Odell Hill Road, Conway, NH 03818.	06/04/01	Men's women's and children's fleece outerwear and sportswear.
Blitz U.S.A., Inc	404 26th Avenue, NW., Miami, Oklahoma 74354.	06/04/01	Plastic gas containers, funnels and pans for the automotive industry.
Ronson Machine & Manufacturing, Inc.	3000 Little Blue Expressway, Independence, MO 64057.	06/05/01	Fabricated sheet metal boxes.
Inland-Joseph Fruit Company	300 North Frontage Road, Wapato, WA 98951.	06/06/01	Fruits—pears, apples, cherries, peaches, nectarines, apricots, plums and prunes.
Hotwatt, Inc	128 Maple Street, Danvers, MA 01923.	06/12/01	Dielectric heating elements.
Apeasay, Inc	789 Highline Road, Hood River, OR 97031.	06/12/01	Pears and apples.
Tahoe Jewelry, Inc	20 J. Medeiros Way, East Providence, RI 02914.	06/13/01	Women's costume necklaces, bracelets, earrings, pins, cuff links and rings.

The petitions were submitted pursuant to Section 251 of the Trade Act of 1974 (U.S.C. 2341). Consequently, the United States Department of Commerce has initiated separate investigations to determine whether increased imports into the United States of articles like or directly competitive with those produced by each firm contributed importantly to total or partial separation of the firm's workers, or threat thereof, and to a decrease in sales or production of each petitioning firm.

Any party having a substantial interest in the proceedings may request a public hearing on the matter. A request for a hearing must be received by Trade Adjustment Assistance, Room 7315, Economic Development Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, Washington, DC 20230, no later than the close of business of the tenth calendar day following the publication of this notice.

The Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance official program number and title of the program under which these petitions are submitted is 11.313, Trade Adjustment Assistance.

Dated: June 19, 2001.

Anthony J. Meyer,

Coordinator, Trade Adjustment and Technical Assistance.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[A-337-806]

Initiation of Antidumping Duty Investigation: IQF Red Raspberries from Chile

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

ACTION: Initiation of Antidumping Duty Investigation.

EFFECTIVE DATE: June 28, 2001.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Craig W. Matney or Jennifer D. Jones at (202) 482-1778 and (202) 482-4194, respectively; Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230.

Initiation of Investigation

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's (the Department's) regulations are references

to the provisions codified at 19 CFR part 351 (April 2000).

The Petition

On May 31, 2001, the Department received a petition filed in proper form by the IQF Red Raspberry Fair Trade Committee (hereinafter "the petitioner"). The Department received information supplementing the petition throughout the initiation period.

In accordance with section 732(b) of the Act, the petitioner alleges that imports of IQF red raspberries from Chile are being, or are likely to be, sold in the United States at less than fair value within the meaning of section 731 of the Act, and that such imports are materially injuring an industry in the United States.

The Department finds that the petitioner and its members filed this petition on behalf of the domestic industry because it is an interested party as defined in section 771(9)(C), (E) and (G) of the Act and it has demonstrated sufficient industry support with respect to the antidumping investigation that it is requesting the Department to initiate (*see the Industry Support section, below*).

Scope of Investigation

The products covered by this petition are imports of individually quick frozen (IQF) whole or broken red raspberries from Chile, with or without the addition

of sugar or syrup, regardless of variety, grade, size or horticulture method (e.g., organic or not), the size of the container in which packed, or the method of packing. The scope of the petition excludes fresh red raspberries and block frozen red raspberries (i.e., puree, straight pack, juice stock, and juice concentrate).

The merchandise subject to this investigation is classifiable under 0811.20.2020 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS). Although the HTSUS subheading is provided for convenience and customs purposes, the written description of the merchandise under investigation is dispositive.

During our review of the petition, we discussed the scope with the petitioner to ensure that it accurately reflects the product for which the domestic industry is seeking relief. Moreover, as discussed in the preamble to the Department's regulations (see Antidumping Duties; Countervailing Duties; Final Rule, 62 FR 27295, 27323 (May 19, 1997)), we are setting aside a period for parties to raise issues regarding product coverage. The Department encourages all parties to submit such comments within 20 calendar days of publication of this notice. Comments should be addressed to Import Administration's Central Records Unit at Room 1870, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230. The period of scope consultations is intended to provide the Department with ample opportunity to consider all comments and consult with parties prior to the issuance of the preliminary determination.

Determination of Industry Support for the Petition

Section 732(b)(1) of the Act requires that a petition be filed on behalf of the domestic industry. Section 732(c)(4)(A) of the Act provides that a petition meets this requirement if the domestic producers or workers who support the petition account for: (1) At least 25 percent of the total production of the domestic like product, and (2) more than 50 percent of the production of the domestic like product produced by that portion of the industry expressing support for, or opposition to, the petition.

Section 771(4)(A) of the Act defines the "industry" as the producers of a domestic like product. Thus, to determine whether the petition has the requisite industry support, the statute directs the Department to look to producers and workers who produce the domestic like product. The International

Trade Commission (ITC), which is responsible for determining whether "the domestic industry" has been injured, must also determine what constitutes a domestic like product in order to define the industry. While both the Department and the ITC must apply the same statutory definition regarding the domestic like product (section 771(10) of the Act), they do so for different purposes and pursuant to separate and distinct authority. In addition, the Department's determination is subject to limitations of time and information. Although this may result in different definitions of the domestic like product, such differences do not render the decision of either agency contrary to the law.¹

Section 771(10) of the Act defines the domestic like product as "a product which is like, or in the absence of like, most similar in characteristics and uses with, the article subject to an investigation under this subtitle." Thus, the reference point from which the domestic like product analysis begins is "the article subject to an investigation," i.e., the class or kind of merchandise to be investigated, which normally will be the scope as defined in the petition.

The domestic like product referred to in the petition is the single domestic like product defined in the "Scope of Investigations" section above. No party has commented on the petition's definition of the domestic like product, and there is nothing on the record to indicate that this definition is inaccurate. The Department, therefore, has adopted the domestic like product definition set forth in the petition.

Moreover, the Department has determined that the petition contains adequate evidence of industry support; therefore, polling is unnecessary (see *Initiation Checklist*, dated June 20, 2001 (*Initiation Checklist*), at Industry Support). The petitioner indicated that there may be several additional small U.S. producers accounting for less than 10 percent of U.S. production who are not members of the IQF Red Raspberry Fair Trade Committee. We have no knowledge of any other domestic producers of IQF red raspberries. Accordingly, the Department determines that this petition is filed on behalf of the domestic industry within the meaning of section 732(b)(1) of the Act.

¹ See *Algoma Steel Corp. Ltd. v. United States*, 688 F. Supp. 639, 642-44 (CIT 1988); *High Information Content Flat Panel Displays and Display Glass from Japan: Final Determination; Rescission of Investigation and Partial Dismissal of Petition*, 56 FR 32376, 32380-81 (July 16, 1991).

Initiation Standard for Cost Investigations

Pursuant to section 773(b) of the Act, the petitioner submitted information providing reasonable grounds to believe or suspect that sales made by Chilean producers/exporters in the comparison markets were at prices below the cost of production (COP) and, accordingly, requested that the Department initiate country-wide sales-below-COP investigations in connection with this investigation. The Statement of Administrative Action (SAA), submitted to the Congress in connection with the interpretation and application of the URAA, states that an allegation of sales below COP need not be specific to individual exporters or producers. SAA, H.R. Doc. No. 103-316 at 833 (1994). The SAA, at 833, states that "Commerce will consider allegations of below-cost sales in the aggregate for a foreign country, just as Commerce currently considers allegations of sales at less than fair value on a country-wide basis for purposes of initiating an antidumping investigation."

Further, the SAA provides that new section 773(b)(2)(A) of the Act retains the requirement that the Department have "reasonable grounds to believe or suspect" that below-cost sales have occurred before initiating such an investigation. Reasonable grounds exist when an interested party provides specific factual information on costs and prices, observed or constructed, indicating that sales in the foreign market in question are at below-cost prices. *Id.* We have analyzed the country-specific allegations as described below.

Export Price and Normal Value

The data used by the petitioner to calculate U.S. price, COP and constructed value (CV) are discussed in the June 20, 2000 *Initiation Checklist (Initiation Checklist)* available in room B-099 of the main Commerce building. Should the need arise to use any of this information as facts available under section 776 of the Act in our preliminary or final determination, we may re-examine the information and revise the margin calculations, if appropriate.

Export Price

The petitioner based export price (EP) on the unit values for the sales made during the POI, according to Chilean export data. The per-unit prices from the Chilean export statistics are stated on an FOB, Chilean-port basis. Therefore, the petitioner did not subtract any U.S. or international

movement expenses from the gross unit price. Moreover, the petitioner did not adjust EP for foreign inland freight expenses. The petitioner explained that it is not aware of any differences in such expenses between U.S. sales and the third country sales used for normal value (NV). No other deductions to the starting price were made to calculate EP.

Normal Value

Price-to-Price Comparisons

The petitioner claims that there was not a viable home market for IQF red raspberries in Chile. Therefore, the petitioner identified the largest third-country market for each of the Chilean producers used in the margin calculations.

The per-unit prices from the Chilean export statistics for each third-country market are stated on an FOB, Chilean-port basis. Therefore, the petitioner did not subtract any third-country or international movement expenses from the gross unit price. The petitioner did not adjust NV for foreign inland freight expenses or make any circumstance of sale adjustments, other than commission expenses for one exporter. The petitioner explained that it is not aware of any differences in such expenses between the third country sales used for NV and U.S. sales. For Arvalan S.A., the petitioner made a circumstance of sale adjustment to NV for commissions paid in both the U.S. and comparison markets. Also, the petitioner did not adjust for differences in packing, stating that exports to the United States and third countries are packed in the same way for the six exporters used in the petition's margin calculations.

Based on information submitted in a supplement to the petition, we also have calculated a company-specific margin for a seventh exporter. For further discussion, see the *Initiation Checklist*.

Based on price-to-price comparisons, calculated in accordance with section 773(a) of the Act, the estimated dumping margins for IQF red raspberries from Chile range from 0 to 10.32 percent.

Price-to-CV Comparisons

The petitioner also provided information demonstrating reasonable grounds to believe or suspect that sales of IQF red raspberries from Chile in the United Kingdom, Netherlands, France and Belgium were made at prices below the fully absorbed COP, within the meaning of section 773(b) of the Act, and requested that the Department conduct country-wide sales-below-cost investigations of such sales.

Pursuant to section 773(b)(3) of the Act, COP consists of COM; selling, general and administrative expenses; and packing. The petitioner calculated COP by adding the cost of the acquisition of the red raspberries to the cost of processing these berries into IQF red raspberries. The petitioner derived the cost of the berries from a 1999 Chilean government estimate of the cost of red raspberries during the 1999–2000 growing season and the ratio of processing costs to berry acquisition cost from a 1991 estimate from an agricultural periodical. To support the petitioner's contention that the 1991 estimate is representative of POI processing costs, a supplement to the petition provides COP information, including processing costs, from the seventh Chilean producer of the subject merchandise for a period substantially closer in time to the POI. Because processing costs in this supplement are substantially similar to the 1991 estimate, they support the 1991 information as a basis for calculating COP for the other six exporters, while also providing company-specific processing costs for the seventh exporter (see June 20, 2001 Memorandum from Susan Kuhbach to Richard Moreland). Accordingly, we have used this information, along with the raspberry acquisition costs for the 1999–2000 growing season, as the basis for initiating COP investigations.

Based upon a comparison of the prices of the foreign like product in the comparison markets to the calculated COP of the product, we find reasonable grounds to believe or suspect that sales of the foreign like product in the United Kingdom, Netherlands, France and Belgium were made below the COP, within the meaning of section 773(b)(2)(A)(i) of the Act. Accordingly, the Department is initiating country-wide cost investigations for the United Kingdom, Netherlands, France and Belgium. However, if information collected during the investigation indicates that any exporter's home market is viable or the appropriate comparison market is not the United Kingdom, Netherlands, France or Belgium, a new cost allegation for that exporter or country will be required.

Pursuant to sections 773(a)(4), 773(b) and 773(e) of the Act, the petitioner also based NV for sales in the comparison markets on CV. The petitioner calculated CV starting with the same COP figure used to compute comparison market costs. Consistent with section 773(e)(2) of the Act, the petitioner also included in CV an amount for profit. For profit, the petitioner relied upon a publicly-available amount reported for

the Chilean frozen red raspberry industry. For further discussion, see the *Initiation Checklist*.

Based upon the comparison of CV to EP, after adjustments by the Department, the petitioner calculated estimated dumping margins ranging from 2.73 to 61.27 percent.

Fair Value Comparisons

Based on the data provided by the petitioner, there is reason to believe that imports of IQF red raspberries are being, or are likely to be, sold at less than fair value.

Allegations and Evidence of Material Injury and Causation

The petition alleges that the U.S. industry producing the domestic like product is being materially injured, or is threatened with material injury, by reason of the imports of the subject merchandise. The petitioner contends that the industry's injured condition is evident in the declining trends in net operating income, net sales volume and value, profit to sales ratios, and capacity utilization. The allegations of injury and causation are supported by relevant evidence including U.S. Customs import data, lost sales data, and pricing information. We have assessed the allegations and supporting evidence regarding material injury and causation, and have determined that these allegations are properly supported by accurate and adequate evidence, and meet the statutory requirements for initiation (see *Initiation Checklist*).

Initiation of Antidumping Investigation

Based upon our examination of the petition on IQF red raspberries, we have found that it meets the requirements of section 732 of the Act. Therefore, we are initiating an antidumping duty investigation to determine whether imports of IQF red raspberries from Chile are being, or are likely to be, sold in the United States at less than fair value. Unless this deadline is extended, we will make our preliminary determination no later than 140 days after the date of this initiation.

Distribution of Copies of the Petition

In accordance with section 732(b)(3)(A) of the Act, a copy of the public version of the petition has been provided to the representatives of the Government of Chile. We will attempt to provide a copy of the public version of the petition to each exporter named in the petition, as appropriate.

International Trade Commission Notification

We have notified the ITC of our initiation, as required by section 732(d) of the Act.

Preliminary Determination by the ITC

The ITC will determine, no later than July 16, 2001, whether there is a reasonable indication that imports of IQF red raspberries from Chile are causing material injury, or threatening to cause material injury, to a U.S. industry. A negative ITC determination will result in the investigation being terminated; otherwise, these investigations will proceed according to statutory and regulatory time limits.

This notice is issued and published pursuant to section 777(i) of the Act.

Dated: June 20, 2001.

Faryar Shirzad,

Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[A-489-805]

Notice of Preliminary Results and Partial Rescission of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review: Certain Pasta From Turkey

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

ACTION: Notice of preliminary results and partial rescission of antidumping duty administrative review

SUMMARY: In response to a request by the petitioners and two producers/exporters of the subject merchandise, the Department of Commerce (the Department) is conducting an administrative review of the antidumping duty order on certain pasta (pasta) from Turkey for the period July 1, 1999 through June 30, 2000.

We preliminarily determine that during the POR, Filiz Gida Sanayi ve Ticaret A.S. (Filiz) and Pastavilla Makarnacilik Sanayi ve Ticaret A.S. (Pastavilla) sold subject merchandise at less than normal value (NV). If these preliminary results are adopted in the final results of this administrative review, we will instruct the U.S. Customs Service to assess antidumping duties based on the difference between the export price (EP) and NV.

Interested parties are invited to comment on these preliminary results.

Parties who submit comments in this proceeding should also submit with them: (1) A statement of the issues; (2) a brief summary of their comments; and (3) a table of authorities. Further, we would appreciate it if parties submitting written comments would provide the Department with an additional copy of the public version of any such comments on diskette.

EFFECTIVE DATE: June 28, 2001.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

James Terpstra or Lyman Armstrong, AD/CVD Enforcement, Office 6, Group II, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482-3965 or (202) 482-3601, respectively.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

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 Department regulations refer to the regulations codified at 19 CFR part 351 (2000).

Case History

On July 24, 1996, the Department published in the **Federal Register** the antidumping duty order on pasta from Turkey (61 FR 38545). On July 20, 2000, we published in the **Federal Register** the notice of "Opportunity to Request an Administrative Review" of this order, for the period July 1, 1999, through June 30, 2000 (65 FR 45035).

From July 20 to July 31, 2000, we received requests for review from Borden Foods Corporation (Borden), which is an affiliate of Borden Inc., a petitioner¹ in the case, from New World Pasta², and from individual Turkish exporters/producers of pasta, in accordance with 19 CFR 351.213(b)(2). In all, requests were made to review four Turkish companies. On September 6, 2000, we published the notice of initiation of this antidumping duty administrative review covering the

¹ The petitioners are Borden Inc., Hershey Foods Corp. (Hershey Pasta), Grocery Corp Inc., and Gooch Foods, Inc. (effective January 1, 1999, Hershey Pasta and Grocery Corp. Inc. became New World Pasta, Inc.).

² See letter from Collier Shannon Scott dated July 31, 2000, submitted on behalf of Borden and New World Pasta, on file in room B-099 of the Department's main building. On September 7, 2000, Collier Shannon Scott submitted a letter stating that its July 31, 2000 letter should have been on behalf of New World Pasta alone, because Borden had submitted its own letter.

period July 1, 1999 through June 30, 2000, for Filiz, Pastavilla, Beslen Makarna Gida Sanayi ve Ticaret A.S. and its affiliate, Beslen Pazarlarma Gida Sanayi ve Ticaret A.S. (collectively Beslen), and Maktas Makarnacilik ve Ticaret A.S. (Maktas). See Notice of Initiation, 65 FR 53980 (September 6, 2000).

On September 6, 2000, Borden withdrew its request for certain companies enumerated in its original letter. Of the four companies named in the *Initiation Notice*, we are rescinding a review of one company, Maktas, because Borden withdrew its request and there was no request from any other interested party. See Memorandum from Melissa G. Skinner to Bernard Carreau, "Partial Rescission of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review" dated June 21, 2001 (Partial Rescission Memo) and the *Partial Rescission* section below.

On September 13, 2000, we sent questionnaires to the remaining three companies for which we initiated the review: (1) Filiz; (2) Pastavilla; and (3) Beslen.

For Pastavilla and Filiz, the Department disregarded sales that failed the cost test during the most recently completed segment of the proceeding in which these companies participated. Therefore, pursuant to section 773(b)(2)(A)(ii) of the Act, we had reasonable grounds to believe or suspect that sales by these companies of the foreign like product under consideration for the determination of NV in this review were made at prices below the cost of production (COP). Therefore, we initiated cost investigations on Pastavilla and Filiz at the time we initiated the antidumping review.

On September 21, 2000, Filiz stated that it had no U.S. entries or sales during the POR prior to January 1, 2000, and therefore requested that, for purposes of reporting home market sales and cost data, the POR be shortened to the six-month period from January 1 through June 30, 2000. Accordingly, on October 5, 2000, we informed Filiz that it could limit its reporting of home market data to the period January 1 through June 30, 2000. In that letter we also advised Filiz that if it elected to limit its reporting of home market cost data to the six-month period, in the sales-below-cost investigation, it would forego the application of the "recovery of cost" test pursuant to section 773(b)(2)(D) of the Act.

Filiz and Pastavilla submitted their section A questionnaire responses on October 4, 2000, and sections B through D on November 3, 2000.

The Department issued supplemental sections A through C questionnaires to