

**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE****Census Bureau****Survey of Building and Zoning Permit Systems**

**ACTION:** Proposed 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 October 15, 2001.

**ADDRESSES:** Direct all written comments to Madeleine Clayton, Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 6086, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230 (or via the 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 G. Daniel Sansbury, Census Bureau, Room 2105, FOB 4, Washington, DC 20233-6900, (301) 457-1321 (or via the Internet at g.daniel.sansbury@census.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:****I. Abstract**

The Census Bureau produces statistics used to monitor activity in the large and dynamic construction industry. These statistics help state and local governments and the Federal Government, as well as private industry, to analyze this important sector of the economy. The accuracy of the Census Bureau statistics regarding the amount of construction authorized depends on data supplied by building and zoning officials throughout the country.

The Census Bureau uses Form C-411 to obtain information from state and local building permit officials needed for updating the universe of permit-issuing places. The questions pertain to the legal requirements for issuing building or zoning permits in the local jurisdictions. Information is obtained on such items as geographic coverage and types of construction for which permits are issued.

The universe of permit-issuing places is the sampling frame for the Building

Permits Survey (BPS) and the Survey of Construction. These two sample surveys provide widely used measures of construction activity, including the economic indicators, Housing Units Authorized by Building Permits and Housing Starts.

We plan to make the following changes to the form:

a. Delete two questions:

- (1) "What kind of permits does your office issue?" and
- (2) "When did your government first begin issuing permits?"

The first question asked for the same information as another question. We no longer need the information requested in the second question.

Add two questions:

- (1) "If the jurisdiction listed in Section A.1 is a county, does your office issue permits for portions of jurisdictions located in other counties?" and
- (2) "If the jurisdiction listed in Section A.1 is a city, town, village, borough or township, is it in more than one county?"

We plan to request information about permits issued for new residential additions and alterations of buildings.

We need the above information to ensure that we update our universe of permit-issuing places correctly for these types of places.

**II. Method of Collection**

The form is sent to a jurisdiction when the Census Bureau has reason to believe that a new permit system has been established or an existing one has changed, based on information from a variety of sources including survey respondents, regional councils and Census' Geography Division which keeps abreast of changes in corporate status. Responses typically approach 100 percent.

**III. Data**

*OMB Number:* 0607-0350.

*Form Number:* C-411.

*Type of Review:* Regular submission.

*Affected Public:* State and Local Governments.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 2,000 per year.

*Estimated Time Per Response:* 15 minutes.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 500 hours.

*Estimated Total Annual Cost:* The cost to the respondents is estimated to be \$8,255.

*Respondent's Obligation:* Voluntary.

*Legal Authority:* Title 13, United States Code, Section 182.

**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: August 10, 2001.

**Madeleine Clayton,**

*Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer,  
Office of the Chief Information Officer.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE****International Trade Administration**

[A-549-502]

**Notice of Extension of Time Limit for Final Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review: Certain Welded Carbon Steel Pipes and Tubes From Thailand**

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

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** August 15, 2001.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Commerce (the Department) is extending the time limit for the final results of the 1999-2000 antidumping duty administrative review of the antidumping order on certain welded carbon steel pipes and tubes from Thailand until no later than October 9, 2001. This review covers the period March 1, 1999, through February 29, 2000. The extension is made pursuant to section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended by the Uruguay Round Agreements Act (hereinafter, "the Act").

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Javier Barrientos, Office of AD/CVD Enforcement 7, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW.,

Washington, DC 20230, telephone (202) 482-2243.

#### 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's regulations are to the regulations codified at 19 CFR part 351 (2000).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### Background

On March 11, 1986, the Department published, in the **Federal Register**, an antidumping duty order on circular welded carbon steel pipes and tubes from Thailand (51 FR 8341). On March 16, 2000, the Department published a notice of opportunity to request an administrative review of this order covering the period March 1, 1999, through February 29, 2000 (65 FR 14242). Timely requests for an administrative review of the antidumping duty order with respect to sales by Saha Thai Steel Company, Ltd. (Saha Thai) during the POR were filed by Saha Thai; two importers, Ferro Union Inc. and ASOMA Corp.; and three domestic producers, Allied Tube and Conduit Corporation, Sawhill Tubular Division—AK Steel Inc., and Wheatland Tube Company (collectively, the petitioners). The Department published a notice of initiation of this antidumping duty administrative review on May 1, 2000 (65 FR 25303).

Because the Department determined that it was not practicable to complete this review within the statutory time limits, on November 20, 2000, we published, in the **Federal Register**, a notice of extension of the time limit for the preliminary results of this review (65 FR 69734). As a result, we extended the deadline for the preliminary results to March 31, 2001; however, because this date fell on a non-business day, the preliminary results were issued on April 2, 2001. On April 12, 2001, the preliminary results of review were published in the **Federal Register** (66 FR 18901). From June 4 through 13, 2001, the Department verified the sales and cost questionnaire responses of Saha Thai in Thailand.

##### Extension of Time Limits for Final Results

Under section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act, the Department may extend the deadline for completion of an administrative review if it determines

that it is not practicable to complete the review within the statutory time limit of 365 days. In the instant case, the Department has determined that it is not practicable to complete the review within the statutory time limit due to the need for analysis of certain complex issues, including the date of sale.

Because it is not practicable to complete this review within the time limits mandated by the Act (245 days from the last day of the anniversary month for preliminary results, 120 additional days for final results), in accordance with section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act, the Department is extending the time limit for the final results an additional 60 days to no later than October 9, 2001.

This notice is issued and published in accordance with section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act and section 351.213(h)(2) of the Department's regulations.

Dated: August 7, 2001.

**Joseph A. Spetrini,**

*Deputy Assistant Secretary, AD/CVD Enforcement Group III.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### International Trade Administration

[A-201-828]

#### Notice of Preliminary Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value: Welded Large Diameter Line Pipe From Mexico

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

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** August 15, 2001.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mesbah Motamed or Rick Johnson, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482-1382 (Motamed) and (202) 482-3818 (Johnson).

#### 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 ("Department") regulations are to the regulations at 19 CFR part 351 (April 2000).

#### Preliminary Determination

We preliminarily determine that welded large diameter line pipe ("LDLP") from Mexico is being sold, or is likely to be sold, in the United States at less than fair value ("LTFV"), as provided in section 733(b) of the Act. The estimated margins of sales at LTFV are shown in the "Suspension of Liquidation" section of this notice.

#### Case History

On January 10, 2001, the Department received a petition on LDLP from Mexico in proper form by American Steel Pipe Division of American Cast Iron Pipe Company, Berg Steel Pipe Corporation, and Stupp Corporation (collectively "petitioners"). The Department received information from the petitioners supplementing the petition on January 22, January 24, January 26, and January 29, 2001.

On January 30, 2001, the Department initiated an antidumping investigation of LDLP from Mexico. *See Notice of Initiation of Antidumping Duty Investigations: Welded Large Diameter Line Pipe from Mexico and Japan*, 66 FR 11266 (February 23, 2001) ("Notice of Initiation"). Since the initiation of this investigation the following events have occurred.

The Department set aside a period for all interested parties to raise issues regarding product coverage. *See Notice of Initiation* at 11267. On February 20, 2001 an interested party, Tubesa, S.A. de C.V., submitted comments on product scope. *See Memorandum from John Drury to Joseph Spetrini: Antidumping Duty Investigations on Certain Welded LDLP Japan and Mexico; Scope Issues*, dated June 19, 2001. On July 18, 2001, the Department received comments from petitioners requesting the exclusion of certain products from the scope. *See Memorandum from Mesbah Motamed to Joseph Spetrini: Antidumping Duty Investigations on Certain Welded LDLP Japan and Mexico; Scope Issues*, dated August 8, 2001.

In response to comments by interested parties the Department has determined that certain welded large diameter line pipe products are excluded from the scope of this investigation. These excluded products are described below (*see* "Scope of Investigation"). *See also Memorandum from Richard Weible and Edward Yang to Joseph Spetrini, Scope Issues for Welded Large Diameter Line Pipe*, June 19, 2001.

On February 26, 2001, the United States International Trade Commission ("ITC") informed the Department of its preliminary determination that there is