DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
International Trade Administration
[A–122–838]
Notice of Postponement of Preliminary Antidumping Duty Determination: Certain Softwood Lumber Products From Canada

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


FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Charles Riggle or Gabriel Adler, Office 5, Group II, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20230; telephone (202) 482–0650, or (202) 482–3813, respectively.

POSTPONEMENT OF PRELIMINARY DETERMINATION: The Department of Commerce (the Department) is postponing the deadline for issuance of the preliminary determination in the antidumping duty investigation of certain softwood lumber products from Canada until October 15, 2001.

On April 23, 2001, the Department initiated an antidumping investigation of certain softwood lumber products from Canada. See Initiation of Antidumping Duty Investigation: Certain Softwood Lumber Products From Canada, 66 FR 21328 (April 30, 2001). The notice stated that the Department would issue its preliminary determination no later than 140 days after the date of initiation (i.e., September 10, 2001). At the request of the petitioner,1 on July 30, 2001, the Department postponed the date of preliminary determination by two weeks, until September 24, 2001.

In accordance with Section 733(c)(1)(A) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, (the Act), on August 23, 2001, the petitioner filed a request that the Department further postpone the preliminary determination in this investigation by three weeks. The petitioner’s request for postponement was timely, and the Department finds no compelling reason to deny the request. Therefore, in accordance with section 733(c)(1) of the Act, the Department is postponing the deadline for issuing this preliminary determination until October 15, 2001.

This postponement is in accordance with section 733(c) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.205(b)(2).


Bernard T. Carreau,
Acting Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
International Trade Administration
Antidumping Duty Orders: Steel Concrete Reinforcing Bars From Belarus, Indonesia, Latvia, Moldova, People’s Republic of China, Poland, Republic of Korea and Ukraine

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

ACTION: Notice of antidumping duty orders.


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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Scope of Orders
For purposes of these orders, the product covered is all steel concrete reinforcing bars (rebar) sold in straight lengths, currently classifiable in the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS) under item number 7214.20.00 or any other tariff item number. Specifically excluded are plain rounds (i.e., non-deformed or smooth bars) and rebar that has been further processed through bending or coating. HTSUS subheadings are provided for convenience and Customs purposes. The written description of the scope of this proceeding is dispersive.

Antidumping Duty Orders
In accordance with section 735(a) of the Act, the Department made its final determinations that rebar from Belarus, Indonesia, Latvia, Moldova, People’s Republic of China (PRC), Poland, Republic of Korea (Korea) and Ukraine is being sold at less-than-fair-value (LTVF) (66 FR 18752; 66 FR 33522, 33531). On May 25, 2001, the U.S. International Trade Commission (the ITC) notified the Department of its final determination, pursuant to section 735(b)(1)(A)(i) of the Act, that a regional industry in the United States is materially injured by reason of less than fair value (LTVF) imports of subject merchandise from Indonesia, Poland, and Ukraine. On July 23, 2001, the ITC notified the Department of its final determination, pursuant to section 735(b)(1)(A)(i) of the Act, that a regional industry in the United States is materially injured by reason of LTFV imports of subject merchandise from Belarus, Korea, Latvia, and Moldova, and that a regional industry in the United States is threatened with material injury by reason of LTFV imports of subject merchandise from the PRC.

In addition, the ITC notified the Department of its final determination that critical circumstances do not exist with respect to imports of subject merchandise from all producers and exporters in Poland, the PRC, Korea and Ukraine. Therefore, we will instruct Customs to lift suspension and to release any bond or other security, and refund any cash deposit made, to secure the payment of antidumping duties with respect to entries of the merchandise entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption prior to the date of publication of the Preliminary Determinations in the Federal Register (66 FR 8339, 66 FR 8343, 66 FR 8348).

In accordance with section 736(a)(1) of the Act, the Department will direct Customs officers to assess, upon further

1 Coalition for Fair Lumber Imports Executive Committee.
advice by the Department, antidumping duties equal to the amount by which the normal value of the merchandise exceeds the U.S. price of the merchandise for all relevant entries of rebar from Belarus, Indonesia, Latvia, Moldova, the PRC, Poland, Korea and Ukraine. These antidumping duties will be assessed on all unliquidated entries of rebar from Belarus, Indonesia, Latvia, Moldova, Poland, Korea and Ukraine entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after January 30, 2001, the date on which the Department published its notice of preliminary determinations for those countries in the Federal Register (66 FR 8323, 66 FR 8329, 66 FR 8333, 66 FR 8339, 66 FR 8343, 66 FR 8348). Pursuant to 736(b)(2) of the Act, the effective date of assessment of antidumping duties on all unliquidated entries of rebar from the PRC will be July 30, 2001, which is the date of the publication of the ITC’s final injury determination with respect to the PRC. Therefore, we will instruct Customs officers to require, at the time of entry, or withdrawal from warehouse, or for consumption, the payment of antidumping duties with respect to entries of the merchandise entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption before that date. Customs officers must require, at the same time as importers would normally deposit estimated duties on this merchandise, a cash deposit equal to the estimated weighted-average antidumping duty margins as noted below. The “All Others” rates apply to all exporters in Indonesia, Latvia, Poland and Korea of subject rebar not specifically listed. The weighted-average dumping margins are as follows:

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This notice constitutes the antidumping duty orders with respect to rebar from Belarus, Indonesia, Latvia, Moldova, the PRC, Poland, Korea and Ukraine. Interested parties may contact the Department’s Central Records Unit, room B-099 of the main Commerce building, for copies of an updated list of antidumping duty orders currently in effect.

These orders are published in accordance with section 735(a) of the Act of 1930, as amended.


Bernard T. Carreau,
Acting Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
International Trade Administration

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Notice of Rescission of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review: Structural Steel Beams From Japan

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

ACTION: Notice of rescission of the antidumping duty administrative review of structural steel beams from Japan.

SUMMARY: On July 23, 2001, the Department of Commerce (“Department”) published a notice of initiation of an antidumping duty administrative review on structural steel beams from Japan. This review covers six manufacturers/exporters of the subject merchandise. The period of review (“POR”) is February 11, 2000 through May 31, 2001. This review has now been rescinded as a result of a withdrawal of the request for administrative review by the interested parties.


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Applicable Statute

Unless otherwise indicated, all citations to the Tariff Act of 1930 (“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 (“URAA”). In addition, unless otherwise indicated, all citations to the Department’s regulations are to the regulations at 19 CFR part 351 (2001).

Background


Rescission of Review

Petitioners timely withdrew their request for review on July 23, 2001. There were no other requests for administrative review from an interested party. As a result, in accordance with section 351.223(d)(1) of the Department’s regulations, the Department is rescinding this administrative review.

This notice serves as a reminder to parties subject to administrative protective order (“APO”) of their responsibility concerning the disposition of proprietary information.