

pig iron, the Department, in a second remand, revised the tariff categories used in its first remand, to rely only upon the Indian tariff category for non-alloy pig iron containing less than 0.5 percent phosphorus. *Sigma Corp. v. United States*, 888 F. Supp. 159, 161 (CIT 1995). This issue was not further appealed.

(2) The Department recalculated its valuation of inland freight on inputs sourced domestically in China for which it had used CIF import prices in a surrogate country to value the inputs themselves. The Department used the methodology described at point (4), above, with respect to the 1987–88 and 1988–89 reviews. *Sigma Corp. v. United States*, 86 F. Supp. 2d 1344, 1348 (CIT 2000).

(3) The Department recalculated the surrogate valuation of overhead for Guangdong's foundries in this review. Based on the sizes of the foundries in question, it calculated an overhead rate for Guangdong's medium-size foundries and a rate for its small foundry. These

rates were upheld in *Id.*, 86 F. Supp. 2d at 1349.

#### PRC-wide Rate for 1989–90

Because the PRC-wide rate for the 1989–90 review period was based on Guangdong's calculated rate for that period, plaintiff importers also challenged the PRC-wide rate after Guangdong's original rate of 92.74 percent for 1989–90 was reduced in the course of the litigation. In *Sigma Corp. v. United States*, 117 F.3d 1401, 1411 (Fed. Cir. 1997), the Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit held that, by challenging Guangdong's rate, the importers did so not only as to Guangdong's exports, but also as to the exports made by the PRC-wide entity, to which that margin had been assigned. Thus, the Court of Appeals reversed the Department's reliance on the 92.74 percent BIA rate for the PRC-entity, and remanded for selection of a rate that had not been judicially invalidated. *Id.* In its amended remand of January 30, 1998, the Department selected, as BIA for the

PRC-wide entity (which in this review encompasses all exporters other than Guangdong and MACHIMPEX Liaoning), a rate of 28.77 percent, the rate calculated for the PRC-wide entity in that remand for the 1988–1989 period, and the highest margin not judicially invalidated at the time of that remand. This choice of a 1989–90 BIA rate for the PRC-wide entity was upheld in *Sigma Corp. v. United States*, 86 F.2d 1344, 1353 (CIT 2000), and was not further appealed.

On February 10, 2000, the CIT upheld the Department's final redetermination on remand with respect to these reviews. *Sigma Corp. v. United States*, 86 F. Supp. 2d 1344 (CIT 2000). This decision was not appealed. There is now a final and conclusive court decision in this action. Thus, we are amending our final results of these reviews. The rates for these amended final results, which are the rates upheld by the CIT on remand, are:

Period of Review	Manufacturer/exporter	Margin (percent)
5/1/1987–4/30/1988 .....	PRC-wide Rate*	12.50
5/1/1988–4/30/1989 .....	PRC-wide Rate*	28.77
5/1/1989–4/30/1990 .....	Guangdong Metals & Minerals Import & Export Corporation	22.50
5/1/1989–4/30/1990 .....	PRC-wide rate*	28.77

\* As explained above, the Court of International Trade determined that China National Machinery Import and Export Corporation (MACHIMPEX Liaoning) is not within the scope of review for 1987–1988, 1988–1989, and 1989–1990. Duties for Overseas Trade Corporation (Overseas) imports from MACHIMPEX Liaoning are to be assessed at the 11.66 percent deposit rate that Overseas paid upon importation, rather than at the PRC-wide rate.

Accordingly, the Department will determine, and the United States Customs Service will assess, antidumping duties on all entries of subject merchandise in accordance with these amended final results. Individual differences between United States price and foreign market value may vary from the percentages stated above. The Department will issue appraisement instructions directly to Customs. The above rates will not affect the cash deposit rates currently in effect, which continue to be based on the margins found to exist in the most recently completed reviews for the relevant companies.

This notice is published in accordance with §751(a)(1) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (19 U.S.C. 1675(a)(1)) and 19 CFR 351.221.

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**Faryar Shirzad,**

Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### International Trade Administration

[A-570-502]

#### Certain Iron Construction Castings from the People's Republic of China; Amended Final Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review in Accordance with Court Decision

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

**ACTION:** Notice of Amended Final Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review in accordance with Court Decision.

**SUMMARY:** On September 10, 1999, the Court of International Trade affirmed the remand determination of the Department of Commerce (the Department) arising from the 1990–1991 administrative review of the antidumping duty order on certain iron construction castings from the People's Republic of China (PRC). See *D & L*

*Supply Co. v. United States*, 6 F. Supp. 2d 914 (CIT 1998), *aff'd* *Guangdong Metals & Minerals Import & Export Corporation v. United States*, 217 F. Supp. 3d 851 (Fed. Cir. 1999) (unpublished opinion). As there is now a final and conclusive court decision in this segment, we will instruct the U.S. Customs Service to liquidate entries subject to these amended final results.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** September 9, 2002

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Christian Hughes, Doug Campau or Maureen Flannery, Antidumping/Countervailing Duty Enforcement, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington D.C. 20230; telephone (202) 482-0648, (202) 482-1395, and (202) 482-3020, respectively.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### Scope of Antidumping Duty Order

This order covers certain iron construction castings, limited to manhole covers, rings and frames, catch

basins, grates and frames, cleanout covers and frames used for drainage or access purposes for public utility, water and sanitary systems, and to valve, service and meter boxes which are placed below ground to encase water, gas or other valves, or water or gas meters. The articles must be of cast iron, not alloyed, and not malleable. Until January 1, 1989, iron construction castings were classified under items 657.0950 and 657.0990 of the Tariff Schedules of the United States Annotated (TSUSA). This merchandise is currently classified under Harmonized Tariff System (HTS) items 7325.10.00.00 and 7325.10.00.50. The HTS and TSUSA item numbers are provided for convenience and Customs purposes. The written description remains dispositive of the scope of the order.

## Background

On May 9, 1986, the Department issued an antidumping duty order on iron construction castings from the PRC. *See Antidumping Duty Order: Iron Construction Castings from the People's Republic of China*, 51 FR 17222 (May 9, 1986) (Antidumping Duty Order). On June 8, 1992, the Department published its final results of the fourth administrative review of iron construction castings, covering the 1990–1991 review period. *See Certain Iron Construction Castings from the People's Republic of China; Final Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review*, 57 FR 24245 (June 8, 1992) (Final Results).

No PRC producer or exporter responded to the Department's questionnaires in this review. The Department based its determination entirely on the best information available (BIA), pursuant to 19 U.S.C. 1677e(c) (1988). This BIA rate was assigned both as a separate rate for Guangdong Metals and Minerals Import and Export Corporation (Guangdong), which had previously been granted a separate rate, and as the PRC-wide rate applied to all other producers and exporters of the subject merchandise for the 1990–1991 review period. *See Final Results*.

In accordance with its practice, for BIA the Department selected 92.74 percent, the rate calculated during the third administrative review (1989–90) for Guangdong, and the highest

calculated rate available for any company from the investigation of sales at less than fair value or any previous review. *See Iron Construction Castings from the People's Republic of China; Final Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Reviews*, 57 FR 10644 (March 27, 1992). The Department's Final Results were appealed on two grounds that are relevant to these amended final results.

First, importer Overseas Trade Corporation (Overseas) argued that its supplier, China National Machinery Import and Export Corporation (MACHIMPEX Liaoning), had no notice that it was subject to the review, and that its MACHIMPEX Liaoning entries should be assessed at the 11.66 percent deposit rate that it had paid upon importation. The Court of International Trade agreed that under the circumstances of this case, MACHIMPEX Liaoning could not be deemed within the scope of the review, and remanded for the Department to assess duties against MACHIMPEX Liaoning at the 11.66 percent deposit rate Overseas had paid upon importation. *D & L Supply Co. v. United States*, 841 F. Supp. 1312, 1316 (CIT 1993). This issue was not further appealed. The Department is amending its *Final Results* to provide that Overseas' MACHIMPEX Liaoning entries for the 1990–91 review period will be liquidated at the 11.66 percent deposit rate.

Second, exporter Guangdong and a group of importers including D & L Supply Company argued that the Department erred in using the 1989–90 rate for Guangdong as a BIA rate for the 1990–91 entries, because at the time of the *Final Results*, this rate was subject to judicial review. By the time the Court of International Trade issued its first decision on the 1990–91 Final Results, the 92.74 percent rate for Guangdong in the 1989–90 review had been overturned in *Sigma Corp. v. United States*, 841 F. Supp. 1275 (CIT 1993). *See D & L Supply Co. v. United States*, 841 F. Supp. 1312, 1314 (CIT 1993). Because litigation in the 1990–91 review was not yet final, the Court also ordered the Department to reevaluate whether its choice of BIA for Guangdong and the PRC-wide entity in the 1990–91 review continued to be appropriate. *Id.* at 1317. On remand, the Department determined that, because the 92.74 rate was a valid one when it was originally selected as

BIA for the 1990–91 review, it was appropriate to continue to rely upon that rate. The Court of International Trade upheld that determination. *D & L Supply Co. v. United States*, 888 F. Supp. 1191 (CIT 1995).

On May 8, 1997, however, the Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit (CAFC) reversed this decision, holding that the Department must revise its BIA selection for the 1990–1991 review in favor of a rate which had not been invalidated at the time the BIA redetermination was issued. *D & L Supply Co. v. United States*, 113 F. 3d 1220 (Fed. Cir. 1997) (*D & L Supply*). On July 8, 1997, in accordance with the decision of the Court of Appeals in *D&L Supply*, the Court of International Trade issued an order remanding the final results of the 1990–1991 review to the Department for selection of new BIA rates for Guangdong and the PRC-wide entity.

On October 8, 1997, the Department released its *Final Results of Redetermination Pursuant to Court Remand*, *D & L Supply Co. v. United States*. Consol. Ct. No. 92-06-00424 (Remand Results) (October 8, 1997). Therein, the Department assigned to Guangdong and the PRC-wide entity the 25.52 percent petition rate, which reflected the overall average of the margins alleged in the petition, as BIA for the 1990–91 review period. *See D & L Supply Co. v. United States*, 6 F. Supp. 2d 914 (CIT 1998) (affirming the Department's *Remand Results* and rejecting the theory that publication of a different investigation rate "invalidates" petition rates). *D & L Supply Co.*, *U.V. International*, *Sigma Corporation*, *Southern Star, Inc.*, *City Pipe & Foundry, Inc.*, and *Long Beach Iron Works, Inc.* (collectively, D & L) appealed that judgment. On September 10, 1999, the CAFC affirmed the lower Court's decision. *Guangdong Metals & Minerals Import and Export Corp. v. United States*, 217 F.3d 851 (Fed. Cir. 1999).

There is now a final and conclusive court decision in this action. We are amending our *Final Results* for the period May 1, 1990 through April 30, 1991. The rates for these amended final results, which are the rates upheld by the Court of International Trade and the CAFC upon remand, are:

Period of Review	Manufacturer/exporter	Margin(percent)
5/1/1990–4/30/1991 .....	Guangdong Metals & Minerals Import & Export Corporation	25.52

Period of Review	Manufacturer/exporter	Margin(percent)
5/1/1990–4/30/1991 .....	PRC-wide rate*	25.52

\* As explained above, the Court of International Trade determined that China National Machinery Import and Export Corporation (MACHIMPEX Liaoning) is not within the scope of review for the 1990–91 period of review. Duties for Overseas Trade Corporation (Overseas) imports from MACHIMPEX Liaoning are to be assessed at the 11.66 percent deposit rate that Overseas paid upon importation, rather than at the PRC-wide rate.

Accordingly, the Department will determine, and the Customs Service will assess, antidumping duties on all entries of subject merchandise in accordance with these amended final results. The Department will issue appraisement instructions directly to Customs. Because the 1990–91 review is the most recent proceeding in which exports by Guangdong have been reviewed, upon publication of these amended final results of review, a cash deposit rate of 25.52 percent for exports by Guangdong will be effective for all shipments of subject merchandise entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after the publication date, as provided by §751(a) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Tariff Act). These results do not affect the PRC-wide cash deposit rate currently in effect (which also applies to MACHIMPEX Liaoning), which continues to be based on the margins found to exist in the most recently completed review. (See *Iron Construction Castings from the People's Republic of China; Final Results of Antidumping Administrative Review*, 60 FR 51454 (October 2, 1995).)

This notice is published in accordance with §751(a)(1) of the Tariff Act (19 U.S.C. 1675(a)(1)) and 19 CFR 351.221.

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**Faryar Shirzad,**  
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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### International Trade Administration

[A-357-810]

### Notice of Preliminary Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review; Oil Country Tubular Goods From Argentina

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

**ACTION:** Notice of preliminary results of antidumping duty administrative review.

**SUMMARY:** In response to a request from petitioners North Star Steel Ohio, a

division of North Star Steel Company, and United States Steel LLC (currently known as United States Steel Corporation), the Department of Commerce (the Department) is conducting an administrative review of the antidumping duty order on oil country tubular goods from Argentina. This administrative review covers imports of subject merchandise from Siderca S.A.I.C. (Siderca) and Acindar Industria Argentina de Aceros S.A. (Acindar). The period of review is August 1, 2000, through July 31, 2001.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** September 9, 2002.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Fred Baker, Mike Heaney, or Robert James, AD/CVD Enforcement, Group III, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230, telephone: (202) 482-2924, (202) 482-4475, or (202) 482-0649, respectively.

### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

#### Applicable Statute and Regulations

Unless otherwise indicated, all citations to the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Tariff Act) are references to the provisions effective January 1, 1995, the effective date of the amendments made to the Tariff Act by the Uruguay Round Agreements Act (URAA). In addition, unless otherwise indicated, all citations to the Department's regulations are to 19 CFR Part 351 (April 1, 2001).

#### Background

On August 11, 1995, the Department published the antidumping duty order on oil country tubular goods from Argentina. See *Antidumping Duty Order: Oil Country Tubular Goods from Argentina*, 60 FR 41055 (August 11, 1995). On August 31, 2001, North Star Steel Ohio, a division of North Star Steel Company, requested that the Department conduct an administrative review of sales of the subject merchandise made by Siderca. Also on August 31, 2001, United States Steel LLC, requested that the Department conduct an administrative review of sales of the subject merchandise made by Acindar. (United States Steel LLC changed its name to United States Steel Corporation effective January 1, 2002.

See petitioner's submission of January 4, 2002.)

On October 1, 2001, the Department initiated the administrative review. See *Initiation of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Administrative Reviews and Requests for Revocation in Part*, 66 FR 49924 (October 1, 2001).

On October 25, 2001, the Department issued its antidumping duty questionnaire to Acindar and Siderca. Because Acindar's home market was not viable, and because Acindar had no sales to any third-country markets, the Department did not require that Acindar respond to section B of the questionnaire, but did require that it respond to D of the questionnaire. See memoranda to the file dated November 20, 2001 and December 10, 2001. On November 16, 2001, the Department received Acindar's Section A response to the questionnaire. On December 13, 2001, the Department received Acindar's Sections C and D responses. On January 28, 2002, the Department issued a supplemental questionnaire for sections A, C, and D of the questionnaire. Acindar submitted its supplemental responses on February 28, 2002. The Department verified Acindar's sales and cost responses from July 9 through July 13, 2002. The results of the verification are found in the verification report dated August 27, 2002, on file in the Central Records Unit of the Department of Commerce.

In response to the Department's October 25, 2001, questionnaire, Siderca stated in a November 6, 2001, submission that it had no consumption entries of subject merchandise during the period of review (POR). Siderca submitted information on its temporary import bond entries on December 19, 2001. In addition, on February 20, 2002, Siderca submitted a written response to the Department's questions regarding specific entries that appeared on a Customs entries list. We will continue to seek confirmation of Siderca's claim that it had no entries of subject merchandise during the POR, and will put the results of our research in a memorandum which we will place on the record of this review in the Central Records Unit of the Department of Commerce.

The margin for Siderca indicated below under "Preliminary Results of