

a new shipper review on January 31, 2003.

Rescission of New Shipper Review

The Department's regulations at 19 CFR 351.214(f)(1) provide that the Department will rescind a new shipper review if the party that requested the review withdraws its request for review within 60 days of the date of publication of the notice of initiation of the requested review. La Pointe & Roy withdrew its request within the 60-day period. Accordingly, we are rescinding this review.

Notification

Bonding is no longer permitted to fulfill security requirements for shipments of certain softwood lumber products from Canada produced and exported by La Pointe & Roy, entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption in the United States on or after the publication of this rescission notice in the **Federal Register**.

This notice also serves as the only 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 the return/destruction of APO material or conversion to judicial protective order is hereby requested. Failure to comply with the regulations and terms of an APO is a violation which is subject to sanctions.

This notice is issued and published in accordance with sections 751(a)(2)(B)(iv) and 777(i) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.214(f)(3).

Dated: February 19, 2003.

Faryar Shirzad,

Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[A-822-805]

Notice of Final Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value: Urea Ammonium Nitrate Solutions from Belarus

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

ACTION: Notice of Final Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value.

EFFECTIVE DATE: February 27, 2003.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Tom Martin or Tom Futtner, AD/CVD Enforcement, Office 4, Group II, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482-3936, and (202) 482-3814, respectively.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Final Determination

We determine that urea ammonium nitrate solutions (UANS) from Belarus are being sold, or are likely to be sold, in the United States at less than fair value (LTFV), as provided in section 735 of the Act. The estimated margins of sales at LTFV are shown in the *Final Determination of Investigation* section of this notice.

Case History

On October 3, 2002, the Department of Commerce (the Department) published the preliminary determination of sales at LTFV in the antidumping duty investigation of UANS from Belarus. See *Notice of Preliminary Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value: Urea Ammonium Nitrate Solutions From Belarus*, 67 FR 62015 (October 3, 2002) (*Preliminary Determination*). Since the preliminary determination, the following events have occurred.

On November 7, 2002, the Department published a postponement of the final determination of sales at LTFV in the antidumping duty investigation of UANS from Belarus. See *Postponement of the Final Determinations in the Less-Than-Fair-Value Investigations of Urea Ammonium Nitrate Solutions From Belarus, the Russian Federation, and Ukraine*, 67 FR 67823 (November 7, 2002).

During November 2002, the Department conducted a verification of Grodno Production Republican Enterprise's (Grodno) sales and factors of production (FOP) information. See Memorandum from Tom Martin, Import Compliance Specialist, through Tom Futtner, Program Manager, to The File, "Verification of Sales and Factors of Production Information Reported by Grodno Production Republican Enterprise," dated December 20, 2002 (Verification Report). Both the petitioner and Grodno filed surrogate value information and data on November 26, 2002.¹

On November 1, 2002, the petitioner requested a hearing pursuant to 19 CFR

¹ The petitioner in this investigation is the Nitrogen Solutions Fair Trade Committee. Its members consist of CF Industries, Inc., Mississippi Chemical Corporation, and Terra Industries, Inc.

351.301(e). However, no hearing was held in this investigation because the petitioner withdrew its request for a hearing.

In a memorandum filed on December 23, 2002, we altered the time limit for submitting case briefs pursuant to 351.309(c)(1)(i) of the Department's regulations. We received a case brief from the petitioner on January 7, 2003. On January 14, 2003, the respondent, through the Embassy of the Republic of Belarus, requested, and the Department granted, an extension for Grodno to submit comments. The respondent provided comments on January 17, 2003.

Scope of the Investigation

For purposes of this investigation, the product covered is all mixtures of urea and ammonium nitrate in aqueous or ammoniacal solution, regardless of nitrogen content by weight, and regardless of the presence of additives, such as corrosion inhibitors. The merchandise subject to this investigation is classified in the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS) under item number 3102.80.00.00. Although the HTSUS item number is provided for convenience and customs purposes, the written description of the merchandise under investigation is dispositive.

Period of Investigation

The period of investigation (POI) is October 1, 2001, through March 31, 2002.

Analysis of Comments Received

All issues raised in the comments by parties to this proceeding and to which we have responded are listed in the Appendix to this notice and addressed in the Memorandum from Bernard T. Carreau, Deputy Assistant Secretary, to Faryar Shirzad, Assistant Secretary, "Issues and Decision Memorandum for the Final Determination in the Antidumping Duty Investigation of Urea Ammonium Nitrate Solutions from Belarus C October 1, 2001, through March 31, 2002," dated concurrently with this notice (*Decision Memorandum*), which is hereby adopted by this notice. Parties can find a complete discussion of the issues raised in this investigation and the corresponding recommendations in this public memorandum which is on file in the Central Records Unit (CRU), room B-099 of the main Department building. In addition, a complete version of the *Decision Memorandum* can be accessed directly on the Web at <http://ia.ita.doc.gov>. The paper copy and

electronic version of the *Decision Memorandum* are identical in content.

Non-Market Economy

The Department has treated Belarus as a nonmarket economy (NME) country in all previous antidumping investigations. See *Notice of Final Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value: Steel Concrete Reinforcing Bars From Belarus*, 66 FR 33528 (June 22, 2001). In accordance with section 771(18)(C)(i) of the Act, any determination that a foreign country is an NME country shall remain in effect until revoked. Therefore, pursuant to section 771(18)(C)(i) of the Act, the Department has continued to treat Belarus as an NME country for the purposes of this investigation.

Separate Rates

In our Preliminary Determination, we found that the only responding company, Grodno, met the criteria for the application of separate, company-specific antidumping duty rates. We have not received any other information since the preliminary determination which would warrant reconsideration of our separate rates determination with respect to this company. For a complete discussion of the Department's determination that the respondent is entitled to a separate rate, see the *Preliminary Determination*. We have also addressed an allegation made by the petitioner in the *Decision Memorandum* at Comment 4.

The Belarus-Wide Rate

In all NME cases, the Department makes a rebuttable presumption that all exporters or producers located in the NME country comprise a single exporter under common government control, "the NME entity." The Department assigns a single NME rate to the NME entity unless an exporter can demonstrate eligibility for a separate rate.

In the *Preliminary Determination*, Grodno qualified for a separate rate. Furthermore, information on the record of this investigation indicates that Grodno accounted for all imports of subject merchandise during the POI. Since Grodno is the only known Belarusian exporter of UANS to the United States during the POI, we have calculated a Belarus-wide rate for this investigation based on the weighted-average margin determined for Grodno.

Surrogate Country

When the Department is investigating imports from an NME country, section 773(c)(1) of the Act directs the Department to base normal value (NV) on the NME producer's FOP, valued in a comparable market economy that is a significant producer of comparable merchandise. For purposes of the final determination, we continue to find that South Africa remains the appropriate surrogate country for Belarus. We received comments from the respondent pertaining to our selection of South Africa, which are discussed in the accompanying *Decision Memorandum* at Comment 1.

Verification

As provided in section 782(i) of the Act, we verified the information submitted by the respondent for use in our final determination. We used standard verification procedures including examination of relevant accounting and production records, and original source documents provided by the respondents. For changes from the Preliminary Determination as a result of verification, see the *Changes Since the Preliminary Determination* section below.

Changes Since the Preliminary Determination

Based on our findings at verification and on our analysis of the comments

received, we have made adjustments to the calculation methodologies. We are valuing the river water FOP and the steam FOPs separately from surrogate overhead value, and we are applying truck freight rather than rail freight to three FOPs. These adjustments are discussed in detail in the (1) *Decision Memorandum*, (2) *Memorandum from the Team to the File*, "Additional Surrogate Country Values Used for the Final Determination of the Antidumping Duty Investigation of Urea Ammonium Nitrate Solutions from Belarus," dated February 18, 2003, and (3) *Memorandum from the Team to the File*, "Calculation Memorandum for the Final Determination," dated February 18, 2003.

Continuation of Suspension of Liquidation

In accordance with section 735(c)(1)(B)(ii) of the Act, we are directing the U.S. Customs Service (Customs) to continue suspension of liquidation of entries of subject merchandise from Belarus that are entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after October 3, 2002 (the date of publication of the *Preliminary Determination* in the **Federal Register**). We will instruct the Customs Service to require a cash deposit or the posting of a bond equal to the weighted-average amount by which the NV exceeds the U.S. price, as indicated in the chart below. These suspension-of-liquidation instructions will remain in effect until further notice.

Final Determination of Investigation

We determine that the following weighted-average percentage margins exist for the period October 1, 2001, through March 31, 2002:

Manufacturer/exporter	Weighted-Average Margin (percent)
Grodno Production Republican Enterprise	226.82
Belarus-Wide Rate	226.82

The Belarus-wide rate applies to all entries of the subject merchandise except for entries from Grodno.

U.S. International Trade Commission Notification

In accordance with section 735(d) of the Act, we have notified the U.S. International Trade Commission (ITC) of our determination. As our final determination is affirmative, the ITC

will determine, within 45 days, whether these imports are materially injuring, or threaten material injury to, the U.S. industry. If the ITC determines that material injury, or threat of material injury does not exist, the proceeding will be terminated and all securities posted will be refunded or canceled. If the ITC determines that such injury does exist, the Department will issue an antidumping duty order directing

Customs officials to assess antidumping duties on all imports of subject merchandise entered for consumption on or after the effective date of the suspension of liquidation.

Notification Regarding Administrative Protective Order (APO)

This notice also serves as a reminder to parties subject to APO of their responsibility concerning the

disposition of proprietary information disclosed under APO in accordance with 19 CFR 351.305. Timely 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.

This determination is issued and published in accordance with sections 735(d) and 777(i)(1) of the Act.

Dated: February 19, 2003.

Faryar Shirzad,

Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

Appendix--Issues in Decision Memorandum

1. Whether Lithuania Should Be Used as a Surrogate Country
2. Whether Catalysts Should Be Valued Separately
3. Whether Water and Water-based Inputs (Steam and Raw Condensate) Should Be Valued Separately
4. Whether Grodno Should Be Issued a Separate Rate

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

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Notice of Final Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value: Urea Ammonium Nitrate Solutions from Ukraine

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

EFFECTIVE DATE: February 27, 2003.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Crystal Scherr Crittenden at (202) 482-0989, or Tom Futtner at (202) 482-3814, Office of AD/CVD Enforcement IV, Group II, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Final Determination

We determine that urea ammonium nitrate solutions (UANS) from Ukraine are being, or are likely to be, sold in the United States at less than fair value (LFTV), as provided in section 735 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act). The estimated margins are shown in the "Suspension of Liquidation" section of this notice.

Case History

On October 3, 2002, the Department published its preliminary determination in the above-captioned antidumping duty investigation. *See Notice of Preliminary Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value: Urea Ammonium Nitrate Solutions from Ukraine*, 67 FR 62013 (October 3, 2002) (*Preliminary Determination*). *See also Notice of Initiation of Antidumping Duty Investigations: Urea Ammonium Nitrate Solutions from Belarus, Lithuania, the Russian Federation, and Ukraine*, 67 FR 35492 (May 20, 2002) (*Initiation Notice*).

Since the preliminary determination, the following events have occurred. On November 1, 2002, the petitioner¹ requested a hearing pursuant to 19 CFR 351.301(e). However, no hearing was held in this investigation because the petitioner withdrew its request for a hearing. On November 27, 2002, the Department postponed the final determination for this investigation in accordance with 19 CFR 351.210(b). *See Postponement of the Final Determinations in the Less-Than-Fair-Value Investigations of Urea Ammonium Nitrate Solutions From Belarus, the Russian Federation, and Ukraine*, 67 FR 67823 (November 7, 2002). On December 23, 2002, the Department issued the schedule for interested parties to comment on the preliminary determination. *See Memo to the File from Paige Rivas, Thomas Martin and Crystal Crittenden dated December 23, 2002.* No case or rebuttal briefs were submitted.

Scope of Investigation

For purposes of these investigations, the product covered is all mixtures of urea and ammonium nitrate in aqueous or ammoniacal solution, regardless of nitrogen content by weight, and regardless of the presence of additives, such as corrosion inhibitors. The merchandise subject to these investigations is classified in the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS) under item number 3102.80.00.00. Although the HTSUS item number is provided for convenience and customs purposes, the written description of the merchandise under investigation is dispositive.

Period of Investigation

The period of investigation (POI) is October 1, 2001, through March 31, 2002.

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Nonmarket Economy Country Status

The Department has treated Ukraine as a nonmarket economy (NME) country in all previous antidumping investigations. *See Notice of Final Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value: Solid Agricultural Ammonium Nitrate from Ukraine*, 66 FR 38632 (July 25, 2001). This NME designation remains in effect until it is revoked by the Department. *See* section 771(1)(C) of the Act. No party has sought revocation of the NME status in this investigation.² Therefore, in accordance with section 771(1)(C) of the Act, we will continue to treat Ukraine as an NME country.

Ukraine-Wide Rate

In an NME proceeding, the Department presumes that all companies within the country are subject to governmental control, and assigns separate rates only if the respondent demonstrates the absence of both *de jure* and *de facto* governmental control over export activities. *See Notice of Sales at Less Than Fair Value: Bicycles From the People's Republic of China*, 61 FR 19026, 19027 (April 30, 1996). In the *Preliminary Determination*, we found that the mandatory respondents, JSC Stirol (Stirol) and JSC Azot Cherkassy (Cherkassy), did not demonstrate eligibility for a separate rate. Accordingly, we preliminarily determined that Stirol and Cherkassy, in addition to all other exporters, are part of the NME-entity and subject to the Ukraine-wide rate.

We received no comments on this issue. Therefore, in our final results we continue to find that Stirol and Cherkassy, in addition to all other exporters, are part of the NME entity and therefore subject to the Ukraine-wide rate.

Use of Facts Available

In the *Preliminary Determination*, the Department found that the respondents did not cooperate to the best of their ability and applied the total adverse facts available rate of 193.58 percent, the corroborated initiation rate, as the "Ukraine-wide" rate. *See Preliminary Determination.* *See also Initiation Notice.* No interested party objected to the use of adverse facts available, nor to

²We note that the Department received a request for revocation of Ukraine's NME status but determined to defer its decision on this issue. *See Notice to Defer a Decision Regarding Ukraine's Non-Market Economy Status: Antidumping Duty Investigation of Carbon and Certain Alloy Steel Wire Rod from Ukraine*, 67 FR 51536 (August 8, 2002). Information on this separate proceeding can also be found at Import Administration's website, at <http://ia.ita.doc.gov/>