

the Department is maintaining the order on sebacic acid from the PRC.

This notice is published in accordance with §§ 751(b)(1) and 777(i) of the Act, and 19 CFR 351.221(c)(3).

Dated: May 21, 2003.

Joseph A. Spetrini,

Acting Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[A-449-804]

Steel Concrete Reinforcing Bars from Latvia: Extension of the Time Limit for the Preliminary Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review

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

EFFECTIVE DATE: May 28, 2003.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jim Kemp or Constance Handley at (202) 482-5346 or (202) 482-0631, respectively; Office of AD/CVD Enforcement 5, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230.

Time Limits

Statutory Time Limits

Section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act), requires the Department of Commerce (the Department) to complete the preliminary results of an administrative review within 245 days after the last day of the anniversary month of an order/finding for which a review is requested and the final results within 120 days after the date on which the preliminary results are published. However, if it is not practicable to complete the review within these time periods, section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act allows the Department to extend the time limit for the preliminary results to a maximum of 365 days after the last day of the anniversary month of an order/finding for which a review is requested, and for the final results to 180 days (or 300 days if the Department does not extend the time limit for the preliminary results) from the date of publication of the preliminary results.

Background

On September 3, 2002, Joint Stock Company Liepajas Metalurgs, a Latvian

producer of subject merchandise, requested an administrative review of the antidumping duty order on Steel Concrete Reinforcing Bars from Latvia. On October 24, 2002, the Department published a notice of initiation of the administrative review, covering the period January 30, 2001, through August 31, 2002 (67 FR 65336). The preliminary results are currently due no later than June 2, 2003.

Extension of Time Limit for Preliminary Results of Review

We determine that it is not practicable to complete the preliminary results of this review within the original time limit for the reasons stated in our memorandum from Gary Taverman, Director, Office V, to Holly Kuga, Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary, which is on file in the Central Records Unit, Room B-099 of the main Commerce building. Therefore, the Department is extending the time limit for completion of the preliminary results by two months until no later than August 4, 2003. We intend to issue the final results no later than 120 days after publication of the preliminary results notice.

This extension is in accordance with section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act.

Dated: May 21, 2003.

Holly A. Kuga,

Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary for AD/CVD Enforcement II.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[C-357-815]

Notice of Correction To the Notice of Intent To Rescind Countervailing Duty Administrative Review: Certain Hot-Rolled Carbon Steel Flat Products From Argentina

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

ACTION: Notice of correction to notice of intent to rescind countervailing duty administrative review.

SUMMARY: On May 16, 2003, the Department of Commerce (the Department) issued a notice of intent to rescind the countervailing duty administrative review on certain hot-rolled carbon steel flat products from Argentina (hot-rolled products), covering the period January 1, 2001 through December 31, 2001, and one manufacturer/exporter of the subject merchandise, Siderar Sociedad

Anomina Industrial & Commercial (Siderar). *See Notice of Intent to Rescind Countervailing Duty Administrative Review: Certain Hot-Rolled Carbon Steel Flat Products from Argentina*, 68 FR 26572 (May 16, 2003).

EFFECTIVE DATE: May 28, 2003.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Stephanie Moore or Cindy Robinson, 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) 482-3692 or (202) 482-3797, respectively.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Department inadvertently omitted to indicate that it was issuing a Notice of Preliminary Results and Intent to Rescind Countervailing Duty Administrative Review (CVD) when it issued the Notice of Intent to Rescind Countervailing Duty Administrative Review on Certain Hot-Rolled Carbon Steel Flat Products from Argentina. Therefore, this notice of correction serves as an amendment and notification of the issuance of the preliminary results and intent to rescind the CVD review. The Department also omitted the following paragraph. This paragraph is hereby incorporated into the preliminary results and notice of intent to rescind.

Public Comment

Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.309, interested parties may submit written comments in response to the notice of intent to rescind the countervailing duty administrative review on certain hot-rolled carbon steel flat products from Argentina. Case briefs must be submitted within 30 days after the date of publication of this notice, and rebuttal briefs, limited to arguments raised in case briefs, must be submitted no later than five days after the time limit for filing case briefs. Parties who submit argument in this proceeding are requested to submit with the argument; (1) A statement of the issues, and (2) a brief summary of the argument. Case and rebuttal briefs must be served on interested parties in accordance with 19 CFR 351.303(f). Also, pursuant to 19 CFR 351.310, within 30 days of the date of publication of this notice, interested parties may request a public hearing on arguments to be raised in the case and rebuttal briefs. Unless the Secretary specifies otherwise, the hearing, if requested, will be held two days after the date for submission of rebuttal briefs. The Department will publish the final results on the rescission of the countervailing duty administrative

review, including the results of its analysis of issues raised in any case or rebuttal brief or at a hearing.

This notice is in accordance with section 751(a)(1) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, and §§ 351.213(d) and 351.309(b) of the Department's regulations.

Dated: May 20, 2003.

Holly A. Kuga,

Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 051703A]

NOAA's New Strategic Plan

AGENCY: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Notice; request for comments.

SUMMARY: The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) is the premier United States agency for environmental assessment, prediction and management providing broad benefits to the national economy, public safety and environment. NOAA has recently completed a new strategic plan for the agency responding to growing national needs for environmental information and management. NOAA's new Strategic Plan is now the blueprint for the direction of NOAA's core and future missions and is being institutionalized in every aspect of NOAA's resource planning and priority setting. An important step in this process is aligning all organizational components within NOAA to the Strategic Plan. To that end, NOAA Line organizations have now drafted new strategic plans together with new performance measures and performance metrics.

DATES: Comments will be accepted through June 20, 2003.

ADDRESSES: Send comments to Ms. Kelley Smith, NOAA Strategic Planning, Program Planning and Integration Office, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Room 15755, 1315 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Kelley Smith, phone: 301-713-1622, ext. 197, fax: 301-713-0585.

Status: NOAA encourages all stakeholders and users to review the

NOAA Line Organization's draft Strategic Plans. All comments must be submitted by individuals or individual organizations. Group consensus comments will not be accepted. The drafts of the NOAA Line Organization's Strategic Plans and directions for submitting comments have been posted at <http://www.osp.noaa.gov/>.

Comments, questions and suggestions are welcomed from both scientific and stakeholder communities. Comments on these draft Strategic Plans can be submitted up to June 20, 2003, by using the web site or by submitting directly to the following e-mail address: strategic.planning@noaa.gov.

Matters To Be Considered: All comments received will be reviewed and considered in the final drafting of NOAA's new Line Organization's Strategic Plans.

Dated: May 20, 2003.

Joyce Wood,

Director, NOAA Strategic Planning Office.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[Docket No. 030506116-3116-01, I.D. 050103E]

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Financial Assistance for Fisheries Disasters

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of solicitation for applications.

SUMMARY: This Fisheries Disasters program provides financial assistance for assistance to the shrimp industries in the Gulf and South Atlantic. The Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number is 11.452, titled Unallied Industry Projects.

DATES: Your application must be received by close of business (5 p.m. eastern standard time on June 27, 2003. Applications received after that time will not be considered for funding. The earliest start date of awards is approximately 45 days after the date of publication of this notice. Applicants should consider this processing time in developing requested start dates for their applications.

ADDRESSES: You can obtain an application package from, National Marine Fisheries Service, State/Federal

Liaison Office, 9721 Executive Center Drive N., St. Petersburg, FL 33702. Send completed applications to this same address. You may also obtain forms from: <http://caldera.sero.nmfs.gov/grants/grants.htm>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ellie Francisco Roche, Chief, State/Federal Liaison Office at 727-570-5324 or at Ellie.Roche@noaa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Authority

We are soliciting applications for Federal assistance pursuant to Division N, Title V, Section 501 (Fisheries Disasters), of the Consolidated Appropriations Resolution, 2003 P.L.108-7.

II. Program Description and Purpose

Economic assistance, as described below, is being provided to the South Atlantic shrimp fishery and the Gulf shrimp fishery. \$17,500,000 shall be made available for assistance to the shrimp industries in the states of South Carolina, Georgia, North Carolina, and Florida, in proportion to the percentage of the shrimp catch landed by each state, for economic assistance to the South Atlantic shrimp fishery. The State of Florida shall receive only that proportion associated with landings of the Florida east coast fishery.

In addition, \$17,500,000 shall be made available for assistance to the shrimp industries in the states of Mississippi, Texas, Alabama, Louisiana, and Florida, in proportion to the percentage of the shrimp catch landed by each state, for economic assistance to the Gulf shrimp fishery. The State of Florida shall receive only that proportion associated with landings of the Florida gulf coast fishery.

Two percent of funds received by each state shall be retained for distribution of additional payments to fishermen with a demonstrated record of compliance with turtle excluder and bycatch reduction device regulations. The remaining funds may be used only for: personal assistance, with priority given to food, energy needs, housing assistance, transportation fuel, and other urgent needs; assistance for small businesses including fishermen, fish processors, and related businesses serving the fishing industry; domestic product marketing and seafood promotion; state seafood testing programs; development of limited entry programs for the fishery; funding or other incentives to ensure wide-spread and proper use of turtle excluder devices and bycatch reduction devices in the fishery; and voluntary capacity