

in support of the imposition of antidumping duties in this investigation and parties in opposition to the imposition of such duties will each be collectively allocated one hour within which to make an oral presentation at the conference. A nonparty who has testimony that may aid the Commission's deliberations may request permission to present a short statement at the conference.

Written submissions.—As provided in sections 201.8 and 207.15 of the Commission's rules, any person may submit to the Commission on or before November 12, 2003, a written brief containing information and arguments pertinent to the subject matter of the investigation. Parties may file written testimony in connection with their presentation at the conference no later than three days before the conference. If briefs or written testimony contain BPI, they must conform with the requirements of sections 201.6, 207.3, and 207.7 of the Commission's rules. The Commission's rules do not authorize filing of submissions with the Secretary by facsimile or electronic means, except to the extent permitted by section 201.8 of the Commission's rules, as amended, 67 FR 68036 (November 8, 2002).

In accordance with sections 201.16(c) and 207.3 of the rules, each document filed by a party to the investigation must be served on all other parties to the investigation (as identified by either the public or BPI service list), and a certificate of service must be timely filed. The Secretary will not accept a document for filing without a certificate of service.

Authority: This investigation is being conducted under authority of title VII of the Tariff Act of 1930; this notice is published pursuant to section 207.12 of the Commission's rules.

Issued: October 20, 2003.

By order of the Commission.

Marilyn R. Abbott,

Secretary to the Commission.

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INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

[Investigation No. TA-421-4]

Certain Ductile Iron Waterworks Fittings From China

Determination

On the basis of information developed in the critical circumstances phase of the subject investigation, the United States International Trade Commission

determines, pursuant to section 421(i) of the Trade Act of 1974,¹ that critical circumstances do not exist with respect to imports of certain ductile iron waterworks fittings from China. Specifically, the Commission makes a negative determination under section 421(i)(1)(A) with respect to whether delay in taking action under this section would cause damage to the relevant domestic industry which would be difficult to repair.²

Background

Following receipt of a petition filed on September 5, 2003, on behalf of McWane, Inc.,³ Birmingham, AL, the Commission instituted investigation No. TA-421-4, *Certain Ductile Iron Waterworks Fittings from China*, under section 421(b) of the Act to determine whether certain ductile iron waterworks fittings⁴ from China are being imported into the United States in such increased quantities or under such conditions as to cause or threaten to cause market disruption to the domestic producers of like or directly competitive products. The petition also alleged under section 421(i) of the Act that critical circumstances exist with respect to the subject products and requested that provisional relief be provided.

Notice of the institution of the Commission's investigation and of the scheduling of a staff conference during the critical circumstances phase and a subsequent public hearing to be held in the investigation was given by posting copies of the notice in the Office of the Secretary, U.S. International Trade Commission, Washington, DC, and by publishing the notice in the **Federal Register** of September 15, 2003 (68 F.R. 54010). The staff conference in connection with the critical circumstances phase of the investigation was held on September 26, 2003 in Washington, DC; all persons who requested the opportunity were

¹ 19 U.S.C. 2451(i).

² Commissioner Lane makes an affirmative determination under section 421(i)(1)(A), and therefore dissents. Commissioner Pearson did not participate in this determination.

³ McWane operates three subsidiaries that produce the subject products including: Clow Water Systems Co., Coshocton, OH; Tyler Pipe Co., Tyler, TX; and Union Foundry Co., Anniston, AL.

⁴ The products subject to this investigation are cast pipe or tube fittings of ductile iron (containing 2.5 percent carbon and over 0.02 percent magnesium or magnesium and cerium, by weight) with mechanical, push-on (rubber compression) or flanged joints attached. Included within this definition are fittings of all nominal diameters and of both full-bodied and compact designs. The imported products are provided for in statistical reporting number 7307.19.3070 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTS).

permitted to appear in person or by counsel.

The Commission transmitted its determination in the critical circumstances phase of this investigation to the President on October 20, 2003. The views of the Commission are contained in USITC Publication 3642 (October 2003), entitled *Certain Ductile Iron Waterworks Fittings from China: Investigation No. TA-421-4* (Critical Circumstances Phase).

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Secretary to the Commission.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Drug Enforcement Administration

Manufacturer of Controlled Substances; Notice of Application

Pursuant to section 1301.33(a) of Title 21 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), this is notice that on June 13, 2003, Chemic Laboratories, Inc., 480 Neponset Street, Building 7C, Canton, Massachusetts 02021, made application by renewal to the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) for registration as a bulk manufacturer of Cocaine (9041), a basic class of a Schedule II controlled substance.

The firm plans to manufacture small quantities of a cocaine derivative for distribution to a customer.

Any other such applicant and any person who is presently registered with DEA to manufacture such substance may file comments or objections to the issuance of the proposed registration.

Any such comments or objections may be addressed, in quintuplicate, to the Deputy Assistant Administrator, Office of Diversion Control, Drug Enforcement Administration, United States Department of Justice, Washington, DC 20537, Attention: Federal Register Representative, Office of Chief Counsel (CCD) and must be filed no later than December 23, 2003.

Dated: September 2, 2003.

Laura M. Nagel,

Deputy Assistant Administrator, Office of Diversion Control, Drug Enforcement Administration.

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