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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

Application for Duty-Free Entry of Scientific Instrument

Pursuant to section 6(c) of the Educational, Scientific and Cultural Materials Importation Act of 1966 (Pub. L. 89-651; 80 Stat. 897; 15 CFR part 301), we invite comments on the question of whether an instrument of equivalent scientific value, for the purposes for which the instrument shown below is intended to be used, is being manufactured in the United States.

Comments must comply with 15 CFR 301.5(a)(3) and (4) of the regulations and be filed within 20 days with the Statutory Import Programs Staff, U.S. Department of Commerce, Washington, DC 20230. Applications may be examined between 8:30 a.m. and 5 p.m. in Suite 4100W, U.S. Department of Commerce, Franklin Court Building, 1099 14th Street, NW., Washington, DC.

Docket Number: 03-050.

Applicant: San Diego State University, 5500 Campanile Drive, San Diego, CA 92182-4614.

Instrument: Electron Microscope, Model Tecnai G² 12 TWIN.

Manufacturer: FEI Company, The Netherlands.

Intended Use: The instrument is intended to be used for research purposes in the following areas:

- (1) Phytoflagellates of the Salton Sea.
- (2) Structure and function of mitochondria.
- (3) Analysis of contractile protein function through ultrastructural analysis.
- (4) Environmental adaptations in fish.
- (5) Stress-induced coral mortality.
- (6) Visualization of recombinant intermediates by Cryo-TEM.

Minor research uses by students include:

- (1) New thermoacidophilic organisms from hot springs.
- (2) Signal transduction of the stress response in the heart.
- (3) Molecular genetic analysis of neuromuscular system function in *Drosophila melano-gaste*.
- (4) Physiology of fish gill and their response to parasitism;
- (5) Analysis and subcellular localization of putative sphingolipid signaling molecules in skeletal and cardiac muscle.

Application accepted by Commissioner of Customs: October 20, 2003.

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International Trade Administration

[C-122-839]

Preliminary Results and Partial Rescission of Countervailing Duty Expedited Reviews: Certain Softwood Lumber Products From Canada

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

ACTION: Notice of preliminary results of countervailing duty expedited reviews.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce (the Department) is conducting expedited reviews of the countervailing duty order on certain softwood lumber products from Canada for the period April 1, 2000 through March 31, 2001. This notice includes the preliminary results for 16 companies. For all 16 companies we applied the Group 2 methodology. See the "Methodology" section below for details. For information on estimated net subsidies, see the "Preliminary Results of Reviews" section of this notice. If the final results remain the same as these preliminary results of reviews, we will instruct the U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) to amend the cash deposit rate for each reviewed company as detailed in the "Preliminary Results of Reviews" section of this notice. Interested parties are invited to comment on these preliminary results.

The Department is also rescinding expedited reviews of five companies. See the "Partial Rescission" section below for details.

EFFECTIVE DATE: November 24, 2003.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Stephanie Moore or Cindy Lai Robinson, Office of AD/CVD Enforcement VI, 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.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On May 22, 2002, the Department published in the **Federal Register** its

amended final affirmative countervailing duty determination and countervailing duty order on certain softwood lumber products (subject merchandise) from Canada (67 FR 36070), as corrected, 67 FR 37775 (May 30, 2002) (*Amended Final Determination*). On July 17, 2002, the Department published the *Notice of Initiation of Expedited Reviews of the Countervailing Duty Order: Certain Softwood Lumber Products From Canada*, 67 FR 46955 (July 17, 2002) (*Notice of Initiation/Round 1*), which covered 73 companies that filed complete and timely review applications. On September 20, 2002, the Department published the *Notice of Initiation of Expedited Reviews of the Countervailing Duty Order: Certain Softwood Lumber Products from Canada*, 67 FR 59252 (September 20, 2002) (*Notice of Initiation/Round 2*), which covered 31 additional companies. This notice included 23 companies that had corrected their applications as well as eight companies whose requests were received after the initial application deadline for reasons outside the requesters' control.

As explained in the *Notice of Initiation/Round 1*, we segregated the 73 Round 1 applicants into two groups. Group 1 consists of 45 companies which obtain the majority of their wood (over 50 percent of their inputs) from the United States, the Maritime Provinces, Canadian private lands, and Canadian companies excluded from the order, and companies that source less than a majority of their wood from these sources and do not have tenure. Group 2 includes 28 companies that have tenure contracts and source less than a majority of their wood from these sources. Of the 31 companies in Round 2, we similarly segregated 23 companies into Group 1 and eight companies into Group 2.

With respect to the Group 1 companies, on August 14, 2002, the Department issued a notice of preliminary results covering 18 companies. See *Preliminary Results of Countervailing Duty Expedited Reviews: Certain Softwood Lumber Products from Canada*, 67 FR 52945 (August 14, 2002) (*August Preliminary Results*). On November 5, 2002, the Department issued a notice of final results for 13 of the 18 companies covered in the *August Preliminary Results*. Of the five remaining companies, two companies requested an analysis of whether they benefitted from subsidies bestowed on their inputs and we deferred a notice of final results for the other three companies to allow interested parties to comment on the verification reports. See