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Acting Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[C-533-825]

Polyethylene Terephthalate Film, Sheet, and Strip From India: Extension of Time Limit for Preliminary Results of Countervailing Duty Administrative Review

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

DATES: *Effective Date:* March 4, 2005.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jeff Pedersen or Sam Zengotitabengoa, AD/CVD Operations, Office 4, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482-2769 or (202) 482-4195, respectively.

Background

On August 30, 2004, the Department of Commerce (the Department) published a notice of initiation of administrative review of the countervailing duty order on polyethylene terephthalate film, sheet, and strip (PET film) from India covering the period from January 1, 2003, through December 31, 2003. See *Initiation of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Administrative Reviews and Requests for Revocation in Part*, 69 FR 52857 (August 30, 2004). The preliminary results are currently due no later than April 2, 2005.

Statutory Time Limits

Section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act), requires the Department to make a preliminary determination within 245 days after the last day of the anniversary month of the date of publication of the order for which a review is requested and a final determination within 120 days after the date on which the preliminary determination is published. However, if it is not practicable to complete the review within this time period, section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act allows the Department to extend the time limit for the preliminary determination to a maximum of 365 days and the time limit for the final determination to 180 days (or 300 days if the Department

does not extend the time limit for the preliminary determination) from the date of publication of the preliminary determination.

Extension of Time Limit for Preliminary Results of Review

The Department finds that it is not practicable to complete the preliminary results in this countervailing duty administrative review of PET film from India within the 245-day statutory time frame because additional time is needed to fully analyze a new subsidy allegation submitted by the petitioner in this review, new subsidy programs, and submissions from a new respondent, as well as to conduct the verifications of the questionnaire responses of the respondents in this administrative review.

Therefore, in accordance with section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act, the Department is extending the time limit for completion of the preliminary results of this review until no later than August 1, 2005, which is the next business day after 365 days from the last day of the anniversary month of the date of publication of the order. The deadline for the final results of this administrative review continues to be 120 days after the publication of the preliminary results.

This notice is issued and published in accordance with section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act.

Dated: February 28, 2005.

Barbara E. Tillman,
Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Office of Insular Affairs

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Allocation of Duty-Exemptions for Calendar Year 2005 Among Watch Producers Located in the Virgin Islands

AGENCY: Import Administration, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce; Office of Insular Affairs, Department of the Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This action allocates calendar year 2005 duty exemptions for watch producers located in the Virgin Islands pursuant to Public Law 97-446, as amended by Public Law 103-465 (“the Act”).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Faye Robinson, (202) 482-3526.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to the Act, the Departments of the Interior and Commerce (the Departments) share responsibility for the allocation of duty exemptions among watch assembly firms in the United States insular possessions and the Northern Mariana Islands. In accordance with Section 303.3(a) of the regulations (15 CFR 303.3(a)), the total quantity of duty-free insular watches and watch movements for calendar year 2004 is 1,866,000 units for the Virgin Islands (65 FR 8048, February 17, 2000).

The criteria for the calculation of the calendar year 2005 duty-exemption allocations among insular producers are set forth in § 303.14 of the regulations (15 CFR 303.14).

The Departments have verified and adjusted the data submitted on application form ITA-334P by Virgin Islands producers and inspected their current operations in accordance with § 303.5 of the regulations (15 CFR 303.5).

In calendar year 2004 the Virgin Islands watch assembly firms shipped 319,624 watches and watch movements into the customs territory of the United States under the Act. The dollar amount of creditable corporate income taxes paid by Virgin Islands producers during calendar year 2004 plus the creditable wages paid by the industry during calendar year 2004 to residents of the territory was \$2,041,956.

There are no producers in Guam, American Samoa or the Northern Mariana Islands.

The calendar year 2005 Virgin Islands annual allocations, based on the data verified by the Departments, are as follows:

Name of firm	Annual allocation
Belair Quartz, Inc	500,000
Hampden Watch Co., Inc	200,000
Goldex Inc	50,000
Tropex, Inc	300,000

The balance of the units allocated to the Virgin Islands is available for new entrants into the program or producers

who request a supplement to their allocation.

Joseph A. Spetrini,

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Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary for Insular Affairs, Department of the Interior.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 022505B]

Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Atlantic Mackerel Fishery; Scoping Process

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

ACTION: Notice of intent to prepare a supplemental environmental impact statement (SEIS); notice of scoping meetings; request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council (Council) announces its intention to prepare, in cooperation with NMFS, a SEIS in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act to assess potential effects on the human environment of alternative measures for managing the Atlantic mackerel (*Scomber scombrus*) fishery pursuant to the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act. Amendment 9 to the Atlantic Mackerel, Squid and Butterfish Fishery Management Plan (FMP) is under development and a NOI was previously published on November 29, 2001. Issues scoped under the previous NOI include: a multi-year specification process, the expiration of the moratorium on entry into the *Illex* squid fishery, revisions to the overfishing definition for *Loligo* squid, measures to minimize the adverse effects of fishing on essential fish habitat, and measures to reduce discards and bycatch. This notice further expands the scope of measures under consideration to include controlled access measures for the Atlantic mackerel fishery. This notice also announces a public process for determining the scope of issues to be addressed and for identifying the significant issues relating to the possible development of a limited access program for the Atlantic mackerel fishery. The intended effect of this

notice is to alert the interested public of the scoping process and to provide for public participation. During this scoping period, the Council is seeking comments on the possible development of a limited access program for Atlantic mackerel only.

DATES: Written comments on the intent to prepare an SEIS must be received on or before 5 p.m., local time, April 4, 2005. The first public scoping meeting will be held at 10 a.m. on March 17, 2005, at the Ramada Inn Outer Banks Resort and Conference Center located at 1701 S. Virginia Dare Trail, Kill Devil Hills, NC 27948 (telephone 252-441-2151). The second scoping meeting will be held at 7 p.m. on March 28, 2005, at the Hotel Viking, One Bellevue Avenue, Newport, RI 02840 (telephone 401-848-4864).

ADDRESSES: Written comments on the possible development of a limited access program for the Atlantic mackerel fishery for inclusion in the SEIS for Amendment 9 to the FMP should be directed to Mr. Daniel T. Furlong, Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council, Room 2115 Federal Building, 300 S. New St., Dover, DE 19904, (telephone 302-674-2331). Comments may also be sent via fax to 302-674-5399 or by e-mail to MackLA9@noaa.gov. Please include in the subject line of e-mail comments the following document identifier: "Scoping Comments-Mackerel Limited Access." The scoping document may also be obtained from the Council office at the address and telephone number above or via the Internet at <http://www.nero.noaa.gov/nero/>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Daniel T. Furlong, Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council, Room 2115 Federal Building, 300 S. New St., Dover, DE 19904, (telephone 302-674-2331).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On July 5, 2002 (67 FR 44794), NMFS announced that it was considering proposed rulemaking to control future access to the Atlantic mackerel fishery if a management program was implemented to limit the number of participants in the fishery. The purpose of this "control date" was to discourage speculative entry into the Atlantic mackerel fishery while the Council and NMFS discussed whether and how access to the Atlantic mackerel fishery should be controlled. The Council recently voted to include the possible development of a limited access program to the Atlantic mackerel fishery in Amendment 9 at its January 2005 meeting. The issue was subsequently discussed at a meeting of the Councils' Atlantic Mackerel, Squid and Butterfish Committee (Committee)

on February 18, 2005, in Cape May, NJ. The Committee agreed to seek public comment on the following questions relative to limiting access to the Atlantic mackerel fishery: (1) Is limited access to the Atlantic mackerel fishery warranted or should no action be taken? (2) If limited access in the mackerel fishery is warranted, then what type of system is appropriate? (3) What criteria should the Council consider to qualify vessels for limited access to the mackerel fishery? (4) What is the appropriate qualifying period and should the control date be used in the definition of the qualifying period? (5) Should the Council consider the implementation of a trigger which would initiate controlled access at a future date? (6) What provisions for vessel upgrades, if any, should the Council consider if limited access is implemented in the mackerel fishery? (7) Under limited access conditions, should rules governing at sea processing and transfers at sea in the mackerel fishery be established? and (8) To what extent does the lack of joint management of the Atlantic mackerel resource with Canada affect the development of a limited access program in the portion of the fishery under US jurisdiction?

Special Accommodations

These meetings are physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Debbie Donnangelo at the Mid-Atlantic Council, telephone (302) 674-2331, at least 5 days prior to the scoping meetings.

Authority: Authority: 16 U.S.C. 1801 *et seq.*

Dated: February 28, 2005.

Alan D. Risenhoover,

Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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Pacific Fishery Management Council; Public Meetings and Hearings

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

ACTION: Notice of public hearings.