

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Department received a timely request from SWG, in accordance with 19 CFR 351.214(c), for a new shipper review of the antidumping duty order on SSB from Germany, which has a March anniversary month.

Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.214(b), SWG certified that it is both an exporter and producer of the subject merchandise, that it did not export subject merchandise to the United States during the period of investigation ("POI") (October 1, 1999, through September 30, 2000), and that it was not affiliated with any exporter or producer who exported the subject merchandise to the United States during the POI. SWG also submitted documentation establishing the date on which the subject merchandise was first entered for consumption, the volume shipped, and the date of its first sale to an unaffiliated customer in the United States.

**Scope of the Order**

For the purposes of this order, the term "stainless steel bar" includes articles of stainless steel in straight lengths that have been either hot-rolled, forged, turned, cold-drawn, cold-rolled or otherwise cold-finished, or ground, having a uniform solid cross section along their whole length in the shape of circles, segments of circles, ovals, rectangles (including squares), triangles, hexagons, octagons, or other convex polygons. SSB includes cold-finished stainless steel bars that are turned or ground in straight lengths, whether produced from hot-rolled bar or from straightened and cut rod or wire, and reinforcing bars that have indentations, ribs, grooves, or other deformations produced during the rolling process.

Except as specified above, the term does not include stainless steel semi-finished products, cut length flat-rolled products (*i.e.*, cut length rolled products which if less than 4.75 mm in thickness have a width measuring at least 10 times the thickness, or if 4.75 mm or more in thickness having a width which exceeds 150 mm and measures at least twice the thickness), products that have been cut from stainless steel sheet, strip or plate, wire (*i.e.*, cold-formed products in coils, of any uniform solid cross section along their whole length, which do not conform to the definition of flat-rolled

products), and angles, shapes and sections.

The SSB subject to this order is currently classifiable under subheadings 7222.11.00.05, 7222.11.00.50, 7222.19.00.05, 7222.19.00.50, 7222.20.00.05, 7222.20.00.45, 7222.20.00.75, and 7222.30.00.00 of the *Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States* ("HTSUS"). Although the HTSUS subheadings are provided for convenience and customs purposes, the written description of the scope of the order is dispositive.

**Initiation of Review**

In accordance with section 751(a)(2)(B) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.214(d), we are initiating a new shipper review of the antidumping duty order on SSB from Germany (produced and exported) by SWG. Because we are initiating this new shipper review in the month immediately following the anniversary month, this review covers the period from March 1, 2005, through February 28, 2006, in accordance with 19 CFR 351.214(g)(1)(i)(A). We intend to issue the preliminary results of this review no later than 180 days after the date on which this review is initiated, and the final results within 90 days after the date on which we issue the preliminary results. See section 751(a)(2)(B)(iv) of the Act.

We will instruct U.S. Customs and Border Protection to suspend liquidation of any unliquidated entries of the subject merchandise from SWG and allow, at the option of the importer, the posting, until completion of the review, of a bond or security in lieu of a cash deposit for each entry of the merchandise exported by SWG in accordance with 19 CFR 351.214(e). Because SWG certified that it both produces and exports the subject merchandise, the sale of which is the basis for this new shipper review request, we will permit the bonding privilege only for those entries of subject merchandise for which SWG is both the producer and the exporter.

Interested parties may submit applications for disclosure under administrative protective order in accordance with 19 CFR 351.305 and 351.306.

This initiation and notice are in accordance with section 751(a)(2)(B) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.214(d).

Dated: April 20, 2006.

**Stephen J. Claeys,**

*Deputy Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE****International Trade Administration**

[A-475-820]

**Stainless Steel Wire Rod from Italy: Notice of Final Results of Changed Circumstances Antidumping Duty Review**

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

**SUMMARY:** On March 20, 2006, the Department of Commerce (the Department) published a notice of initiation and preliminary results of its changed circumstances review of the antidumping duty order on stainless steel wire rod (SSWR) from Italy. See *Notice of Initiation and Preliminary Results of Changed Circumstances Antidumping Duty Review: Stainless Steel Wire Rod from Italy*, 71 FR 13964 (Mar. 20, 2006) (*Preliminary Results*). We have now completed that review. For these final results, as in the *Preliminary Results*, we determine that: 1) Acciaierie Valbruna S.p.A. (Valbruna S.p.A.) is the successor-in-interest to Acciaierie Valbruna S.r.l. (Valbruna S.r.l.) and its subsidiary Acciaierie Bolzano S.p.A. (Bolzano S.p.A.), a respondent in the less-than-fair-value investigation; and 2) merchandise from Acciaierie Valbruna S.p.A. should be excluded from the antidumping duty order.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** December 16, 1998.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Irina Itkin or Alice Gibbons, AD/CVD Operations, Office 2, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230; telephone (202) 482-0656 and (202) 482-0498, respectively.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:****Background**

On September 15, 1998, the Department published in the **Federal Register** (63 FR 49327) the antidumping duty order on SSWR from Italy. Valbruna S.r.l. and its affiliate Bolzano S.p.A. were excluded from the order because their dumping margin was *de minimis*. On January 26, 2006, Valbruna S.p.A. submitted a written request that the Department conduct a changed circumstances review in order to clarify for U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) that Valbruna S.p.A. is the successor-in-interest to Valbruna S.r.l./Bolzano S.p.A. and that subject merchandise produced by this entity should not be subject to antidumping

duties. Valbruna S.p.A. requested that the result of the Department's changed circumstances review be retroactive to December 16, 1998, the effective date of Valbruna S.r.l.'s name and corporate change to Valbruna S.p.A.

On March 20, 2006, the Department published a notice of initiation and preliminary results of its changed circumstances review of the antidumping duty order on SSWR from Italy. *See Preliminary Results*. Interested parties were invited to comment on the preliminary results. No parties submitted comments.

**Scope of Order**

For purposes of this order, SSWR comprises products that are hot-rolled or hot-rolled annealed and/or pickled and/or descaled rounds, squares, octagons, hexagons or other shapes, in coils, that may also be coated with a lubricant containing copper, lime or oxalate. SSWR is made of alloy steels containing, by weight, 1.2 percent or less of carbon and 10.5 percent or more of chromium, with or without other elements. These products are manufactured only by hot-rolling or hot-rolling, annealing, and/or pickling and/or descaling, are normally sold in coiled form, and are of solid cross-section. The majority of SSWR sold in

the United States is round in cross-sectional shape, annealed and pickled, and later cold-finished into stainless steel wire or small-diameter bar.

The most common size for such products is 5.5 millimeters or 0.217 inches in diameter, which represents the smallest size that normally is produced on a rolling mill and is the size that most wire-drawing machines are set up to draw. The range of SSWR sizes normally sold in the United States is between 0.20 inches and 1.312 inches diameter. Two stainless steel grades, SF20T and K-M35FL, are excluded from the scope of the order. The chemical makeup for the excluded grades is as follows:

**SF20T**

Carbon .....	0.05max	Chromium	19.00/21.00
Manganese .....	2.00 max	Molybdenum	1.50/2.50
Phosphorous .....	0.05 max	Lead	added (0.10/0.30)
Sulfur .....	0.15 max	Tellurium	added (0.03 min)
Silicon .....	1.00 max		

**K-M35FL**

Carbon .....	0.015 max	Nickel	0.30 max
Silicon .....	0.70/1.00	Chromium	12.50/14.00
Manganese .....	0.40 max	Lead	0.10/0.30
Phosphorous .....	0.04 max	Aluminum	0.20/0.35
Sulfur .....	0.03 max		

The products subject to this order are currently classifiable under subheadings 7221.00.0005, 7221.00.0015, 7221.00.0030, 7221.00.0045, and 7221.00.0075 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS). Although the HTSUS subheadings are provided for convenience and customs purposes, the written description of the merchandise is dispositive.

**Final Results of Review**

Based on our analysis in the *Preliminary Results*, we find that Valbruna S.p.A. is the successor-in-interest to Valbruna S.r.l./Bolzano S.p.A. Based on evidence on the record, we find that Valbruna S.p.A.'s organizational structure, management, production facilities, supplier relationships, and customers have remained essentially unchanged. Further, we find that Valbruna S.p.A. operates as the same business entity as Valbruna S.r.l./Bolzano S.p.A. Because Valbruna S.r.l./Bolzano S.p.A. was excluded from the antidumping duty order on SSWR from Italy, we will apply this determination retroactively and will instruct CBP to liquidate, without regard to antidumping duties, all unliquidated entries entered, or

withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after December 16, 1998, the date of Valbruna S.r.l.'s name change to Valbruna S.p.A, in accordance with past precedent. *See Certain Hot-Rolled Lead and Bismuth Carbon Steel Products from the United Kingdom: Final Results of Changed-Circumstances Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Administrative Review*, 64 FR 66880, 66881 (Nov. 30, 1999) (where the Department applied the changed circumstances determination retroactively because the company in question received a *de minimis* margin at the final determination and, thus, was never subject to the countervailing duty order).

**Notification**

This notice also serves as a final reminder to parties subject to administrative protective orders (APOs) of their responsibility concerning the disposition of proprietary information disclosed under APO in accordance with 19 CFR 352.305(a)(3). Timely notification of the 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 and notice are issued and published in accordance with sections 751(b)(1) and 777(i)(1) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, and 19 CFR 351.216.

Dated: April 19, 2006.

**David M. Spooner,**  
Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

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**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE.**

**International Trade Administration**

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**Stainless Steel Sheet and Strip from the Republic of Korea: Extension of Time Limit for Preliminary Results of Countervailing Duty Administrative Review**

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

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** April 26, 2006.

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