DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

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Certain Lined Paper Products From the People’s Republic of China: Extension of Time Limits for Preliminary Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review

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

EFFECTIVE DATE: June 5, 2008.


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On October 31, 2007, the U.S. Department of Commerce (“Department”) published a notice of initiation of the administrative review of the antidumping duty order on certain lined paper products from the People’s Republic of China, covering the period April 17, 2006 to August 31, 2007. See Initiation of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Administrative Reviews, 72 FR 61621 (October 31, 2007). The preliminary results of this review are currently due no later than June 1, 2008.

Extension of Time Limit of Preliminary Results

Section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (“the Act”), requires the Department to issue preliminary results within 245 days after the last day of the anniversary month of an order for which a review is requested. Section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act further states that if it is not practicable to complete the review within the time period specified, the administering authority may extend the 245-day period to issue its preliminary results up to 365 days.

We determine that completion of the preliminary results of this review within the 245-day period is not practicable for the following reasons. The mandatory respondent has complex cost allocation issues which require the Department to gather and analyze a significant amount of information associated with the factors of production and manufacturing costs. In addition, petitioner, Association of American School Paper Suppliers, has raised other issues which require the collection of additional information and has requested that the Department extend the preliminary results to allow more time to analyze these issues. Given the number and complexity of issues in this case and the Department’s resource constraints, and in accordance with section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act, we are extending the time period for issuing the preliminary results of review by 120 days. Therefore, the preliminary results are now due no later than September 29, 2008. The final results continue to be due 120 days after publication of the preliminary results.

This notice is issued and published pursuant to section 751(a)(3)(A) and 771(i)(1) of the Act.


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Deputy Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

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Less Than Fair Value: Polyethylene Terephthalate Film, Sheet, and Strip from Brazil, 73 FR 24560 (May 5, 2008), and Notice of Preliminary Determination of Sales at Not Less Than Fair Value: Polyethylene Terephthalate Film, Sheet, and Strip from Thailand, 73 FR 24565 (May 5, 2008) (collectively, “Preliminary Determinations”). The final determinations of the antidumping duty investigations are currently due on July 9, 2008.2

Section 735(a)(2) of the Tariff Act of 1930 (“the Act”) provides that a final determination may be postponed until not later than 135 days after the date of the publication of the preliminary determination if, in the event of an affirmative determination, a request for such postponement is made by exporters who account for a significant proportion of exports of the subject merchandise, or in the event of a negative preliminary determination, a request for such postponement is made by petitioner. In addition, the Department’s regulations, at Section 351.210(e)(2), require that requests by respondents for postponement of a final determination be accompanied by a request for extension of provisional measures from a four–month period to not more than six months. See 19 CFR 351.210(e)(2).

On May 2, 2008, DuPont Teijin Films China Limited, the sole active mandatory respondent in the PRC investigation, along with its affiliates DuPont Teijin Hongji Films Ningbo Co., Ltd., and DuPont–Hongji Films Foshan Co., Ltd., and Terphane Ltda., the sole mandatory respondent in the Brazil investigation, requested extension of the final determinations and extension of the provisional measures.3 Thus, because the preliminary determinations in the PRC and Brazil investigations are affirmative, and the respondents requesting extension of the final determinations and extension of the provisional measures account for significant proportions of exports of the subject merchandise, and no compelling reasons for denial exist, we are extending the due date for the final determination in the PRC and Brazil investigations to no later than 135 days after the date of the publication of the preliminary determination.

On May 2, 2008, DuPont Teijin Films, Mitsubishi Polyester Film of America, Inc., SKC, Inc. and Toray Plastics (America), Inc. (collectively, “petitioners”), requested an extension of the final determination in the Thailand investigation. Thus, as the request for extension in the Thailand investigation was made by petitioners because the preliminary determination in the Thailand investigation is negative, and no compelling reasons for denial exist, we are extending the due date for the final determination in the Thailand investigation to no later than 135 days after the date of the publication of the preliminary determination.

For the reasons identified above, we are postponing the final determinations in the PRC, Brazil, and Thailand investigations until September 17, 2008. This notice is issued and published pursuant to sections 777(i) and 735(a)(2) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.210(g).

Antidumping Duty Proceedings

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Suspended Investigations

No Sunset Review of suspended investigations are scheduled for initiation in July 2008.

The Department’s procedures for the conduct of Sunset Reviews are set forth in 19 CFR 351.218. Guidance on methodological or analytical issues relevant to the Department’s conduct of Sunset Reviews is set forth in the Department’s Policy Bulletin 98.3--Policies Regarding the Conduct of Five–year (“Sunset”) Reviews of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Orders; Policy Bulletin, 63 FR 18871 (April 16, 1998). The Notice of Initiation of Five–year (“Sunset”) Reviews provides further information regarding what is required of all parties to participate in Sunset Reviews. Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.103(c), the Department will maintain and make available a service list for these proceedings. To facilitate the timely preparation of the service list(s), it is requested that those seeking recognition as interested parties to a proceeding contact the Department in writing within 10 days of the publication of the Notice of Initiation.

Please note that if the Department receives a Notice of Intent to Participate from a member of the domestic industry within 15 days of the date of initiation, the review will continue. Thereafter, any interested party wishing to

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2 The Department inadvertently stated in the PRC preliminary determination that it would make its final determination no later than 75 days after the date of publication of the preliminary determination, instead of no later than 75 days after the date of the preliminary determination.

3 Terphane Ltda.’s original request did not mention its agreement to the extension of the provisional measures, as required by 19 CFR 351.210(e)(2). However, on May 19, 2008, Terphane Ltda. submitted a letter agreeing to the extension of the provisional measures.