

IV. Request for Comments

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden (including hours and cost) of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval of this information collection; they also will become a matter of public record.

Dated: October 23, 2008.

Gwellnar Banks,

Management Analyst, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Bureau of Industry and Security

[Docket No. 0810091342-81349-01]

Effectiveness of Licensing Procedures for Agricultural Commodities to Cuba

AGENCY: Bureau of Industry and Security, Commerce.

ACTION: Request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Industry and Security (BIS) is requesting public comments on the effectiveness of its licensing procedures as defined in the Export Administration Regulations for the export of agricultural commodities to Cuba. BIS will include a description of these comments in its biennial report to the Congress, as required by the Trade Sanctions Reform and Export Enhancement Act of 2000 (22 U.S.C. 7201 *et seq.*), as amended.

DATES: Comments must be received by November 28, 2008.

ADDRESSES: Written comments may be sent by email to publiccomments@bis.doc.gov with a reference to "TSRA 2008 Report" in the subject line. Written comments may be submitted by mail to Regulatory Policy Division, Bureau of Industry and Security, U.S. Department of Commerce, Room 2705, Washington, DC 20230 with a reference to "TSRA 2008 Report."

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Alan W. Christian, Office of Nonproliferation and Treaty Compliance, Telephone: (202) 482-4252. Additional information on BIS procedures and our previous biennial report under the Trade Sanctions Reform and Export Enhancement Act, as amended, are available at http://www.bis.doc.gov/licensing/TSRA_TOC.html. Copies of these materials may also be requested by contacting the Office of Nonproliferation and Treaty Compliance.

The public comments are displayed on BIS's Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Web site at <http://www.bis.doc.gov/foia>. If you have technical difficulties accessing this Web site, please call BIS's Office of Administration at (202) 482-2165 for assistance.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Bureau of Industry and Security (BIS) authorizes exports of agricultural commodities to Cuba pursuant to section 906(a) of the Trade Sanctions Reform and Export Enhancement Act of 2000 (TSRA) (22 U.S.C. 7205(a)), under the procedures set forth in section 740.18 of the Export Administration Regulations (EAR) (15 CFR 740.18). These are the only licensing procedures in the EAR currently in effect pursuant to the requirements of section 906(a) of TSRA.

Under the provisions of section 906(c) of TSRA (22 U.S.C. 7205(c)), BIS must submit a biennial report to the Congress on the operation of the licensing system implemented pursuant to section 906(a) for the preceding two-year period. This report is to include the number and types of licenses applied for, the number and types of licenses approved, the average amount of time elapsed from the date of filing of a license application until the date of its approval, the extent to which the licensing procedures were effectively implemented, and a description of comments received from interested parties during a 30-day public comment period about the effectiveness of the licensing procedures. BIS is currently preparing a biennial report on the operation of the licensing system for the two-year period from October 1, 2006 through September 30, 2008.

By this notice, BIS requests public comments on the effectiveness of the licensing procedures for the export of agricultural commodities to Cuba set forth under section 740.18 of the EAR. Parties submitting comments are asked to be as specific as possible. All comments received by the close of the comment period will be considered by

BIS in developing the report to Congress.

All information relating to the notice will be a matter of public record and will be available for public inspection and copying. In the interest of accuracy and completeness, BIS requires written comments.

Dated: October 24, 2008.

Christopher R. Wall,

Assistant Secretary for Export Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

A-549-817

Certain Hot-Rolled Carbon Steel Flat Products from Thailand: Extension of Time Limit for Final Results of Changed Circumstances Review

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

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of Commerce ("the Department") is extending the time limit for the final results of the changed circumstances review of the antidumping duty order on certain hot-rolled carbon steel flat products ("hot-rolled steel") from Thailand. The period of review is October 1, 2005, through September 30, 2006. This extension is made pursuant to 19 CFR 351.216(e).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: John Drury or Angelica Mendoza, AD/CVD Operations, Office 7, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482-0195 or (202) 482-3019, respectively.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

BACKGROUND: On November 29, 2001, the Department published the antidumping duty order on hot-rolled steel from Thailand. *See Antidumping Duty Order: Certain Hot-Rolled Carbon Steel Flat Products From Thailand*, 66 FR 59562 (November 29, 2001) ("*Hot-Rolled Steel Order*"). In November 2004, in the course of the 2003 - 2004 administrative review, Sahaviriya Steel Industries Public Company Limited ("SSI") requested revocation of the Hot-Rolled Steel Order with respect to its sales of subject merchandise. *See Certain Hot-Rolled Carbon Steel Flat Products From Thailand; Preliminary Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review and Intent to*

Revoke and Rescind in Part, 70 FR 73197 (December 9, 2005).

In its revocation request, SSI agreed to immediate reinstatement in the Hot-Rolled Steel Order, so long as any producer or reseller is subject to the order, should the Department determine that SSI "sold the subject merchandise at less than normal value." See SSI's November 30, 2004, letter to the Department requesting revocation. On May 17, 2006, the Department revoked the antidumping duty order with respect to SSI after having determined that SSI sold the merchandise at not less than normal value for a period of at least three consecutive years.¹ See *Revocation*.

As the result of an adequate allegation from a domestic interested party in this proceeding (*i.e.*, United States Steel Corporation), the Department, pursuant to section 751(b)(1) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended ("the Act"), is now conducting a changed circumstances review to determine whether SSI has resumed dumping hot-rolled steel and whether the antidumping order should be reinstated for hot-rolled steel from Thailand manufactured and exported by SSI. See *Initiation of Antidumping Duty Changed Circumstances Review: Certain Hot-Rolled Carbon Steel Flat Products from Thailand*, 73 FR 18766 (April 7, 2008).

Extension of Time Limits for Final Results

Under 19 CFR 351.216(e), the Department will issue the final results of a changed circumstances review within 270 days after the date on which the Department initiates the changed circumstances review. Currently, the final results of this antidumping duty changed circumstances review on hot-rolled steel from Thailand are due by December 23, 2008. Due to the nature of this changed circumstances review and the complexities of the issues, the Department finds that it is not practicable to complete the review within this time period. Moreover, the

¹ The three administrative reviews forming the basis of the revocation are: 1) the May 3, 2001, through October 31, 2002, review, *Certain Hot-Rolled Carbon Steel Flat Products From Thailand: Final Results and Partial Rescission of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review*, 69 FR 19388 (April 13, 2004); 2) the November 1, 2002, through October 31, 2003, review, *Certain Hot-Rolled Carbon Steel Flat Products from Thailand: Rescission of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review*, 69 FR 18349 (April 7, 2004); and 3) the November 1, 2003, through October 31, 2004, review, *Certain Hot-Rolled Carbon Steel Flat Products from Thailand: Final Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review, Partial Revocation of Antidumping Duty Order and Partial Rescission of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review*, 71 FR 28659 (May 17, 2006) ("*Revocation*").

Department plans to conduct verification of SSI's sales responses. As a result, pursuant to 19 CFR 351.302(b), we are extending the time limit for completion of the review by 120 days. See *Certain Pasta from Italy: Notice of Extension of Final Results of Antidumping Duty Changed Circumstances Review*, 73 FR 46871 (August 12, 2008), and *Polyethylene Terephthalate Film Sheet and Strip from the Republic of Korea: Extension of Time Limit for Final Results of Changed Circumstances Review*, 73 FR 6931 (February 6, 2008). Therefore, the final results will be due no later than April 22, 2009. The Department intends to issue the preliminary results of the changed circumstances review no later than December 23, 2008.

This notice is published in accordance with sections 751(b) and 771(i) of the Act.

Dated: October 23, 2008.

Stephen J. Claeys,

Deputy Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

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Certain Stainless Steel Butt-Weld Pipe Fittings from Taiwan: Extension of Time Limit for the Final Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review

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

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce (the Department) is extending the time limit for the final results of the administrative review of the antidumping duty order on certain stainless steel butt-weld pipe fittings from Taiwan. The period of review is June 1, 2006, through May 31, 2007. This extension is made pursuant to section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act).

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 29, 2008.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: John Drury or Angelica Mendoza, Office 7, AD/CVD Operations, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230, telephone: (202) 482-0195 and (202) 482-3019, respectively.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On July 8, 2008, the Department published the preliminary results of the administrative review of the antidumping duty order on certain stainless steel butt-weld pipe fittings from Taiwan covering the period June 1, 2006, through May 31, 2007. See *Certain Stainless Steel Butt-Weld Pipe Fittings from Taiwan: Preliminary Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review and Notice of Intent to Rescind in Part*, 73 FR 38972 (July 8, 2008). The final results for the antidumping duty administrative review of certain stainless steel butt-weld pipe fittings from Taiwan are currently due no later than November 5, 2008.

Extension of Time Limits for Final Results

Section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act requires the Department to issue the final results in an administrative review within 120 days of the publication of the preliminary results. 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 final results to 180 days (or 300 days if the Department does not extend the time limit for the preliminary results) from the date of publication of the preliminary results.

In accordance with section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act, and 19 CFR 351.213(h)(2), the Department finds that it is not practicable to complete the review within the original time frame (*i.e.*, by November 5, 2008). Specifically, the Department requires additional time to review complex issues raised in parties' case briefs including substantive comments relating to the respondent's qualification for a constructed export price offset and the Department's use of facts available with respect to certain aspects of respondent's cost reporting. Because it is not practicable to complete this administrative review within the time limit mandated by section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.213(h)(2), the Department is extending the time limit for completion of the final results of this administrative review by 60 days, to no later than January 4, 2009. Because January 4, 2009 falls on a Sunday, the new deadline for the final results will be the next business day, Monday, January 5, 2009. See 19 CFR 351.303(b).

This notice is published pursuant to section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act.