DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
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Atlantic Coastal Fisheries Cooperative Management Act Provisions; Atlantic Coastal Shark Fishery

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

ACTION: Notice of cancellation of Federal moratorium.

SUMMARY: NMFS announces the cancellation of the Federal moratorium on fishing for Atlantic coastal sharks in the State waters of New Jersey. NMFS canceled the moratorium, as required by the Atlantic Coastal Fisheries Cooperative Management Act (Atlantic Coastal Act), based on the determination that New Jersey is now in compliance with the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission’s (Commission) Interstate Fishery Management Plan for Atlantic Coastal Sharks (Coastal Shark Plan).


ADDRESSES: Emily Menashes, Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Room 13362, Silver Spring, MD 20910.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Brian Hooker, Fishery Management Specialist, NMFS Office of Sustainable Fisheries, (301) 713–2334.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On February 4, 2010, the Commission found that the State of New Jersey was out of compliance with the Commission’s Coastal Shark Plan. Specifically, the Commission found that New Jersey had not implemented regulations that are necessary to rebuild depleted shark stocks, ensure sustainable harvest of others, and provide protection for sharks in nursing and pupping grounds found within State waters. The Commission forwarded the findings of their vote on February 4, 2010, in a formal non-compliance referral letter that was received by NMFS on February 8, 2010.

On March 16, 2010, NMFS notified the State of New Jersey and the Commission of its determination that New Jersey failed to carry out its responsibilities under the Commission’s Coastal Shark Plan and that the measures New Jersey has failed to implement and enforce are necessary for the conservation of the shark resource.

In this determination and notification, NMFS detailed the actions necessary to avoid the implementation of a Federal moratorium for sharks in New Jersey waters. Details of this determination were provided in a Federal Register notice published on April 27, 2010 (75 FR 22103), and are not repeated here.

Activities Pursuant to the Atlantic Coastal Act

The Atlantic Coastal Act specifies that, if, after a moratorium is declared with respect to a State, the Secretary is notified by the Commission that it is withdrawing the determination of noncompliance, the Secretary shall immediately determine whether the State is in compliance with the applicable plan. If the State is determined to be in compliance, the moratorium shall be terminated. On July 20, 2010, NMFS received a letter from the Commission that New Jersey has taken corrective action to comply with the Coastal Shark Plan, and that the Commission has withdrawn its determination of noncompliance.

Cancellation of the Moratorium

Based on the Commission’s July 20, 2010, letter, information received from the State of New Jersey, and NMFS review of New Jersey’s revised coastal shark regulations, NMFS concurs with the Commission’s determination that New Jersey is now in compliance with the Coastal Shark Plan. Therefore, the moratorium on fishing for, possession of, and landing of Atlantic coastal sharks by the recreational and commercial fishermen within New Jersey waters is canceled. NMFS, however, wishes to remind the public that although the Federal non-compliance moratorium is withdrawn, other State and Federal coastal shark regulations continue to remain in effect, including regulations that prohibit the landing of some shark species. NMFS urges the shark fishing public to be knowledgeable of all shark fishing regulations before engaging in the fishery.

Authority: 16 U.S.C. 5101 et seq.

Dated: July 26, 2010.

Eric C. Schwaab,
Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
International Trade Administration

[–552–801]

Certain Frozen Fish Fillets From the Socialist Republic of Vietnam: Extension of Time Limit for Preliminary Results of the 6th Antidumping Duty Administrative and 6th New Shipper Reviews

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

DATES: Effective Date: July 30, 2010.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Javier Barrientos, AD/CVD Operations, Office 9, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482–2243.

Background


On January 29, 2010, the Department extended the deadline for parties to file surrogate country comments and surrogate value data. See Memorandum to the File, from Emeka Chukwudebe, Case Analyst, Import Administration,

Extension of Time Limits for Preliminary Results

Section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (“Act”), and 19 CFR 351.213(h)(1) require the Department to issue the preliminary results in an administrative review of an antidumping duty order 245 days after the last day of the anniversary month of the order for which the administrative review was requested. The Department may, however, extend the deadline for completion of the preliminary results of an administrative review to 365 days if it determines it is not practicable to complete the review within the foregoing time period. See 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 preliminary results within this time limit. The Department is extending the deadline because it needs more time to analyze the supplemental responses of the new mandatory respondent. In addition, parties have submitted voluminous surrogate country comments and surrogate value data, and thus will require additional time to analyze these data. Thus, the Department requires additional time to address these circumstances in these reviews. We are, therefore, extending the time for the completion of the preliminary results of these reviews by 30 days, from the date of the presently tolled due date of August 8, 2010, for the preliminary results, to September 7, 2010. This notice is published in accordance with section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.213(h)(2).


Edward C. Yang,
Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary for Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Operations.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[A–570–501]

Natural Bristle Paint Brushes and Brush Heads From the People's Republic of China: Final Results of Changed Circumstance Review

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

SUMMARY: On June 16, 2010, the Department of Commerce (“Department”) published a notice of initiation and preliminary results of a changed circumstances review with the intent to revoke the antidumping duty order on natural bristle paint brushes and brush heads from the People’s Republic of China (“PRC”). In our notice of initiation and preliminary results, we gave interested parties an opportunity to comment; however, none were received. We are now revoking the order based on the fact that domestic parties have expressed a lack of interest in antidumping duty relief from imports of the subject merchandise. Therefore, we will instruct U.S. Customs and Border Protection (“CBP”) to terminate the suspension of liquidation of all unliquidated entries of subject merchandise covered by the scope of the order entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after the publication date of these final results in the Federal Register.

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 30, 2010.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Bob Palmer or Catherine Bertrand, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington DC 20230; telephone (202) 482–9068 and (202) 482–3207, respectively.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

The Department issued its antidumping duty order on natural paint brushes and brush head in March 1986. See Antidumping Duty Order; Natural Bristle Paint Brushes and Brush Heads From the People’s Republic of China, 51 FR 5380 (February 14, 1986) and Amended Antidumping Duty Order; Natural Bristle Paint Brushes and Brush Heads From the People’s Republic of China, 51 FR 8342 (March 11, 1986) (“Order”). On May 7, 2010, the Department received a request, pursuant to sections 751(d)(1) and 782(h)(2) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (“the Act”), and 19 CFR 351.222(g), to revoke the Order based on an expression of no interest from the Paint Applicators Trade Action Coalition, an ad hoc coalition of producers of the domestic like product, and the Paint Applicator Division of the American Brush Manufacturers Association, a trade association, (collectively the “Paint Applicators”). On June 16, 2010, in response to the request, the Department published the notice of initiation and preliminary results of a changed circumstances review. See Natural Bristle Paint Brushes and Brush Heads From the People’s Republic of China: Notice of Initiation and Preliminary Results of Changed Circumstance Review, and Intent To Revoke the Order, 75 FR 34997 (June 16, 2010) (“Initiation and Preliminary Results”). As noted above, we gave interested parties and opportunity to comment on the Initiation and Preliminary Results. We received no comments from interested parties.

Scope of the Order

The merchandise covered by the scope of the Order are natural bristle paintbrushes and brush heads from the PRC. Excluded from the scope of the Order are paint brushes and brush heads with a blend of 40 percent natural bristles and 60 percent synthetic filaments. The merchandise under review is currently classifiable under item 9603.40.40.40 of the Harmonized

System of Tariffs of the United States.