DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
International Trade Administration
[A–588–838]
Clad Steel Plate From Japan: Continuation of Antidumping Duty Order

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

SUMMARY: As a result of the determinations in the third sunset reviews by the Department of Commerce (Department) and the International Trade Commission (ITC) that revocation of the antidumping duty order on clad steel plate from Japan would likely lead to a continuation or recurrence of dumping and material injury to an industry in the United States, the Department is publishing a notice of continuation of the antidumping duty order.

DATES: Effective Date: February 11, 2013.


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On February 1, 2012, the Department published the notice of initiation of the third sunset review of the antidumping duty order on clad steel plate from Japan pursuant to section 751(c) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (Act). See Initiation of Five-Year (Sunset) Review, 77 FR 4995 (Feb. 1, 2012).

As a result of its review, the Department determined that revocation of the antidumping duty order on clad steel plate from Japan would likely lead to a continuation or recurrence of dumping and, therefore, notified the ITC of the magnitude of the margins of dumping likely to prevail should the order be revoked. See Clad Steel Plate from Japan: Final Results of the Expedited Third Sunset Review of the Antidumping Duty Order, 77 FR 31834 (May 30, 2012).

On February 1, 2013, the ITC published its determination, pursuant to section 751(c) of the Act, that revocation of the antidumping duty order on clad steel plate from Japan would likely lead to a continuation or recurrence of material injury to an industry in the United States within a reasonably foreseeable future. See Clad Steel Plate From Japan: Determination, 78 FR 7451 (Feb. 1, 2013).

Scope of the Order

The scope of the order is all clad1 steel plate of a width of 600 millimeters (mm) or more and a composite thickness of 4.5 mm or more. Clad steel plate is a rectangular finished steel mill product consisting of a layer of cladding material (usually stainless steel or nickel) which is metallurgically bonded to a base or backing of ferrous metal (usually carbon or low alloy steel) where the latter predominates by weight.

Stainless clad steel plate is manufactured to American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM) specifications A263 (400 series stainless types) and A264 (300 series stainless types). Nickel and nickel-base alloy clad steel plate is manufactured to ASTM specification A265. These specifications are illustrative but not necessarily all-inclusive.

Clad steel plate within the scope of the order is classifiable under the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS) 7210.90.10.00. Although the HTSUS subheading is provided for convenience and customs purposes, our written description of the scope of the order is dispositive.

Continuation of the Order

As a result of the determinations by the Department and the ITC that revocation of the antidumping duty order would likely lead to a continuation or recurrence of dumping and material injury to an industry in the United States, pursuant to section 751(d)(2) of the Act, the Department hereby orders the continuation of the antidumping duty order on clad steel plate from Japan. U.S. Customs and Border Protection will continue to collect cash deposits for estimated antidumping duties at the rates in effect at the time of entry for all imports of subject merchandise.

The effective date of the continuation of the order will be the date of publication in the Federal Register of this notice of continuation. Pursuant to section 751(c)(2) of the Act, the Department intends to initiate the next five-year review of the order not later than 30 days prior to the fifth anniversary of the effective date of continuation.

This five-year (sunset) review and this notice are in accordance with section 751(c) of the Act and published pursuant to section 777(i)(1) of the Act.


Paul Piquado,
Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
International Trade Administration
[C–570–911]

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

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce (“the Department”) is rescinding the administrative review of the countervailing duty order on circular welded carbon quality steel pipe from the People’s Republic of China (“PRC”) for the period January 1, 2011, through December 31, 2011.

DATES: Effective Date: February 11, 2013.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Joshua Morris, AD/CVD Operations, Office 1, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482–1779.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

The Department initiated an administrative review of the countervailing duty order on circular welded carbon quality steel pipe from the PRC covering the period January 1, 2011, through December 31, 2011, based on requests by Wheatland Tube Company (“Wheatland”) and LDR Industries, Inc. (“LDR”). See Initiation of Antidumping and Countervailing


Recision of Review

Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.213(d)(1), the Department will rescind an administrative review, in whole or in part, if the party that requested the review withdraws its request within 90 days of the publication of the notice of initiation of the requested review. In this case, LDR and Wheatland withdrew their requests within the 90-day deadline and no other parties requested an administrative review of the countervailing duty order. Therefore, we are rescinding the administrative review of circular welded carbon quality steel pipe from the PRC covering the period January 1, 2011, through December 31, 2011.

Assessment

The Department will instruct U.S. Customs and Border Protection ("CBP") to assess countervailing duties on all entries of circular welded carbon quality steel pipe from the PRC during the POR at rates equal to the cash deposit of estimated countervailing duties required at the time of entry or withdrawal from warehouse for consumption, in accordance with 19 CFR 351.212(c)(1)(i). The Department intends to issue appropriate assessment instructions to CBP 15 days after publication of this notice.

Notifications

This notice serves as a final reminder to importers of their responsibility under 19 CFR 351.402(f)(2) to file a certificate regarding the reimbursement of countervailing duties prior to liquidation of the relevant entries during this review period.

This notice also serves as a final reminder to parties subject to administrative protective order ("APO") of their responsibility concerning the return or destruction of proprietary information disclosed under APO in accordance with 19 CFR 351.305, which continues to govern business proprietary information in this segment of the proceeding. Timely written notification of the return/destruction of APO materials or conversion to judicial protective order is hereby requested. Failure to comply with the regulations and terms of an APO is a violation which is subject to sanction.

This notice is issued and published in accordance with sections 751(a)(1) and 777(i)(1) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, and 19 CFR 351.213(d)(4).


Christian Marsh,
Deputy Assistant Secretary for Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Operations.

CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION

[CPSC Docket No. 12–1, CPSC Docket No. 12–2 and CPSC Docket No. 13–2]

Notice of Telephonic Prehearing Conference


ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Notice of telephonic prehearing conference for the consolidated case: In the Matter of MAXFIELD AND OBERTON HOLDINGS, LLC; ZEN MAGNETS, LLC; and STAR NETWORKS USA, LLC; CPSC Docket No. 12–1; CPSC Docket No. 12–2; and CPSC Docket No. 13–2.

DATES: March 6, 2013, 12:30 p.m. Mountain/1:30 p.m. Central/2:30 p.m. Eastern.

ADDRESSES: Members of the public are welcome to attend the prehearing conference at the Courtroom of Hon. Dean C. Metry at 601 25th Street, 5th Floor Courtroom, Galveston, Texas 77550.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jan Emig, Paralegal Specialist, U.S. Coast Guard ALJ Program, (409) 765–1300.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Any or all of the following shall be considered during the prehearing conference:

(1) Petitions for leave to intervene;
(2) Motions, including motions for consolidation of proceedings and for certification of class actions;
(3) Identification, simplification and clarification of the issues;
(4) Necessity or desirability of amending the pleadings;
(5) Stipulations and admissions of fact and of the content and authenticity of documents;
(6) Oppositions to notices of depositions;
(7) Motions for protective orders to limit or modify discovery;
(8) Issuance of subpoenas to compel the appearance of witnesses and the production of documents;
(9) Limitation of the number of witnesses, particularly to avoid duplicate expert witnesses;
(10) Matters of which official notice should be taken and matters which may be resolved by reliance upon the laws administered by the Commission or upon the Commission’s substantive standards, regulations, and consumer product safety rules;
(11) Disclosure of the names of witnesses and of documents or other physical exhibits which are intended to be introduced into evidence;
(12) Consideration of offers of settlement;
(13) Establishment of a schedule for the exchange of final witness lists, prepared testimony and documents, and for the date, time and place of the hearing, with due regard to the convenience of the parties; and
(14) Such other matters as may aid in the efficient presentation or disposition of the proceedings.

Telephonic conferencing arrangements to contact the parties will be made by the court. Mary Murphy, Esq. and Jennifer Argabright, Esq., Counsel for the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, shall be contacted by a third party conferencing center at (301) 504–7809. David C. Japha, Esq., Counsel for ZEN MAGNETS, LLC and STAR NETWORKS USA, LLC shall be contacted by a third party conferencing center at (303) 964–9500.