the elimination of a customs duty under the Agreement, an Omani textile or apparel article is being imported into the United States in such increased quantities, in absolute terms or relative to the domestic market for that article, and under such conditions as to cause serious damage or actual threat thereof to a U.S. industry producing a like or directly competitive article. In these circumstances, Article 3.1 permits the United States to increase duties on the imported article from Oman to a level that does not exceed the lesser of the prevailing U.S. normal trade relations (NTR)/most-favored-nation (MFN) duty rate for the article or the U.S. NTR/MFN duty rate in effect on the day before the Agreement entered into force.

The Statement of Administrative Action accompanying the Act provides that the Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements (CITA) will issue procedures for requesting such safeguards, for making its determinations under section 322(a) of the Act, and for providing relief under section 322(b) of the Act.

In Proclamation No. 8332 (73 FR 80289, December 31, 2008), the President delegated to CITA his authority under Subtitle B of Title III of the Act with respect to textile and apparel safeguard measures.

CITA must collect information in order to determine whether a domestic textile or apparel industry is being adversely impacted by imports of these products from Oman, thereby allowing CITA to take corrective action to protect the viability of the domestic textile or apparel industry, subject to section 322(b) of the Act.

Affected Public: Individuals or households; business or other for-profit organizations.

Frequency: On occasion.

Respondent’s Obligation: Voluntary.


Copies of the above information collection proposal can be obtained by calling or writing Jennifer Jessup, Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, (202) 482–0336, Department of Commerce, Room 6616, 14th and Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20230 (or via the Internet atJJessup@doc.gov).

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to Wendy Liberante, OMB Desk Officer, Fax number (202) 395–5167 or via the Internet at Wendy.L_Liberante@omb.eop.gov.
certain graphite electrodes, produced and/or exported by Sinosteel Jilin Carbon Co., Ltd. and Jilin Carbon Import & Export Company (collectively, “Jilin Carbon”), with an actual or nominal diameter of 17 inches, and otherwise meeting the description of in-scope merchandise, constitutes merchandise altered in form or appearance in such minor respects that it should be included within the scope of the Order.¹

DATES: Effective Date: April 17, 2013.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Thomas Schauer, Office 1, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC, 20230; telephone: (202) 482–0410.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Scope of the Antidumping Duty Order

The merchandise covered by the order is small diameter graphite electrodes. Small diameter graphite electrodes subject to the order are currently classifiable in the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States ("HTSUS") at subheading 8545.11.0010. The HTSUS subheadings are provided for convenience and customs purposes. A full description of the scope of the Order is contained in the memorandum from Christian Marsh, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Operations, to Paul Piquado, Assistant Secretary for Import Administration, “Preliminary Analysis Memorandum for the Circumvention Inquiry of the Antidumping Duty Order on Small Diameter Graphite Electrodes from the People’s Republic of China” dated concurrently with this notice (”Preliminary Decision Memorandum”), which is hereby adopted by this notice. The written description is dispositive. The Preliminary Decision Memorandum is a proprietary document with a public version, and the public version is on file electronically via Import Administration’s Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Centralized Electronic Service System (“IA ACCESS”). Access to IA ACCESS is available to registered users at http://iaaccess.trade.gov and is available to all parties in the Central Records Unit, room 7046 of the main Department of Commerce building. In addition, a complete version of the Preliminary Decision Memorandum can be accessed directly on the Internet at http://www.trade.gov/ia/. The signed Preliminary Decision Memorandum and the electronic versions of the Preliminary Decision Memorandum are identical in content.

Scope of the Circumvention Inquiry

The merchandise subject to this circumvention inquiry consists of graphite electrodes from the PRC, produced and/or exported by Jilin Carbon, Beijing Fangda Carbon-Tech Co., Ltd. and Fangda Carbon New Material Co., Ltd., and Fushun Jinly Petrochemical Carbon, with diameters larger than 17 inches but less than 18 inches, and otherwise meeting the description of the scope of the Order. We have limited the application of our affirmative preliminary determination to graphite electrodes from the PRC, produced and/or exported by Jilin Carbon, with an actual or nominal diameter of 17 inches because record evidence shows that, among the producers and merchandise subject to this inquiry, Jilin Carbon produced and/or exported 17-inch diameter graphite electrodes to the United States,² and we have no record evidence at this time supporting a determination that any other producer in the PRC produces or exports graphite electrodes with diameters larger than 16 inches but less than 18 inches.

Methodology

The Department has made this preliminary finding of circumvention in accordance with section 781(c) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (“Act”) and 19 CFR 351.225(f). For a full description of the methodology underlying our conclusions, see the Preliminary Decision Memorandum.

Preliminary Determination

As detailed in the Preliminary Decision Memorandum, we preliminarily determine, pursuant to section 781(c) of the Act, that imports from the PRC of certain graphite electrodes, produced and/or exported by Jilin Carbon, with a diameter of 17 inches, and otherwise meeting the description of in-scope merchandise, constitutes merchandise altered in form or appearance in such minor respects that it should be subject to the Order. This preliminary determination applies only to merchandise produced and/or exported by Jilin Carbon. Because we are recommending an affirmative preliminary determination of circumvention with respect to minor alterations pursuant to section 781(c) of the Act, we do not find it necessary to make a determination with respect to a later-developed merchandise circumvention inquiry pursuant to section 781(d) of the Act and we intend to rescind the later-developed merchandise circumvention inquiry.

Suspension of Liquidation

In accordance with 19 CFR 351.225(b)(2), we are directing U.S. Customs and Border Protection (“CBP”) to suspend liquidation of entries of merchandise subject to this inquiry produced and/or exported by Jilin Carbon, and entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after June 25, 2012, the date of publication of the initiation of this inquiry. We will also instruct CBP to require a cash deposit of estimated duties at the applicable rates for each unliquidated entry of the product entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after June 25, 2012, in accordance with 19 CFR 351.225(b)(2).

Public Comment

Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.309(c), interested parties may submit case briefs not later than 30 days after the date of publication of this notice. Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.309(d), rebuttal briefs, limited to issues raised in the case briefs, may be filed not later than five days after the date for filing case briefs. Parties who submit case briefs or rebuttal briefs in this proceeding are encouraged to submit with each argument: (1) A statement of the issue; (2) a brief summary of the argument; and (3) a table of authorities.

Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.310(c), interested parties who wish to request a hearing, or to participate if one is requested, must submit a written request to the Assistant Secretary for Import Administration, filed electronically via IA ACCESS. An electronically filed document must be received successfully in its entirety by the Department’s electronic records system, IA ACCESS, by 5 p.m. Eastern Standard Time within 30 days after the date of publication of this notice. Requests should contain: (1) The party’s name, address and telephone number; (2) the number of participants; and (3) a list of issues to be discussed. Issues raised in the hearing will be limited to those raised in the respective case briefs. We expect to issue our final determination of circumvention by September 13, 2013.

This preliminary determination of circumvention is in accordance with section 781(c) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.225.

¹ See Antidumping Duty Order: Small Diameter Graphite Electrodes from the People’s Republic of China, 74 FR 8775 (February 26, 2009) (“Order”).

² See Preliminary Decision Memorandum at 3–4.
Dated: April 11, 2013.

Paul Piquado,
Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[C–533–844]


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

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce (the Department) completed the administrative review of the countervailing duty (CVD) order on certain lined paper products from India for the period of review (POR) from January 1, 2010, through December 31, 2010, and published its preliminary results on October 22, 2012. On February 1, 2013, the Department issued the Post-Preliminary Decision Memorandum in this review.

DATES: Effective Date: April 17, 2013.


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On September 28, 2006, the Department published in the Federal Register the CVD order on certain lined paper products from India. On October 11, 2012, the Department published its preliminary results of administrative review of the CVD order on certain lined paper products from India for the POR. On October 22, 2012, the Department received the Government of India’s supplementa questionnaire response. On November 9, 2012, the Department postponed the deadline for case briefs. On January 25, 2013, the Department extended the time limit for completion of the final results by 60 days to April 9, 2013, in accordance with section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act. On February 1, 2013, the Department issued the Post-Preliminary Decision Memorandum in this review. AR Printing submitted a case brief on February 14, 2013, and petitioner submitted a rebuttal brief on February 22, 2012.

No interested party requested a hearing.

Scope of the Order

The merchandise subject to the order is certain lined paper products. The products are currently classifiable under the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS) item numbers: 4811.90.9050, 4811.90.9060, 4820.30.0040, 4810.22.5044, 4811.90.9050, 4811.90.9060, 4820.10.2040, 4820.10.2050, 4820.10.2060, and 4820.10.4000. Although the HTSUS numbers are provided for convenience and customs purposes, the written product description, available in the Lined Paper Order, remains dispositive.

Analysis of Comments Received

All issues raised in the case and rebuttal briefs by parties to this administrative review are addressed in the Memorandum to Paul Piquado, Assistant Secretary for Import Administration, from Christian Marsh, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Operations, “Countervailing Duty (CVD) Review of Certain Lined Paper Products from India: Issues and Decision Memorandum for the Final Results of Review” (“Decision Memorandum”), dated concurrently and hereby adopted by this notice. The analysis of changes to the net subsidy rates that the Department has made since the Preliminary Results are contained in the Department’s Post-Preliminary Decision Memorandum. A list of the issues which parties have raised, and to which we have responded in the Decision Memorandum, is attached as an Appendix. The Decision Memorandum is a public document and is on file electronically via Import Administration’s Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Centralized Electronic Service System (IA ACCESS). Access to IA ACCESS is available to registered users at http://iaaccess.trade.gov, and is available to all parties in the Central Records Unit room 7046 of the main Commerce building. In addition, a complete version of the Issues and Decision Memorandum can be accessed directly on the Web at http://ia.ita.doc.gov/frm. The signed Decision Memorandum and the electronic version of the Decision Memorandum are identical in content.

Final Results of Review

The Department determines a net subsidy rate of 100.40 percent ad valorem for AR Printing for the period January 1, 2010, through December 31, 2010. We adjusted the net subsidy rate to reflect our finding that a program-wide change exists with regard to two subsidy programs to arrive at a cash deposit rate for AR Printing of 94.92 percent ad valorem.

Assessment Rates/Cash Deposits

The Department intends to issue assessment instructions to U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) 15 days after the date of publication of these final results of review to liquidate shipments of subject merchandise by AR Printing entered, or withdrawn form warehouse, for consumption on or after January 1, 2010, through December 31, 2010, at the ad valorem assessment rate listed above. We will also instruct CBP to collect cash deposits for the respondent at the countervailing duty cash deposit rate indicated above on all shipments of the subject merchandise entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after the date of publication of these final results of review.

For all non-reviewed companies, we will instruct CBP to continue to collect cash deposits at the most recent...