Participation Requirements

All parties interested in participating in the Healthcare Trade Mission to Russia must complete and submit an application package for consideration by the Department of Commerce. All applicants will be evaluated on their ability to meet certain conditions and best satisfy the selection criteria as outlined below. A minimum of 15 U.S. companies and/or trade associations and maximum of 20 companies and/or trade associations will be selected to participate in the mission from the applicant pool. U.S. companies or trade associations already doing business with Russia, as well as U.S. companies or trade associations seeking to enter these countries for the first time may apply.

Fees and Expenses

After a company or trade association has been selected to participate in the mission, a payment to the Department of Commerce in the form of a participation fee is required. The participation fee will be $4,050 for large firms and $3,830 for a small or medium-sized enterprise (SME) or small organization, which will cover one representative.* The fee for an additional representative (SME or large company) is $750.00

Exceptions

Expenses for travel, lodging, meals, and incidentals will be the responsibility of each mission participant. Delegation members will be able to take advantage of U.S. Embassy rates for hotel rooms as of Sunday, October 20 through to Wednesday, October 23 in Moscow and Wednesday through Friday, October 25 in St. Petersburg. Please note that the trade mission begins in Moscow and ends in St. Petersburg. Early arrival nights in Moscow, return transportation to Moscow from St. Petersburg, or the extension of stay in St. Petersburg will be the responsibility of the participants.

Conditions for Participation

An applicant must submit a completed and signed mission application and supplemental application materials, including adequate information on the company’s products and/or services, primary market objectives, and goals for participation. If the Department of Commerce receives an incomplete application, the Department may reject the application, request additional information, or take the lack of information into account when evaluating the applications.

Each applicant must also certify that the products and services it seeks to export through the mission are either produced in the United States, or, if not, marketed under the name of a U.S. firm and have at least 51 percent U.S. content of the value of the finished product or service.

Criteria for Participation

Selection will be based on the following criteria:

1. Suitability of the company’s products or services to the market. Please note that due to Government procurement restrictions the Russian healthcare market is not receptive to refurbished goods in the context of this mission. For the purpose of this mission therefore, applicants may not promote used or refurbished goods in the context of this mission.

2. Applicant’s potential for business in Russia and in the region, including likelihood of exports resulting from the mission.

3. Consistency of the applicant’s goals and objectives with the stated scope of the mission.

Diversity of company or trade association size, sector or subsector, and location may also be considered during the review process.

Referrals from political organizations and any documents containing references to partisan political activities (including political contributions) will be removed from an applicant’s submission and not considered during the selection process.

Timeframe for Recruitment and Applications

Mission recruitment will be conducted in an open and public manner, including publication in the Federal Register (http://www.gpoaccess.gov/fr), posting on ITA’s trade mission calendar (http://export.gov/trademissions), and other Internet Web sites, press releases to general and trade media, direct mail, notices by industry trade associations and other multiplier groups, and publicity at industry meetings, symposia, conferences, and trade shows. Recruitment will begin immediately and conclude no later than COB July 29, 2013. The U.S. Department of Commerce will review applications and make selection decisions on a rolling basis until the maximum of fifteen participants is reached. We will inform all applicants of selection decisions as soon as possible after the applications are reviewed. Applications received after the July 29th deadline will be considered only if space and scheduling constraints permit.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

Notice of Scope Rulings

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

DATES: Effective Date: May 30, 2013.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce (“Department”) hereby publishes a list of scope rulings and anticircumvention
determinations made between October 1, 2012, and December 31, 2012. We intend to publish future lists after the close of the next calendar quarter.


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

The Department’s regulations provide that the Secretary will publish in the Federal Register a list of scope rulings on a quarterly basis.1 Our most recent notification of scope rulings was published on February 8, 2013.2 This current notice covers all scope rulings and anticircumvention determinations made by Import Administration between October 1, 2012, and December 31, 2012, inclusive. As described below, subsequent lists will follow after the close of each calendar quarter.

Scope Rulings Made Between October 1, 2012, and December 31, 2012:

Mexico

A–201–805: Circular Welded Non-Alloy Steel Pipe From Mexico

Requestor: LDA Incorporado; finished electrical rigid metal conduit produced by PYTCO, S.A. de C.V. and finished electrical metal tubing produced by Conduit, S.A. de C.V. are not within the scope of the antidumping duty order; November 15, 2012.

People’s Republic of China

A–570–836: Glycine From the People’s Republic of China

Requestor: Self-initiated by the Department; glycine exported from the People's Republic of China that is further processed in India is within the scope of the antidumping duty order; December 3, 2012.

A–570–886: Polyethylene Retail Carrier Bags From the People’s Republic of China

Requestor: NextDoor Design & Manufacturing LLC; its valet laundry bag is not within the scope of the antidumping duty order; October 5, 2012.

A–570–890: Wooden Bedroom Furniture From the People’s Republic of China

Requestor: Medline Industries, Inc.; Medline’s Hospital Bed End Panels are within the scope of the antidumping duty order; December 21, 2012.

A–570–901: Certain Lined Paper Products From the People’s Republic of China

Requestor: Esselte Corporation; Oxford Stone Paper Note Books are within the scope of the antidumping duty order; preliminary ruling December 28, 2012.

A–570–904: Activated Carbon From the People’s Republic of China

Requestor: Tobacco Import USA (“TIU”); hookah charcoal tablets imported by TIU are not within the scope of the antidumping duty order; December 17, 2012.

A–570–937/C–570–938: Citric Acid and Certain Citrate Salts From the People’s Republic of China

Requestor: The Chemical Company; acetyl tributyl citrate is not within the scope of the antidumping and countervailing duty orders; November 19, 2012.

A–570–967/C–570–968: Aluminum Extrusions From the People’s Republic of China

Requestor: A.O. Smith Corporation; aluminum anodes for water heaters are not within the scope of the antidumping duty and countervailing duty orders; October 17, 2012.

Requestor: Innovative Controls Inc.; side mount valve controls are not within the scope of the antidumping duty and countervailing duty orders; October 26, 2012.

Requestor: Clenergy (Xianen) Technology Co. Ltd. (“Clenergy”); Clenergy’s solar panel mounting systems are not within the scope of the antidumping duty and countervailing duty orders; October 31, 2012.

Requestor: Valeo Group and its affiliates; certain aluminum inlet parts for automotive heating and cooling systems are within the scope of the antidumping duty and countervailing duty orders; October 31, 2012.

Requestor: Plasticoid Manufacturing Inc.; certain finished aluminum rails for cutting and marking straight edges are within the scope of the antidumping duty and countervailing duty orders; November 13, 2012.

Requestor: Signetex Lighting, Inc.; aluminum mounting plates are within the scope of the antidumping duty and countervailing duty orders; November 14, 2012.

Requestor: UQM Technologies Inc.; certain assembled motor cases are within the scope of the antidumping duty and countervailing duty orders; certain assembled motor cases in stators are not within the scope of the antidumping duty and countervailing duty orders; November 19, 2012.

Requestor: Northern California Glass Management Association and the Curtain Wall Coalition; curtain wall units and other parts and components of curtain walls are within the scope of the antidumping duty and countervailing duty orders; November 30, 2012.

Requestor: Meridian Products LLC; certain refrigerator/freezer trim kits are within the scope of the antidumping duty and countervailing duty orders; December 19 2012.

A–570–504: Petroleum Wax Candles From the People’s Republic of China

Requestor: Signature Brands, LLC; 17 of its birthday candles are within the scope of the antidumping duty order; five of its birthday candle models are not within the scope of the antidumping duty order; preliminary ruling October 5, 2012.

Taiwan

A–583–843: Polyethylene Retail Carrier Bags From Taiwan

Requestor: SmileMakers, Inc.; its model Item #TSHIP bag is within the scope of the antidumping duty order; November 19, 2012.

Multiple Countries


Requestor: Dufierco Steel Inc.; its tap hole sleeve systems are not within the scope of the antidumping and countervailing duty orders; October 31, 2012.

Anticircumvention Determinations Made Between October 1, 2012, and December 31, 2012:

People’s Republic of China

A–570–836: Glycine From the People’s Republic of China

Requestor: GEO Specialty Chemicals, Inc. and Chattem Chemicals, Inc.; all glycine produced and/or exported by AICO Laboratories India Ltd. and Salvi Chemical Industries Limited is circumventing the antidumping duty order; December 10, 2012.

A–570–932: Certain Steel Threaded Rod From the People’s Republic of China

Requestor: Vulcan Threaded Products, Inc.; certain steel threaded rod containing greater than 1.25 percent chromium exported by Gem-Year Industrial Co. Ltd., is circumventing the
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

RIN 0648–XC600

Magnuson-Stevens Act Provisions; General Provisions for Domestic Fisheries; Application for Exempted Fishing Permits

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

ACTION: Notice; request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Assistant Regional Administrator for Sustainable Fisheries, Northeast Region, NMFS (Assistant Regional Administrator), has made a preliminary determination that an exempted fishing permit application contains all of the required information and warrants further consideration. This exempted fishing permit would exempt commercial fishing vessels from the prohibition on landing unshucked surfclams into any container other than a standard surfclam/ocean quahog cage, and would allow project participants to test alternatives to the industry standard cage used in the Atlantic surfclam fishery. The research would be coordinated by the Cape Cod Commercial Hook Fishermen’s Association.

Regulations under the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act require publication of this notification to provide interested parties the opportunity to comment on applications for proposed exempted fishing permit.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before June 14, 2013.

ADDRESSES: You may submit written comments by any of the following methods:

• Email: nero.efp@noaa.gov. Include in the subject line “Comments on CCCHFA Atlantic surfclam EFP.”
• Mail: John K. Bullard, Regional Administrator, NMFS, NE Regional Office, 55 Great Republic Drive, Gloucester, MA 01930. Mark the outside of the envelope “Comments on CCCHFA Atlantic surfclam EFP.”
• Fax: (978) 281–9135.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jason Berthiaume, Fishery Management Specialist, (978) 281–9177, Jason.Berthiaume@noaa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Cape Cod Commercial Hook Fishermen’s Association (CCCHFA) submitted a complete application for an exempted fishing permit on May 14, 2013, to conduct commercial fishing activities that the regulations would otherwise restrict. The Exempted Fishing Permit (EFP) would authorize up to three vessels to research the feasibility of a day-boat Atlantic surfclam fishery for smaller vessels based out of Cape Cod by testing alternatives to the large industry-standard cages and 32-bu (1,703.68 L) cage tags. The traditional cages do not fit on smaller day-boats, and as a result, vessels not capable of carrying a cage onboard must offload directly into cages. The applicant stated that offloading into cages can be burdensome and dangerous and the extra handling and the compression of clams in the bottom of the cage can lead to damaged product. The CCCHFA proposes to explore the use of smaller containers that would result in less damaged product, thus creating a market for a lower volume, high quality product.

In addition, the applicant seeks to devise a means for tagging and quantifying cage equivalents. The Atlantic surfclam fishery manages quota allocations by using a tagging system, with each tag representing 32 bu (1,703.68 L) of allocation, or one cage. In addition to managing allocations, the tagging requirement is also important to maintain product chain of custody to allow harvested product to be tracked and disposed of, in the event the shellfish are harvested from contaminated waters and are determined to not be fit for human consumption. For these reasons, every cage containing surfclams must remain tagged from when the clams are first offloaded to the point of final disposition. Because this exempted fishing permit would exempt the cage requirements, by default the cage-tagging requirements would not be applicable. However, because tags are essential to carrying out the surfclam fishery, the applicants would work with NMFS and the National Band and Tag Company to convert standard cage tags into single-bushel tags to ensure all product harvested would be tagged. To allow for the flexibility to test a variety of experimental cage alternatives, 1-bu (53.24–L) tags would be developed and utilized on all cage alternatives.

Surfclams would be landed in bushel increments using standardized fishery bushel methodology. Participants propose to test the viability of three different cage alternatives:

1. Standardized shellfish bag (1 bu (53.24 L));
2. Standardized stackable fish tote (1 bu (53.24 L)); and
3. Standardized fish vat (used for skates and dogfish) (16 bu (851.84 L)).

Standardized shellfish bags and stackable fish totes would each hold 1 bu (53.24 L) and be tagged with a 1-bu (53.24–L) tag. The standardized fish vat measures nearly 16 bu (851.84 L), and would be tagged with no fewer than sixteen, 1-bu (53.24–L) tags. The shellfish bags and fish totes would be further constrained to weigh no more than 89 lb (40.4 kg), the standard weight equivalent of a single bushel of clams. Quota and tags would be tracked using methods consistent with the standard Atlantic surfclam fishery reporting requirements. All Atlantic surfclams would be sold to federally permitted dealers. In addition, when offloading to the dealer, weight samples would be taken to verify weights as to further develop the experimental containers.

The target species would be Atlantic surfclam, with some possible landings of stinson’s clams. All clams caught would be sold and would be applied against the CCCHFA quota allocation of 31,136 bu (1.6 million L). A 4-ft (122-cm) hydraulic clam dredge would be used on 30–40, 15-min tows, on up to 150 trips. The research would be conducted from June through October, in Federal waters surrounding Nantucket Island within 30 mi (48 km) of shore.

If approved, the applicant may request minor modifications and extensions to the EFP throughout the year. EFP modifications and extensions may be granted without further notice if they are deemed essential to facilitate completion of the proposed research and have minimal impacts that do not change the scope or impact of the initially approved EFP request. Any fishing activity conducted outside the...