

**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE****Bureau of Industry and Security****Materials Processing Equipment Technical Advisory Committee; Notice of Partially Closed Meeting**

The Materials Processing Equipment Technical Advisory Committee (MPETAC) will meet on August 20, 2013, 9:00 a.m., Room 3884, in the Herbert C. Hoover Building, 14th Street between Pennsylvania and Constitution Avenues NW., Washington, DC. The Committee advises the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Export Administration with respect to technical questions that affect the level of export controls applicable to materials processing equipment and related technology.

**Agenda***Open Session*

1. Opening remarks and introductions.
2. Presentation of papers and comments by the Public.
3. Discussions on results from last, and proposals for next Wassenaar meeting.
4. Report on proposed and recently issued changes to the Export Administration Regulations.
5. Other business.

*Closed Session*

6. Discussion of matters determined to be exempt from the provisions relating to public meetings found in 5 U.S.C. app. 2 §§ 10(a)(1) and 10(a)(3).

The open session will be accessible via teleconference to 20 participants on a first come, first serve basis. To join the conference, submit inquiries to Ms. Yvette Springer at [Yvette.Springer@bis.doc.gov](mailto:Yvette.Springer@bis.doc.gov), no later than August 13, 2013.

A limited number of seats will be available for the public session. Reservations are not accepted. To the extent that time permits, members of the public may present oral statements to the Committee. The public may submit written statements at any time before or after the meeting. However, to facilitate the distribution of public presentation materials to the Committee members, the Committee suggests that presenters forward the public presentation materials prior to the meeting to Ms. Springer via email.

The Assistant Secretary for Administration, with the concurrence of the delegate of the General Counsel, formally determined on February 20, 2013, pursuant to Section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as

amended (5 U.S.C. app. 2 § 10(d)), that the portion of the meeting dealing with matters the premature disclosure of which would be likely to frustrate significantly implementation of a proposed agency action as described in 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(9)(B) shall be exempt from the provisions relating to public meetings found in 5 U.S.C. app. 2 §§ 10(a)(1) and 10(a)(3). The remaining portions of the meeting will be open to the public.

For more information, call Yvette Springer at (202) 482-2813.

Dated: July 11, 2013.

**Yvette Springer,**

*Committee Liaison Officer.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE****International Trade Administration**

[A-570-908]

**Sodium Hexametaphosphate From the People's Republic of China: Continuation of Antidumping Duty Order**

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

**SUMMARY:** As a result of the determinations by the Department of Commerce (the "Department") and the International Trade Commission (the "ITC") that revocation of the antidumping duty order on sodium hexametaphosphate ("sodium hex") from the People's Republic of China ("PRC") 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:* July 17, 2013.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Paul Walker, 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: 202.482.0413.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:****Background**

On February 1, 2013, the Department initiated a sunset review of the antidumping duty order on sodium hex from the PRC, pursuant to section 751(c) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the "Act").<sup>1</sup> As a result of its review,

<sup>1</sup> See *Initiation of Five-Year ("Sunset") Review*, 78 FR 7400 (February 1, 2013).

the Department determined that revocation of the antidumping duty order on sodium hex from the PRC would likely lead to a continuation or recurrence of dumping and, therefore, notified the ITC of the magnitude of the margins likely to prevail should the order be revoked.<sup>2</sup> On July 5, 2013, the ITC published its determination, pursuant to section 751(c) of the Act, that revocation of the antidumping duty order on sodium hex from the PRC would likely lead to a continuation or recurrence of material injury to an industry in the United States within a reasonably foreseeable time.<sup>3</sup>

*Scope of the Order*

The merchandise subject to the order is sodium hexametaphosphate. Sodium hexametaphosphate is a water-soluble polyphosphate glass that consists of a distribution of polyphosphate chain lengths. It is a collection of sodium polyphosphate polymers built on repeating NaPO<sub>3</sub> units. Sodium hexametaphosphate has a P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> content from 60 to 71 percent. Alternate names for sodium hexametaphosphate include the following: Calgon; Calgon S; Glassy Sodium Phosphate; Sodium Polyphosphate, Glassy; Metaphosphoric Acid; Sodium Salt; Sodium Acid Metaphosphate; Graham's Salt; Sodium Hex; Polyphosphoric Acid, Sodium Salt; Glass H; Hexaphos; Sodaphos; Vitrafos; and BAC-N-FOS. Sodium hexametaphosphate is typically sold as a white powder or granule (crushed) and may also be sold in the form of sheets (glass) or as a liquid solution. It is imported under heading 2835.39.5000, Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States ("HTSUS"). It may also be imported as a blend or mixture under heading 3824.90.3900, HTSUS. The American Chemical Society, Chemical Abstract Service ("CAS") has assigned the name "Polyphosphoric Acid, Sodium Salt" to sodium hexametaphosphate. The CAS registry number is 68915-31-1. However, sodium hexametaphosphate is commonly identified by CAS No. 10124-56-8 in the market. For purposes of the order, the narrative description is dispositive, not the tariff heading, CAS registry number or CAS name.

The product covered by the order includes sodium hexametaphosphate in

<sup>2</sup> See *Sodium Hexametaphosphate from the People's Republic of China: Final Results of Expedited First Sunset Review of the Antidumping Duty Order*, 78 FR 34989 (June 11, 2013).

<sup>3</sup> See *Sodium Hexametaphosphate from China: Determination*, 78 FR 40505 (July 5, 2013); see also *Sodium Hexametaphosphate from China: Investigation No. 731-TA-1110*, USITC Publication 4410 (June 2013).