

INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

[Investigation Nos. 701-TA-498 and 731-TA-1213-1214 (Preliminary)]

Certain Steel Threaded Rod From India and Thailand

Determinations

On the basis of the record¹ developed in the subject investigations, the United States International Trade Commission (Commission) determines, pursuant to sections 703(a) and 733(a) of the Tariff Act of 1930 (19 U.S.C. 1671b(a) and 1673b(a)) (the Act), that there is a reasonable indication that an industry in the United States is materially injured by reason of imports from India and Thailand of certain steel threaded rod, provided for primarily in subheading 7318.15.50 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States, that are alleged to be sold in the United States at less than fair value (LTFV) and subsidized by the Government of India.

Commencement of Final Phase Investigations

Pursuant to section 207.18 of the Commission's rules, the Commission also gives notice of the commencement of the final phase of its investigations. The Commission will issue a final phase notice of scheduling, which will be published in the **Federal Register** as provided in section 207.21 of the Commission's rules, upon notice from the Department of Commerce (Commerce) of affirmative preliminary determinations in the investigations under sections 703(b) or 733(b) of the Act, or, if the preliminary determinations are negative, upon notice of affirmative final determinations in those investigations under sections 705(a) or 735(a) of the Act. Parties that filed entries of appearance in the preliminary phase of the investigations need not enter a separate appearance for the final phase of the investigations. Industrial users, and, if the merchandise under investigation is sold at the retail level, representative consumer organizations have the right to appear as parties in Commission antidumping and countervailing duty investigations. The Secretary will prepare a public service list containing the names and addresses of all persons, or their representatives, who are parties to the investigations.

¹ The record is defined in sec. 207.2(f) of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (19 CFR 207.2(f)).

Background

On June 27, 2013, a petition was filed with the Commission and Commerce by All America Threaded Products Inc., Denver, Colorado; Bay Standard Manufacturing Inc., Brentwood, California; and Vulcan Threaded Products Inc., Pelham, Alabama, alleging that an industry in the United States is materially injured or threatened with material injury by reason of LTFV and subsidized imports of certain steel threaded rod from India and LTFV imports of certain steel threaded rod from Thailand. Accordingly, effective June 27, 2013, the Commission instituted countervailing duty investigation No. 701-TA-498 and antidumping duty investigation Nos. 731-TA-1213-1214 (Preliminary).

Notice of the institution of the Commission's investigations and of a public conference to be held in connection therewith was given by posting copies of the notice in the Office of the Secretary, U.S. International Trade Commission, Washington, DC, and by publishing the notice in the **Federal Register** of July 3, 2013 (78 FR 40170). The conference was held in Washington, DC, on July 18, 2013, and all persons who requested the opportunity were permitted to appear in person or by counsel.

The Commission transmitted its determinations in these investigations to the Secretary of Commerce on August 12, 2013. The views of the Commission are contained in USITC Publication 4420 (August 2013), entitled *Certain Steel Threaded Rod from India and Thailand: Investigation Nos. 701 TA-498 and 731-TA-1213-1214 (Preliminary)*.

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By order of the Commission.

Lisa R. Barton,

Acting Secretary to the Commission.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Executive Office for Immigration Review

[OMB Number 1125-NEW]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Proposed Collection; Comments Requested: Request by Organization for Accreditation of Non-Attorney Representative (Voluntary Form EOIR-31A)

ACTION: 60-Day notice.

The Department of Justice (DOJ), Executive Office for Immigration Review (EOIR) will be submitting the following voluntary information collection request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. The proposed information collection is published to obtain comments from the public and affected agencies. Comments are encouraged and will be accepted for "sixty days" until January 6, 2014. This process is conducted in accordance with 5 CFR 1320.10.

If you have comments, especially on the estimated public burden or associated response time, suggestions, or need a copy of the proposed information collection instrument with instructions or additional information, please contact Jeff Rosenblum, General Counsel, Executive Office for Immigration Review, U.S. Department of Justice, Suite 2600, 5107 Leesburg Pike, Falls Church, Virginia 20530; telephone: (703) 305-0470.

Written comments and suggestions from the public and affected agencies concerning the proposed collection of information are encouraged. Your comments should address one or more of the following four points:

- Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;
- Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who elect to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

Overview of this information collection:

(1) *Type of Information Collection:* New Voluntary Collection.

(2) *Title of the Form/Collection:* Request by Organization for Accreditation of Non-Attorney Representative.

(3) *Agency form number, if any, and the applicable component of the Department of Justice sponsoring the collection:* Form Number: EOIR-31A.