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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

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Carbon and Certain Alloy Steel Wire Rod From the People's Republic of China: Postponement of Preliminary Determination in the Countervailing Duty Investigation

AGENCY: Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Rebecca Trainor at (202) 482-4007 or Irene Darzenta Tzafolias at (202) 482-0922, AD/CVD Operations, Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20230.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On February 20, 2014, the Department of Commerce (the Department) initiated the countervailing duty (CVD) investigation of carbon and certain alloy steel wire rod (steel wire rod) from the People's Republic of China (PRC).¹ Currently, the preliminary determination is due no later than April 28, 2014.²

Postponement of Due Date for the Preliminary Determination

Section 703(b)(1) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act), requires the Department to issue the preliminary determination in a CVD investigation within 65 days after the date on which the Department initiated the investigation. However, the Department may postpone making the preliminary determination until no later than 130 days after the date on which the administering authority initiated the

¹ See *Carbon and Certain Alloy Steel Wire Rod from the People's Republic of China: Initiation of Countervailing Duty Investigation*, 79 FR 11085 (February 27, 2014) (*Initiation Notice*).

² The statutory deadline for the preliminary determination is Saturday, April 26, 2014. When the statutory deadline falls on a weekend, it is the Department's practice to issue the determination on the next business day, which in this case would be Monday, April 28, 2014. See *Notice of Clarification: Application of "Next Business Day" Rule for Administrative Determination Deadlines Pursuant to the Tariff Act of 1930, as Amended*, 70 FR 24533 (May 10, 2005).

investigation if, among other reasons, the petitioner makes a timely request for an extension pursuant to section 703(c)(1)(A) of the Act.

On March 31, 2014, the petitioner, Nucor Corporation (Nucor), timely requested that the Department postpone its preliminary CVD determination to 130 days from the initiation date.³

Pursuant to 703(c)(1)(A) of the Act and because the Department does not find any compelling reason to deny the request, we are extending the due date for the preliminary determination to no later than 130 days after the date on which this investigation was initiated, or June 30, 2014.

This notice is issued and published pursuant to section 703(c)(2) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.205(f)(1).

Dated: April 7, 2014.

Paul Piquado,

Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

Meeting of the Manufacturing Council

AGENCY: International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of an open meeting.

SUMMARY: The Manufacturing Council will hold a meeting on Tuesday, April 29, 2014, to discuss and deliberate on proposed recommendations addressing workforce development best practices; strategies to address misconceptions of manufacturing careers; innovation, research and development in manufacturing; and manufacturing energy policy. The Council will also hear an update from its subcommittee on tax policy and export growth. Additionally, the Council will receive updates from representatives of the U.S. government on the manufacturing initiatives taking place across federal agencies. A final agenda will be available on the Council's Web site one week prior to the meeting. The Council advises the Secretary of Commerce on government programs and policies that affect U.S. manufacturing and provide a means of ensuring regular contact between the U.S. Government and the manufacturing sector.

³ See 19 CFR 351.205(e) and Letter from Nucor, "Carbon and Certain Alloy Steel Wire Rod from the People's Republic of China: Request for Extension of Preliminary Determination" (March 31, 2014).

DATES: April 29, 2014, 10 a.m. Eastern Daylight Time (EDT).

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20230. Due to building security, all attendees must pre-register. This meeting will be physically accessible to people with disabilities. Seating is limited and will be on a first come, first served basis. Pre-registration and requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be submitted no later than Monday, April 21, 2014, to Elizabeth Emanuel, the Manufacturing Council, Room 4043, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20230, telephone 202-482-1369, elizabeth.emmanuel@trade.gov. Last minute requests will be accepted, but may be impossible to fill.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Elizabeth Emanuel, the Manufacturing Council, Room 4043, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20230, telephone: 202-482-1369, email: elizabeth.emmanuel@trade.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: A limited amount of time, from 12:45 p.m.-1 p.m., will be made available for pertinent brief oral comments from members of the public attending the meeting. To accommodate as many speakers as possible, the time for public comments will be limited to 5 minutes per person. Individuals wishing to reserve speaking time during the meeting must contact Ms. Emanuel and submit a brief statement of the general nature of the comments, as well as the name and address of the proposed speaker, by 5 p.m. EDT on Monday, April 21, 2014. If the number of registrants requesting to make statements is greater than can be reasonably accommodated during the meeting, the International Trade Administration may conduct a lottery to determine the speakers. Speakers are requested to bring at least 30 copies of their oral comments for distribution to the members of the Manufacturing Council and to the public at the meeting. Any member of the public may submit pertinent written comments concerning the Manufacturing Council's affairs at any time before or after the meeting. Comments may be submitted to Elizabeth Emanuel, the Manufacturing Council, Room 4043, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20230, telephone: 202-482-1369, email: elizabeth.emmanuel@trade.gov. To be considered during the meeting, written comments must be received by 5 p.m. EDT on Monday, April 21, 2014, to ensure transmission to the Manufacturing Council prior to the meeting. Comments received after