Appendix I

Scope of the Investigation

The scope of this investigation covers cold-drawn mechanical tubing of carbon and alloy steel (cold-drawn mechanical tubing) of circular cross-section, 304.8 mm or more in length, in actual outside diameters less than 331 mm, and regardless of wall thickness, surface finish, end finish or industry specification. The subject cold-drawn mechanical tubing is a tubular product with a circular cross-sectional shape that has been cold-drawn or otherwise cold-finished after the initial tube formation in a manner that involves a change in the diameter or wall thickness of the tubing, or both. The subject cold-drawn mechanical tubing may be produced from either welded (e.g., electric resistance welded, continuous welded, etc.) or seamless (e.g., pierced, pilgered or extruded, etc.) carbon or alloy steel tubular products. It may also be heat treated after cold working. Such heat treatments may include, but are not limited to, annealing, normalizing, quenching and tempering, stress relieving or finish annealing. Typical cold-drawing methods for subject merchandise include, but are not limited to, drawing over mandrel, rod drawing, plug drawing, sink drawing and similar processes that involve reducing the outside diameter of the tubing with a die or similar device, whether or not controlling the inside diameter of the tubing with an internal support device such as a mandrel, rod, plug or similar device. Other cold-finishing operations that may be used to produce subject merchandise include cold-rolling and cold-drawing of the tubing.

Subject cold-drawn mechanical tubing is typically certified to meet industry specifications for cold-drawn tubing including but not limited to:

(1) American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM) or American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME) specifications
   ASTM A–512, ASTM A–513 Type 3 (ASME SA513 Type 3), ASTM A–515 Type 4 (ASME SA515 Type 4), ASTM A–513 Type 5 (ASME SA513 Type 5), ASTM A–515 Type 6 (ASME SA515 Type 6), ASTM A–519 (cold-finished);
   (2) SAE International (Society of Automotive Engineers) specifications SAE J524, SAE J525, SAE J2833, SAE J2614, SAE J2467, SAE J2435, SAE J2613;
   (3) Aerospace Material Specification (AMS) standards AMS T–6736 (AMS 6736), AMS 6371, AMS 5050, AMS 5075, AMS 5062, AMS 6360, AMS 6361, AMS 6362, AMS 6371, AMS 6372, AMS 6374, AMS 6381, AMS 6415;
   (5) foreign standards equivalent to one of the previously listed ASTM, ASME, SAE, AMS or MIL specifications including but not limited to:
      (a) German Institute for Standardization (DIN) specifications DIN 2391–2, DIN 2393–2, DIN 2394–2;
      (b) European Standards (EN) EN 10305–1, EN 10305–2, EN 10305–4, EN 10305–6 and European national variations on those standards (e.g., British Standard (BS EN), Irish Standard (IS EN) and German Standard (DIN EN) variations, etc.);
      (c) Japanese Industrial Standard (JIS) JIS G 3441 and JIS G 3445; and
      (6) proprietary standards that are based on one of the above-listed standards.

The subject cold-drawn mechanical tubing may also be dual or multiple certified to meet more than one standard. Pipe that is multiple certified as cold-drawn mechanical tubing and to other specifications not covered by this scope, is also covered by the scope of this investigation when it meets the physical description set forth above.

Steel products included in the scope of this investigation are products in which: (1) Iron predominates, by weight, over each of the other contained elements; and (2) the carbon content is 2 percent or less by weight. For purposes of this scope, the place of cold-drawing determines the country of origin of the subject merchandise. Subject merchandise that is subject to minor working in a third country that occurs after drawing in one of the subject countries including, but not limited to, heat treatment, cutting to length, straightening, non-destructive testing, deburring or chamfering, remains within the scope of this investigation.

All products that meet the written physical description are within the scope of this investigation unless specifically excluded or covered by the scope of an existing order. Merchandise that meets the physical description of cold-drawn mechanical tubing above is within the scope of the investigation even if it is also dual or multiple certified to an otherwise excluded specification listed below. The following products are outside of, and/or specifically excluded from, the scope of this investigation:

(1) cold-drawn stainless steel tubing, containing 10.5 percent or more of chromium by weight and not more than 1.2 percent of carbon by weight;
(2) products certified to one or more of the ASTM, ASME or American Petroleum Institute (API) specifications listed below:
   • ASTM A–53;
   • ASTM A–106;
   • ASTM A–179 (ASME SA 179);
   • ASTM A–192 (ASME SA 192);
   • ASTM A–209 (ASME SA 209);
   • ASTM A–210 (ASME SA 210);
   • ASTM A–213 (ASME SA 213);
   • ASTM A–334 (ASME SA 334);
   • ASTM A–423 (ASME SA 423);
   • ASTM A–498;
   • ASTM A–496 (ASME SA 496);
   • ASTM A–199;
   • ASTM A–500;

Appendix II

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

Environmental Technologies Trade Advisory Committee (ETTAC) Public Meeting

AGENCY: International Trade Administration, DOC.

ACTION: Notice of an Open Meeting of a Federal Advisory Committee.

SUMMARY: This notice sets forth the schedule and proposed agenda of a meeting of the Environmental Technologies Trade Advisory Committee (ETTAC).

DATES: The teleconference meeting is scheduled for Monday, April 30, 2018 from 1:00 p.m.–3:00 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time (EDT). The deadline for members of the public to register or to submit written comments for dissemination prior to the teleconference is 5:00 p.m. EDT on Monday, April 23, 2018. The deadline for members of the public to request auxiliary aids is 5:00 p.m. EDT on Monday, April 23, 2018.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will take place via teleconference. The address to register and obtain call-in information; submit comments; or request auxiliary aids is: Ms. Tracy Cerstile, Office of Energy & Environmental Industries (OEI), International Trade
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
International Trade Administration

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Certain Cold-Drawn Mechanical Tubing of Carbon and Alloy Steel From Switzerland: Final Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value

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

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce (Commerce) determines that certain cold-drawn mechanical tubing of carbon and alloy steel (cold-drawn mechanical tubing) from Switzerland is being, or is likely to be, sold in the United States at less than fair value (LTFV). The final estimated weighted-average dumping margins of sales at LTFV are listed below in the section entitled “Final Determination.” The period of investigation (POI) is April 1, 2016, through March 31, 2017.


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On November 22, 2017, Commerce published the Preliminary Determination of sales at LTFV of cold-drawn mechanical tubing from Switzerland,1 and on January 3, 2018, we published an Amended Preliminary Determination.2 The petitioners in this investigation are ArcelorMittal Tubular Products, Michigan Seamless Tube, LLC, Plymouth Tube Co. USA, PTC Alliance Corp., Webco Industries, Inc. and Zekelman Industries, Inc. (collectively, the petitioners). The mandatory respondents in this investigation are Benteler Rothrist AG (Benteler Rothrist) and Mubea Präzisionstahlrohr AG (MPST) and Mubea Inc. (collectively, Mubea). A complete summary of the events that occurred since Commerce published the Preliminary Determination, as well as a full discussion of the issues raised by parties for this final determination, may be found in the Issues and Decision Memorandum.3

The Issues and Decision Memorandum is a public document and is available electronically via Enforcement and Compliance’s Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Centralized Electronic Service System (ACCESS). Access is available to registered users at https://access.trade.gov and to all parties in the Central Records Unit, Room B–8024 of Commerce’s main building. In addition, a complete version of the Issues and Decision Memorandum can be accessed at http://enforcement.trade.gov/frn/. The signed Issues and Decision Memorandum and electronic version are identical in content.

1 See Cold-Drawn Mechanical Tubing from Switzerland: Preliminary Affirmative Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value, 82 FR 55571 (November 22, 2017) (Preliminary Determination) and accompanying memorandum, “Decision Memorandum for the Preliminary Determination in the Less-Than-Fair-Value Investigation of Cold-Drawn Mechanical Tubing of Carbon and Alloy Steel from Switzerland” (Preliminary Decision Memorandum). See also Certain Cold-Drawn Mechanical Tubing of Carbon and Alloy Steel from Switzerland: Amended Preliminary Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value, 82 FR 346 (January 3, 2018) (Amended Preliminary Determination); Memorandum, “Analysis Memorandum for the Amended Preliminary Determination of the Antidumping Duty Investigation of Certain Cold-Drawn Mechanical Tubing of Carbon and Alloy Steel (Cold Drawn Mechanical Tubing) from Switzerland: Benteler Rothrist AG (Benteler Rothrist),” dated December 21, 2017 (Benteler Rothrist’s Ministerial Error Memorandum); and, Memorandum, “Antidumping Duty Investigation of Certain Cold-Drawn Mechanical Tubing of Carbon and Alloy Steel from Switzerland: Ministerial Error Allegations in the Preliminary Determination,” dated December 21, 2017 (Mubea’s Ministerial Error Memorandum).


3 See Memorandum, “Issues and Decision Memorandum for the Final Determination in the Antidumping Duty Investigation of Certain Cold-Drawn Mechanical Tubing of Carbon and Alloy Steel from Switzerland,” dated concurrently with this determination and hereby adopted by this notice (Issues and Decision Memorandum).