

provision of complimentary hotel accommodations for DOC staff as explained in the MOA. ITA responsibilities include targeted promotion of the trade show and, where feasible, recruitment of international buyers to that show from up to five target markets identified, provision of on-site export assistance to U.S. exhibitors at the show, and the reporting of results to the show organizer.

Selection as an IBP Select show does not constitute a guarantee by DOC of the show's success. IBP Select selection is not an endorsement of the show except as to its international buyer activities. Non-selection of an applicant for IBP Select status should not be viewed as a determination that the show will not be successful in promoting U.S. exports.

**Eligibility:** U.S. trade shows taking place between April 1, 2019, and September 30, 2019, with 1,350 or fewer exhibitors are eligible to apply, through the show organizer, for IBP Select participation. First-time shows will also be considered.

**Exclusions:** U.S. trade shows with over 1,350 exhibitors will not be considered for IBP Select. Trade shows that take place October 1, 2019, through December 31, 2019, will not be considered at this time. IBP Select has already selected shows for quarter 1 (January 1–March 31) of calendar year 2019.

**General Evaluation Criteria:** ITA will evaluate applicants for IBP Select using the following criteria:

(a) **Export Potential:** The trade show promotes products and services from U.S. industries that have high export potential, as determined by DOC sources, including industry analysts' assessment of export potential, ITA best prospects lists, and U.S. export analysis.

(b) **Level of International Interest:** The trade show meets the needs of a significant number of overseas markets and corresponds to marketing opportunities as identified by ITA. Previous international attendance at the show may be used as an indicator.

(c) **Scope of the Show:** The show must offer a broad spectrum of U.S. made products and services for the subject industry. Trade shows with a majority of U.S. firms as exhibitors are given priority.

(d) **U.S. Content of Show Exhibitors:** Trade shows with exhibitors featuring a high percentage of products produced in the United States or products with a high degree of U.S. content will be preferred.

(e) **Stature of the Show:** The trade show is clearly recognized by the industry it covers as a leading show for the promotion of that industry's

products and services both domestically and internationally, and as a showplace for the latest technology or services in that industry.

(f) **Level of Exhibitor Interest:** There is significant interest on the part of U.S. exhibitors in receiving international business visitors during the trade show. A significant number of U.S. exhibitors should be new-to-export or seeking to expand their sales into additional export markets.

(g) **Level of Overseas Marketing:** There has been a demonstrated effort by the applicant to market prior shows overseas. In addition, the applicant should describe in detail the international marketing program to be conducted for the show, and explain how efforts should increase individual and group international attendance.

(h) **Level of Cooperation:** The applicant demonstrates a willingness to cooperate with ITA to fulfill the program's goals and adhere to the target dates set out in the MOA and in the show timetables, both of which are available from the program office (see the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section above). Past experience in the IBP will be taken into account in evaluating the applications received.

(i) **Delegation Incentives:** Waived or reduced (by at least 50% off lowest price) admission fees are required for international attendees who are participating in IBP Select. Delegation leaders also must be provided complimentary admission to the show. In addition, show organizers should offer a range of incentives to delegations and/or delegation leaders recruited by the DOC overseas posts. Examples of incentives to international visitors and to organized delegations include: special organized events, such as receptions, meetings with association executives, briefings, and site tours; or complimentary accommodations for delegation leaders.

**Review Process:** ITA will evaluate all applications received based on the criteria set out in this notice. Vetting will focus primarily on the export potential, level of international interest, and stature of the show. In reviewing applications, ITA will also consider scheduling and sector balance in terms of the need to allocate resources to support selected shows.

**Application Requirements:** Show organizers submitting applications for quarters 2 and 3 of calendar year 2019 IBP Select are required to submit: (1) A narrative statement addressing each question in the application, OMB 0625–0143 (found at [www.export.gov/ibp](http://www.export.gov/ibp)); and (2) a signed statement that “The information submitted in this

application is correct and the applicant will abide by the terms set forth in this Call for Applications for the International Buyer Program Select (April 1, 2019, through September 30, 2019);” on or before the deadline noted above. Applications for IBP Select must be received by October 5, 2018. There is no fee required to apply. ITA expects to issue the results of this process in October 2018.

**Legal Authority:** The statutory program authority for ITA to conduct the IBP is 15 U.S.C. 4724. ITA has the legal authority to enter into MOAs with show organizers under the provisions of the Mutual Educational and Cultural Exchange Act of 1961 (MECEA), as amended (22 U.S.C. 2455(f) and 2458(c)). MECEA allows ITA to accept contributions of funds and services from firms for the purposes of furthering its mission.

The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) has approved the information collection requirements of the application to this program (0625–0143) under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*) (OMB Control No. 0625–0143). Notwithstanding any other provision of law, no person is required to respond to, nor shall a person be subject to a penalty for failure to comply with, a collection of information subject to the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act, unless that collection of information displays a currently valid OMB Control Number.

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### International Trade Administration

[A–533–883, A–588–878, and A–549–837]

#### Glycine From India, Japan, and Thailand: Postponement of Preliminary Determinations in the Less-Than-Fair-Value Investigations

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

**DATES:** Applicable August 21, 2018.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Edythe Artman at (202) 482–3931 (India); Madeline Heeren at (202) 482–9179 (Japan); Brian Smith at (202) 482–1766 (Thailand), AD/CVD Operations,

Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20230.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Background**

On April 17, 2018, the Department of Commerce (Commerce) initiated less-than-fair-value (LTFV) investigations of imports of glycine from India, Japan, and Thailand.<sup>1</sup> Currently, the preliminary determinations are due no later than September 4, 2018.

**Postponement of Preliminary Determinations**

Section 733(b)(1)(A) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act), requires Commerce to issue the preliminary determination in an LTFV investigation within 140 days after the date on which Commerce initiated the investigation. However, section 733(c)(1)(A) of the Act permits Commerce to postpone the preliminary determination until no later than 190 days after the date on which Commerce initiated the investigation if: (A) The petitioner makes a timely request for a postponement; or (B) Commerce concludes that the parties concerned are cooperating, that the investigation is extraordinarily complicated, and that additional time is necessary to make a preliminary determination. Under 19 CFR 351.205(e), the petitioner must submit a request for postponement 25 days or more before the scheduled date of the preliminary determination and must state the reasons for the request. Commerce will grant the request unless it finds compelling reasons to deny the request.

On June 28, 2018, the petitioners<sup>2</sup> submitted a timely request that Commerce postpone the preliminary determinations in these LTFV investigations.<sup>3</sup> The petitioners stated that they request postponement to provide adequate time for Commerce to issue supplemental questionnaires, receive responses, and consider rebuttal comments.<sup>4</sup>

For the reasons stated above and because there are no compelling reasons to deny the request, Commerce, in accordance with section 733(c)(1)(A) of

the Act, is postponing the deadline for the preliminary determinations by 50 days (*i.e.*, 190 days after the date on which these investigations were initiated). As a result, Commerce will issue its preliminary determinations no later than October 24, 2018. In accordance with section 735(a)(1) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.210(b)(1), the deadline for the final determinations of these investigations will continue to be 75 days after the date of the preliminary determinations, unless postponed at a later date.

This notice is issued and published pursuant to section 733(c)(2) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.205(f)(1).

Dated: August 14, 2018.

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*Deputy Assistant Secretary for Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Operations, performing the non-exclusive functions and duties of the Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

**International Trade Administration**

[C-533-870]

**Certain Pneumatic Off-the-Road Tires From India: Rescission of Countervailing Duty Administrative Review; 2016-2017**

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

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Commerce (Commerce) is rescinding the administrative review of the countervailing duty (CVD) order on certain pneumatic off-the-road tires (OTR tires) from India for the period June 20, 2016, through December 31, 2017.

**DATES:** Applicable August 21, 2018.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Gene H. Calvert, AD/CVD Operations, Office VII, Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482-3586.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Background**

On March 5, 2018, Commerce published a notice of opportunity to request an administrative review of the CVD order on OTR tires from India for the period of review (POR) June 20,

2016, through December 31, 2017.<sup>1</sup> Commerce received timely-filed requests to conduct an administrative review of the CVD order from ATC Tires Private Limited (ATC) and Balkrishna Industries Limited (Balkrishna).<sup>2</sup> Based on these requests, and in accordance with section 751(A) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act), on May 2, 2018, Commerce initiated an administrative review of the CVD order on OTR tires from India.<sup>3</sup> On May 24, 2018, and June 12, 2018, Balkrishna and ATC, respectively, each timely withdrew its request for an administrative review.<sup>4</sup> No other party requested an administrative review.

**Rescission of Review**

Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.213(d)(1), Commerce will rescind an administrative review, in whole or in part, if the party, or parties, that requested the review withdraw(s) its request(s) for review within 90 days of the date of publication of the notice of initiation of the requested review. In this case, both Balkrishna and ATC each timely withdrew its request for review within the 90-day deadline, and no other party requested an administrative review of the CVD order. Therefore, in accordance with 19 CFR 351.213(d)(1), Commerce is rescinding this administrative review in its entirety.

**Assessment**

Commerce will instruct U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) to assess countervailing duties on all appropriate entries. Because Commerce is rescinding this administrative review in its entirety, entries of OTR tires from India during the period June 20, 2016, through December 31, 2017, shall be assessed countervailing duties at rates equal to the cash deposit of estimated countervailing duties required at the time of entry, or withdrawal from warehouse, for consumption, in

<sup>1</sup> See *Antidumping or Countervailing Duty Order, Finding, or Suspended Investigation; Opportunity To Request Administrative Review*, 83 FR 9284 (March 5, 2018).

<sup>2</sup> See Letter from ATC, "Certain New Pneumatic Off-the-Road Tires from India: ATC Tires Private Limited's Request for Administrative Review," dated March 30, 2018, and Letter from Balkrishna, "Certain New Pneumatic Off-the-Road Tires from India: Request for Administrative Review of Balkrishna Industries Limited," dated April 2, 2018.

<sup>3</sup> See *Initiation of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Administrative Reviews*, 83 FR 19215 (May 2, 2018).

<sup>4</sup> See Letter from Balkrishna, "Certain New Pneumatic Off-the-Road Tires from India: Withdrawal of Request for Review for Balkrishna Industries Limited," dated May 24, 2018, and Letter from ATC, "Certain New Pneumatic Off-the-Road Tires from India: ATC Tires Private Limited's Withdrawal of Request for Administrative Review," dated June 12, 2018.

<sup>1</sup> See *Glycine from India, Japan, and Thailand: Initiation of Less-Than-Fair-Value Investigations*, 83 FR 17995 (April 25, 2018) (*Initiation Notice*).

<sup>2</sup> The petitioners are GEO Specialty Chemicals, Inc. and Chatterm Chemicals, Inc.

<sup>3</sup> See Letter from the petitioners titled "Glycine from India, Japan and Thailand: Request to Extend Deadline for Preliminary Determinations," dated June 28, 2018.

<sup>4</sup> *Id.*