

INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

[Investigation Nos. 701-TA-590 and 731-TA-1397 (Final)]

Sodium Gluconate, Gluconic Acid, and Derivative Products From China

Determinations

On the basis of the record¹ developed in the subject investigations, the United States International Trade Commission (“Commission”) determines, pursuant to the Tariff Act of 1930 (“the Act”), that an industry in the United States is materially injured by reason of imports of Sodium Gluconate, Gluconic Acid, and Derivative Products from China, provided for in subheadings 2918.16.10, 2918.16.50, and 2932.20.50 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States, that have been found by the U.S. Department of Commerce (“Commerce”) to be sold in the United States at less than fair value (“LTFV”), and to be subsidized by the government of China.

Background

The Commission, pursuant to sections 705(b) and 735(b) of the Act (19 U.S.C. 1671d(b) and 19 U.S.C. 1673d(b)), instituted these investigations effective November 30, 2017, following receipt of a petition filed with the Commission and Commerce by PMP Fermentation Products (“PMP”), Inc., Peoria, Illinois. The final phase of the investigations was scheduled by the Commission following notification of preliminary determinations by Commerce that imports of Sodium Gluconate, Gluconic Acid, and Derivative Products from China were subsidized within the meaning of section 703(b) of the Act (19 U.S.C. 1671b(b)) and sold at LTFV within the meaning of 733(b) of the Act (19 U.S.C. 1673b(b)). Notice of the scheduling of the final phase of the Commission’s investigations and of a public hearing 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** on July 18, 2018 (83 FR 33944). The hearing was held in Washington, DC, on September 18, 2018, and all persons who requested the opportunity were permitted to appear in person or by counsel.

The Commission made these determinations pursuant to sections 705(b) and 735(b) of the Act (19 U.S.C.

1671d(b) and 19 U.S.C. 1673d(b)). It completed and filed its determinations in these investigations on October 31, 2018. The views of the Commission are contained in USITC Publication 4834 (October 2018), entitled *Sodium Gluconate, Gluconic Acid, and Derivative Products from China: Investigation Nos. 701-TA-590 and 731-TA-1397 (Final)*.

By order of the Commission.

Issued: November 1, 2018.

Lisa Barton,

Secretary to the Commission.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Antitrust Division

Notice Pursuant to the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993—Medical CBRN Defense Consortium

Notice is hereby given that, on October 16, 2018, pursuant to Section 6(a) of the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993, 15 U.S.C. 4301 *et seq.* (“the Act”), Medical CBRN Defense Consortium (“MCDC”) has filed written notifications simultaneously with the Attorney General and the Federal Trade Commission disclosing changes in its membership. The notifications were filed for the purpose of extending the Act’s provisions limiting the recovery of antitrust plaintiffs to actual damages under specified circumstances. Specifically, Allegheny-Singer Research Institute DBA AHN Institute, Pittsburgh, PA; Allotropic Tech, Halethorpe, MD; ASELL LLC, Owings Mills, MD; Clear Scientific LLC, Cambridge, MA; FLIR Detection, Inc., Stillwater, OK; FORGE Life Sciences, LLC, Doylestown, PA; IDBiologics, Inc., Nashville, TN; ImmPORT Therapeutics Inc. DBA Antigen Discovery Inc., Irvine, CA; Polo Custom Products, Topeka, KS; SIGA Technologies, Inc., New York, NY; The Albert Sabin Vaccine Institute, Inc. DBA Sabin Vaccine Institute, Washington, DC; VenatoRx Pharmaceuticals, Inc., Malvern, PA; and Windgap Medical, Inc., Watertown, MA, have been added as parties to this venture.

Also, Artificial Cell Technologies, Inc., New Haven, CT; Celdara Medical, LLC, Lebanon, NH; HORIBA Instruments, Inc., Edison, NY; Macromoltek, Austin, TX; Philips Healthcare, Andover, MA; Phosphorex Inc., Hopkinton, MA; PPD Development LP, Wilmington, NC; Sequoia

Consulting Group, LLC, Lake Forest, CA; and University of Tennessee, Knoxville, TN, have withdrawn as parties to this venture.

No other changes have been made in either the membership or planned activity of the group research project. Membership in this group research project remains open, and MCDC intends to file additional written notifications disclosing all changes in membership.

On November 13, 2015, MCDC filed its original notification pursuant to Section 6(a) of the Act. The Department of Justice published a notice in the **Federal Register** pursuant to Section 6(b) of the Act on January 6, 2016 (81 FR 513).

The last notification was filed with the Department on August 3, 2018. A notice was published in the *Federal Register* pursuant to Section 6(b) of the Act on August 24, 2018 (83 FR 42940).

Suzanne Morris,

Chief, Premerger and Division Statistics Unit, Antitrust Division.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Antitrust Division

Notice Pursuant to the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993—National Spectrum Consortium

Notice is hereby given that, on October 29, 2018, pursuant to Section 6(a) of the National Cooperative Research and Production Act of 1993, 15 U.S.C. 4301 *et seq.* (“the Act”), National Spectrum Consortium (“NSC”) has filed written notifications simultaneously with the Attorney General and the Federal Trade Commission disclosing changes in its membership. The notifications were filed for the purpose of extending the Act’s provisions limiting the recovery of antitrust plaintiffs to actual damages under specified circumstances. Specifically, Geon Technologies, LLC, Columbia, MD; Herrick Technology Laboratories, Inc., Germantown, MD; T2S, LLC, Whiteford, MD; GenXComm, Inc., Austin, TX; Beatty and Company Computing, Inc., Rancho Santa Fe, CA; Baylor University, Waco, TX; Applied Engineering Concepts, Inc., Eldersburg, MD; and OST, Inc., McLean, VA, have been added as parties to this venture.

Also, Interoptek, Inc., N. Charleston, SC; Kranze Technology Solutions, Inc., Prospect Heights, IL; and G5 Scientific,

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

LLC, Burlington, MA, have withdrawn as parties to this venture.

No other changes have been made in either the membership or planned activity of the group research project. Membership in this group research project remains open, and NSC intends to file additional written notifications disclosing all changes in membership.

On May 24, 2014, NSC filed its original notification pursuant to Section 6(a) of the Act. The Department of Justice published a notice in the **Federal Register** pursuant to Section 6(b) of the Act on November 4, 2014 (72 FR 65424).

The last notification was filed with the Department on May 14, 2018. A notice was published in the **Federal Register** pursuant to Section 6(b) of the Act on June 19, 2018 (83 FR 28449).

Suzanne Morris,

Chief, Premerger and Division Statistics Unit, Antitrust Division.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Notice of Lodging of Proposed Consent Decree Under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act

On November 1, 2018, the Department of Justice lodged a proposed Consent Decree with the United States District Court for the Southern District of Ohio in the lawsuit entitled *United States v. The Atlas-Lederer Company, et al.*, Civil Action No. 3:91-CV-00309.

The United States filed this lawsuit under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA). The complaint seeks recovery of costs incurred or to be incurred in connection with the release or threatened release of hazardous substances at the United Scrap Lead Superfund Site in Concord Township, Miami County, Ohio. Three defendants are parties to the proposed Consent Decree: Caldwell Iron & Metal, Larry Katz, and Edison Automotive Inc. Caldwell Iron & Metal and Larry Katz collectively agree to pay \$82,492 plus interest over three years. Edison Automotive Inc. agrees to pay \$22,334. In return, the United States agrees not to sue the defendants under sections 106 and 107 of CERCLA.

The publication of this notice opens a period for public comment on the proposed Consent Decree. Comments should be addressed to the Assistant Attorney General, Environment and Natural Resources Division, and should

refer to *United States v. The Atlas-Lederer Company, et al.* D.J. Ref. No. 90-11-3-279B. All comments must be submitted no later than thirty (30) days after the publication date of this notice. Comments may be submitted either by email or by mail:

To submit comments:	Send them to:
By email	pubcomment-ees.enrd@usdoj.gov .
By mail	Assistant Attorney General, U.S. DOJ-ENRD, P.O. Box 7611, Washington, DC 20044-7611.

During the public comment period, the proposed Consent Decree may be examined and downloaded at this Justice Department website: <https://www.justice.gov/enrd/consent-decrees>. We will provide a paper copy of the proposed Consent Decree upon written request and payment of reproduction costs. Please mail your request and payment to: Consent Decree Library, U.S. DOJ-ENRD, P.O. Box 7611, Washington, DC 20044-7611.

Please enclose a check or money order for \$5.00 (25 cents per page reproduction cost) payable to the United States Treasury.

Randall M. Stone,

Acting Assistant Section Chief, Environmental Enforcement Section, Environment and Natural Resources Division.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Notice of Lodging of Proposed Consent Decree Under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980, as Amended ("CERCLA")

On October 31, 2018, the Department of Justice lodged a proposed consent decree with the United States District Court for the Western District of Michigan in the lawsuit entitled *United States of America v. City of Ironwood, Michigan*, Civil Action No. 2:18-cv-195.

The United States filed this lawsuit under CERCLA. The complaint requests recovery of costs that the United States incurred in responding to releases of hazardous substances at the Ironwood Manufactured Gas Plant Site in Ironwood, Michigan. The City of Ironwood agrees to pay \$170,000 of the United States' response costs and maintain engineering controls at the Site. In return, the United States agrees not to sue the City of Ironwood under Section 107(a) of CERCLA.

The publication of this notice opens a period for public comment on the consent decree. Comments should be addressed to the Assistant Attorney General, Environment and Natural Resources Division, and should refer to *United States of America v. City of Ironwood, Michigan*, D.J. Ref. No. 90-11-3-11704. All comments must be submitted no later than thirty (30) days after the publication date of this notice. Comments may be submitted either by email or by mail:

To submit comments:	Send them to:
By email	pubcomment-ees.enrd@usdoj.gov .
By mail	Assistant Attorney General, U.S. DOJ-ENRD, P.O. Box 7611, Washington, DC 20044-7611.

During the public comment period, the consent decree may be examined and downloaded at this Justice Department website: <https://www.justice.gov/enrd/consent-decrees>.

We will provide a paper copy of the consent decree upon written request and payment of reproduction costs. Please mail your request and payment to: Consent Decree Library, U.S. DOJ-ENRD, P.O. Box 7611, Washington, DC 20044-7611.

Please enclose a check or money order for \$13.75 (25 cents per page reproduction cost) payable to the United States Treasury.

Randall M. Stone,

Acting Assistant Section Chief, Environmental Enforcement Section, Environment and Natural Resources Division.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Notice of Lodging of Proposed Consent Decree Under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act and the Federal Debt Collection Procedures Act

On October 31, 2018, the Department of Justice lodged a proposed Consent Decree with the Western District of Missouri in the matter entitled *United States of America, et al v. Blue Tee Corp., Brown Strauss, Inc., David P. Alldian, Richard A. Secrist, and William M. Kelly* Case No. 3:18-cv-5097. The Consent Decree resolves claims against Blue Tee Corp. ("Blue Tee") and Brown Strauss Inc. ("BSI") under the Comprehensive Environmental