Postponement of Preliminary Determinations

Section 703(b)(1) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act), requires Commerce to issue the preliminary determination in a CVD investigation within 60 days after the date on which Commerce initiated the investigation. However, section 703(c)(1) of the Act permits Commerce to postpone the preliminary determination until no later than 130 days after the date on which Commerce initiated the investigation if: (A) the petitioners 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 petitioners 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 December 10, 2018, the petitioners submitted timely requests that Commerce postpone the preliminary CVD determinations. The petitioners stated that they request postponement of the preliminary determinations because Commerce requires additional time to select mandatory respondents and collect and analyze the questionnaire responses. Furthermore, additional time will permit the petitioners to review the data submitted by the mandatory respondents selected, as well as the Governments of China and India, and for Commerce to issue supplemental questionnaires and gather additional or clarifying information, as necessary.

In accordance with 19 CFR 351.205(e), the petitioners have stated the reasons for requesting a postponement of the preliminary determinations, and Commerce finds no compelling reason to deny the request. Therefore, in accordance with section 703(c)(1)(A) of the Act, Commerce is postponing the deadline for the preliminary determinations to no later than 130 days after the date on which these investigations were initiated, i.e., to March 18, 2019.

Pursuant to section 705(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. This notice is issued and published pursuant to section 703(c)(2) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.205(f)(1).


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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA), Article 1904; Binational Panel Reviews: Notice of Completion of Panel Review

AGENCY: United States Section, NAFTA Secretariat, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.


SUMMARY: The U.S. Section of the NAFTA Secretariat received Requests for Panel Review filed on behalf of Resolute FP Canada Inc. and Resolute FP US Inc. (collectively, “Resolute”) on October 26, 2018, and on behalf of the Government of Quebec on October 29, 2018, pursuant to NAFTA Article 1904. Panel Review was requested of the U.S. International Trade Commission’s final injury determination involving imports of Uncoated Groundwood Paper from Canada. Pursuant to Rule 39(1) of the NAFTA Rules of Procedure for Article 1904 Binational Panel Reviews (Rules), an interested person shall file a Complaint within 30 days after the filing of a first Request for Panel Review. Given that no Complaint has been filed in a timely manner, the panel review has been terminated pursuant to Rule 71(3), and notice is hereby given that panel review of the NAFTA Groundwood Paper Injury dispute has been completed effective November 27, 2018.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Paul E. Morris, United States Section, NAFTA Secretariat, Room 2061, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20230, (202) 482–5438.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Chapter 19 of Article 1904 of NAFTA provides a dispute settlement mechanism involving trade remedy determinations issued by the government of the United States, the government of Canada, and the government of Mexico. There are established Rules, which were adopted by the three governments and require Notices of Completion of Panel Review to be published in accordance with Rule 78. For the complete Rules, please see https://www.nafta-sec-alena.org/Home/Texts-of-the-Agreement/Rules-of-Proceduere/Article-1904.


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U.S. Secretary, NAFTA Secretariat.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

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Steel Wheels From the People’s Republic of China: Postponement of 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) is postponing the deadline for issuing the final determination in the less-than-fair-value (LTFV) investigation of certain steel wheels from the People’s Republic of China (China) until February 11, 2019.

DATES: Applicable February 1, 2019.


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

Commerce published an Initiation Notice on April 24, 2018 and a