

agreement, due to then, existing service requirements. At the time the challenge is made, the original RUS broadband loan must have been rescinded, defaulted on, or the terms and conditions of the original loan must not have been met.

(c) Until further changes to a challenge system can be made in future rounds of funding, for the present round of funding, these challenges will only be considered when submitted with an application for ReConnect funding. Additionally, the agency will only validate the challenge if the application is determined to be complete, feasible, and, if applicable, scored high enough for funding consideration. The agency will assess the ability to expand its challenge process for future rounds of funding.

Dated: March 28, 2019.

**Bette B. Brand,**

*Acting Administrator, Rural Utilities Service.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### International Trade Administration

[A-351-825]

#### Stainless Steel Bar From Brazil: Final Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review; 2017

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

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Commerce (Commerce) finds that stainless steel bar (SSB) from Brazil has been sold at less than normal value during the period of review (POR) February 1, 2017, through August 8, 2017.

**DATES:** Applicable April 12, 2019.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Hermes Pinilla, Office I, Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482-3477.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

#### Background

On October 31, 2018, Commerce published the *Preliminary Results* of the administrative review of the antidumping duty order on SSB from Brazil.<sup>1</sup> The administrative review covers one producer or exporter of the

<sup>1</sup> See *Stainless Steel Bar from Brazil: Preliminary Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review; 2017-2018*, 83 FR 54715 (October 31, 2018) (*Preliminary Results*).

subject merchandise, Villares Metals S.A. (Villares). We gave interested parties an opportunity to comment on the *Preliminary Results*, and we received a case brief from Villares.<sup>2</sup> We did not receive a rebuttal brief.

Commerce exercised its discretion to toll all deadlines affected by the partial federal government closure from December 22, 2018, through the resumption of operations on January 29, 2019.<sup>3</sup> If the new deadline falls on a non-business day, in accordance with Commerce's practice, the deadline will become the next business day. Accordingly, the revised deadline for the final results of this review is now April 9, 2019.

Commerce conducted this review in accordance with section 751(a)(1)(B) and (2) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act).

#### Scope of the Order

The merchandise subject to the order is SSB. The SSB subject to the order is currently classifiable under subheadings 7222.10.00, 7222.11.00, 7222.19.00, 7222.20.00, 7222.30.00 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS). Although the HTSUS subheadings are provided for convenience and customs purposes, the written description of the scope of the order is dispositive. A full description of the scope of the order is contained in the Issues and Decision Memorandum.<sup>4</sup>

#### Analysis of Comments Received

The issue raised by Villares in its case brief has been addressed in the Issues and Decision Memorandum. The Issues and Decision Memorandum is a public document and is made available to the public *via* Enforcement and Compliance's Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Centralized Electronic Service System (ACCESS). ACCESS is available to registered users at <http://access.trade.gov> and is available to all parties in the Central Records Unit, Room B8024 of the main Department of Commerce building. In addition, a complete version of the Issues and Decision Memorandum can be accessed directly on the Enforcement and Compliance website at <http://>

<sup>2</sup> See Villares' case brief, "Stainless Steel Bar from Brazil: Case Brief of Villares Metals SA," dated November 30, 2018.

<sup>3</sup> See Memorandum, "Deadlines Affected by the Partial Shutdown of the Federal Government," dated January 28, 2019. All deadlines in this segment of the proceeding have been extended by 40 days.

<sup>4</sup> See Memorandum, "Stainless Steel Bar from Brazil: Issues and Decision Memorandum for the Final Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review," dated concurrently with, and hereby adopted by, this notice.

[enforcement.trade.gov/frn/](http://enforcement.trade.gov/frn/). A list of the topics discussed in the Issues and Decision Memorandum is attached as an Appendix to this notice.

#### Changes Since the Preliminary Results

We did not make any changes for these final results.

#### Final Results of the Administrative Review

We determine that the following weighted-average dumping margin exists for Villares for the period of February 1, 2017, through August 8, 2017.

| Producer or exporter      | Weighted-average dumping margin (percent) |
|---------------------------|---|
| Villares Metals S.A ..... | 1.67                                      |

#### Assessment

In accordance with section 751(a)(2)(C) of the Act, 19 CFR 351.212(b)(1), and the *Final Modification*,<sup>5</sup> Commerce intends to instruct U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) to assess antidumping duties and liquidate all appropriate entries for Villares covered by this review. For Villares, we calculated importer-specific assessment rates on the basis of the ratio of the total amount of dumping duties calculated for each importer's examined sales and the total entered value of the sales in accordance with 19 CFR 351.212(b)(1).<sup>6</sup>

For entries of subject merchandise during the POR produced by Villares for which it did not know its merchandise was destined for the United States, we will instruct CBP to liquidate unreviewed entries at the all-others rate if there is no rate for the intermediate company involved in the transaction. We intend to issue instructions to CBP 15 days after publication of the final results of this review.

#### Cash Deposit Requirements

In the *Revocation Notice*, Commerce stated that it intends to issue instructions to CBP to terminate the suspension of liquidation and to discontinue the collection of cash deposits on entries of subject merchandise, entered or withdrawn from warehouse, on or after August 9,

<sup>5</sup> See *Antidumping Proceedings: Calculation of the Weighted-Average Dumping Margin and Assessment Rate in Certain Antidumping Duty Proceedings; Final Modification*, 77 FR 8101, 8102 (February 14, 2012) (*Final Modification*).

<sup>6</sup> *Id.*

2017.<sup>7</sup> Furthermore, because the antidumping duty order on SSB from Brazil has been revoked as a result of the *Revocation Notice*, Commerce does not intend to issue cash deposit instructions at the conclusion of this administrative review.

#### Notification to Importers

This notice serves as a final reminder to importers of their responsibility under 19 CFR 351.402(f)(2) to file a certificate regarding the reimbursement of antidumping duties prior to liquidation of the relevant entries during this POR. Failure to comply with this requirement could result in the Secretary's presumption that reimbursement of antidumping duties occurred and the subsequent assessment of double antidumping duties.

#### Notification Regarding Administrative Protective Orders

This notice also serves as a reminder to parties subject to administrative protective order (APO) of their responsibility concerning the return or destruction of proprietary information disclosed under APO in accordance with 19 CFR 351.305(a)(3), which continues to govern business proprietary information in this segment of the proceeding. Timely written notification of the return or destruction of APO materials, or conversion to judicial protective order, is hereby requested. Failure to comply with the regulations and terms of an APO is a violation subject to sanction.

#### Notification to Interested Parties

We are issuing and publishing these results of an administrative review in accordance with sections 751(a)(1) and 777(i) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.221(b)(5).

Dated: April 9, 2019.

#### Gary Taverman,

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

#### Appendix—List of Topics Discussed in the Issues and Decision Memorandum

- I. Summary
- II. Background
- III. Scope of the Order
- IV. Discussion of the Issue
  - Whether to adjust the Comparison Time Periods for purposes of applying the Cohen's D-Test

<sup>7</sup> See *Stainless Steel Bar from Brazil, India, Japan, and Spain: Continuation of Antidumping Duty Order (India) and Revocation of Antidumping Duty Orders (Brazil, Japan, and Spain)*, 83 FR 49910 (October 3, 2018) (*Revocation Notice*).

#### V. Recommendation

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### International Trade Administration

#### Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency Advisory Committee

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

**ACTION:** Notice of an open meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency Advisory Committee (REEEAC or the Committee) will hold a meeting on Tuesday, May 7, 2019, at the U.S. Department of Commerce Herbert C. Hoover Building in Washington, DC. The meeting is open to the public with registration instructions provided below.

**DATES:** May 7, 2019, from approximately 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Eastern Standard Time (EST). Members of the public wishing to participate must register in advance with Victoria Gunderson at the contact information below by 5:00 p.m. EST on Wednesday, May 1, 2019, in order to pre-register, including any requests to make comments during the meeting or for accommodations or auxiliary aids.

**ADDRESSES:** To register, please contact Victoria Gunderson, Designated Federal Officer, Office of Energy and Environmental Industries (OEEI), Industry and Analysis, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce at (202) 482-7890; email: [Victoria.Gunderson@trade.gov](mailto:Victoria.Gunderson@trade.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Victoria Gunderson, Designated Federal Officer, Office of Energy and Environmental Industries (OEEI), Industry and Analysis, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce at (202) 482-7890; email: [Victoria.Gunderson@trade.gov](mailto:Victoria.Gunderson@trade.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**  
*Background:* The Secretary of Commerce established the REEEAC pursuant to discretionary authority and in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. App.), on July 14, 2010. The REEEAC was re-chartered most recently on June 7, 2018. The REEEAC provides the Secretary of Commerce with consensus advice from the private sector on the development and administration of programs and policies to expand the export competitiveness of U.S. renewable energy and energy efficiency products and services. More information

regarding the REEEAC is available online at <http://export.gov/reee/reeeac>.

On May 7, 2019, the REEEAC will hold the third in-person meeting of its current charter term. The Committee, with officials from the Department of Commerce and other agencies, will discuss major issues affecting the competitiveness of the U.S. renewable energy and energy efficiency industries, hold subcommittee work sessions to discuss draft recommendations, and hear about new U.S. government regional energy initiatives. An agenda will be made available by May 1, 2019 upon request.

The meeting will be open to the public and will be accessible to people with disabilities. All guests are required to register in advance by the deadline identified under the **DATES** caption. Requests for auxiliary aids must be submitted by the registration deadline. Last minute requests will be accepted but may be impossible to fill.

A limited amount of time before the close of the meeting will be available for 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 two to five minutes per person (depending on number of public participants). Individuals wishing to reserve speaking time during the meeting must contact Ms. Gunderson and submit a brief statement of the general nature of the comments, as well as the name and address of the proposed participant, by 5:00 p.m. EST on Wednesday, May 1, 2019. 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 submit a copy of their oral comments by email to Ms. Gunderson for distribution to the participants in advance of the meeting.

Any member of the public may submit written comments concerning the REEEAC's affairs at any time before or after the meeting. Comments may be submitted to the Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency Advisory Committee, c/o: Victoria Gunderson, Designated Federal Officer, Office of Energy and Environmental Industries, U.S. Department of Commerce; 1401 Constitution Avenue NW; Mail Stop: 28018; Washington, DC 20230. To be considered during the meeting, public comments must be transmitted to the REEEAC prior to the meeting. As such, written comments must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. EST on Wednesday, May 1, 2019. Comments received after