

(including hours and cost) of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval of this information collection; they also will become a matter of public record.

Sheleen Dumas,

Departmental Lead PRA Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer, Commerce Department.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Bureau of Industry and Security

Sensors and Instrumentation Technical Advisory Committee; Revised—Notice of Partially Closed Meeting

The Sensors and Instrumentation Technical Advisory Committee (SITAC) will meet on October 29, 2019, 9:30 a.m., in the Herbert C. Hoover Building, Room 6087B, 14th Street between Constitution and Pennsylvania Avenues NW, Washington, DC. The Committee advises the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Export Administration on technical questions that affect the level of export controls applicable to sensors and instrumentation equipment and technology.

Agenda

Public Session:

1. Welcome and Introductions.
2. Remarks from the Bureau of Industry and Security Management.
3. Industry Presentations.
4. New Business.

Closed Session:

5. Discussion of matters determined to be exempt from the provisions relating to public meetings found in 5 U.S.C. app. 2 §§ 10(a)(1) and 10(a)(3).

The open session will be accessible via teleconference to 20 participants on a first come, first serve basis. To join the conference, submit inquiries to Ms. Yvette Springer at Yvette.Springer@bis.doc.gov no later than October 22, 2019.

A limited number of seats will be available during the public session of the meeting. Reservations are not

accepted. To the extent that time permits, members of the public may present oral statements to the Committee. The public may submit written statements at any time before or after the meeting. However, to facilitate distribution of public presentation materials to the Committee members, the Committee suggests that the materials be forwarded before the meeting to Ms. Springer.

The Assistant Secretary for Administration, with the concurrence of the General Counsel, formally determined on October 10, 2019 pursuant to Section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. app. 2 § 10(d)), that the portion of this meeting dealing with pre-decisional changes to the Commerce Control List and U.S. export control policies shall be exempt from the provisions relating to public meetings found in 5 U.S.C. app. 2 §§ 10(a)(1) and 10(a)(3). The remaining portions of the meeting will be open to the public.

For more information contact Yvette Springer on (202) 482-2813.

Yvette Springer,

Committee Liaison Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[A-580-889]

Diocetyl Terephthalate From the Republic of Korea: Preliminary Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review; 2017-2018

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

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce (Commerce) preliminarily determines that producers and/or exporters subject to this administrative review made sales of subject merchandise at less than normal value (NV) during the February 3, 2017 through July 31, 2018 period of review (POR). Interested parties are invited to comment on these preliminary results of review.

DATES: Applicable October 18, 2019.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Laura Griffith, Laurel LaCivita, or Jean Valdez, AD/CVD Operations, Office III, Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482-6430, (202) 482-4243, or (202) 482-3855, respectively.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On October 4, 2018, based on timely requests for review, in accordance with 19 CFR 351.221(c)(1)(i), we initiated an administrative review of the antidumping duty (AD) order on diocetyl terephthalate (DOTP) from the Republic of Korea (Korea), covering three companies: Aekyung Petrochemical Co., Ltd. (AKP), LG Chem Ltd. (LG Chem), and Hanwha Chemical Corporation (Hanwha Chemical).¹ 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 28, 2019.² On May 23, 2019, we further extended the deadline for the preliminary results in this review to no later than October 10, 2019.³ For a complete description of the events that followed the initiation of this review, see the Preliminary Decision Memorandum.⁴

Scope of the Order

The merchandise covered by this order is diocetyl terephthalate (DOTP), regardless of form. DOTP that has been blended with other products is included within this scope when such blends include constituent parts that have not been chemically reacted with each other to produce a different product. For such blends, only the DOTP component of the mixture is covered by the scope of this order. Subject merchandise is currently classified under subheading 2917.39.2000 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS). Subject merchandise may also enter under subheadings 2917.39.7000 or 3812.20.1000 of the HTSUS. While the CAS registry number and HTSUS classification are provided for convenience and customs purposes, the

¹ See *Initiation of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Administrative Reviews*, 83 FR 50077 (October 4, 2018) (*Initiation Notice*).

² See Memorandum to the Record from 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, "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. This extended the initial deadline for the preliminary results of this review to June 12, 2019.

³ See Memorandum, "Diocetyl Terephthalate from the Republic of Korea: Extension of Time Limit for Preliminary Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review," dated May 23, 2019.

⁴ See Memorandum, "Decision Memorandum for the Preliminary Results of the 2017-2018 Antidumping Duty Administrative Review: Diocetyl Terephthalate from the Republic of Korea," dated concurrently with, and hereby adopted by, this notice (Preliminary Decision Memorandum).

written description of the scope of this order is dispositive.⁵

Methodology

Commerce is conducting this review in accordance with section 751(a)(1)(B) and (2) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act). We calculated export price and constructed export price in accordance with section 772 of the Act. We calculated NV in accordance with section 773 of the Act. For a full description of the methodology underlying our calculations, see the Preliminary Decision Memorandum. The Preliminary Decision Memorandum is a public document and is on file 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 B8024 of the main Commerce building. In addition, a complete version of the Preliminary Decision Memorandum can be accessed directly at <http://enforcement.trade.gov/frn/>. The signed and electronic versions of the Preliminary Decision Memorandum are identical in content. A list of the topics discussed in the Preliminary Decision Memorandum is attached as the Appendix to this notice.

Preliminary Results of the Review

As a result of this review, we preliminarily determine the following weighted-average dumping margins for the period February 3, 2017 through July 31, 2018:

Exporter/producer	Weighted-average dumping margin (percent)
Aekyung Petrochemical Co., Ltd	0.85
Hanwha Chemical Corporation ..	22.97
LG Chem, Ltd	0.00

Assessment Rates

Upon completion of the administrative review, Commerce shall determine, and U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) shall assess, antidumping duties on all appropriate entries covered by this review.

For any individually examined respondents whose weighted-average dumping margin is above *de minimis* (i.e., 0.50 percent), we will calculate importer-specific *ad valorem* duty assessment rates based on the ratio of

the total amount of dumping calculated for the importer's examined sales to the total entered value of those same sales in accordance with 19 CFR 351.212(b)(1).⁶ We will instruct CBP to assess antidumping duties on all appropriate entries covered by this review when the importer-specific assessment rate calculated in the final results of this review is not zero or *de minimis*. If a respondent's weighted-average dumping margin is zero or *de minimis* within the meaning of 19 CFR 351.106(c)(1), or an importer-specific rate is zero or *de minimis*, we will instruct CBP to liquidate the appropriate entries without regard to antidumping duties. The final results of this review shall be the basis for the assessment of antidumping duties on entries of merchandise covered by this review where applicable.

In accordance with our practice, for entries of subject merchandise during the POR for which a respondent did not know that the merchandise was destined for the United States, we will instruct CBP to liquidate such entries at the all-others rate if there is no rate for the intermediate company(ies) involved in the transaction. The final results of this review shall be the basis for the assessment of antidumping duties on entries of merchandise covered by the final results of this review and for future deposits of estimated duties, where applicable.⁷

We intend to issue liquidation instructions to CBP 15 days after publication of the final results of this review.

Cash Deposit Requirements

The following deposit requirements will be effective for all shipments of the subject merchandise entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after the publication date of the final results of this administrative review, as provided by section 751(a)(2)(C) of the Act: (1) The cash deposit rate for each specific company listed above will be that established in the final results of this review, except if the rate is less than 0.50 percent and, therefore, *de minimis* within the meaning of 19 CFR 351.106(c)(1), in which case the cash deposit rate will be zero; (2) for previously investigated companies not participating in this review, the cash

deposit will continue to be the company-specific rate published for the most recently completed segment of this proceeding in which the company participated; (3) if the exporter is not a firm covered in this review, or the original less-than-fair-value (LTFV) investigation, but the manufacturer is, the cash deposit rate will be the rate established for the most recent segment for the manufacturer of the merchandise; and (4) the cash deposit rate for all other manufacturers or exporters will continue to be 3.69 percent, the all-others rate established in the LTFV investigation.⁸ These deposit requirements, when imposed, shall remain in effect until further notice.

Disclosure and Public Comment

Commerce intends to disclose the calculations performed in connection with these preliminary results to interested parties within five days after the date of publication of this notice.⁹ Interested parties may submit case briefs no later than 30 days after the date of publication of this notice.¹⁰ Rebuttal briefs, limited to issues raised in the case briefs, may be filed no later than five days after the time limit for filing case briefs.¹¹ Parties who submit case briefs or rebuttal briefs in this proceeding are encouraged to submit with each argument: (1) A statement of the issue; (2) a brief summary of the argument; and (3) a table of authorities.¹² Case and rebuttal briefs should be filed using ACCESS.¹³

Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.310(c), interested parties who wish to request a hearing must submit a written request to the Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance, filed electronically via ACCESS. An electronically-filed document must be received successfully in its entirety by ACCESS by 5 p.m. Eastern Time within 30 days after the date of publication of this notice.¹⁴ Hearing requests should contain: (1) The party's name, address, and telephone number; (2) the number of participants; and (3) a list of issues to be discussed. Issues raised in the hearing will be limited to issues raised in the briefs. If a request for a hearing is made, parties will be notified of the time and date for the hearing to be held at the U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401

⁸ See *Diocetyl Terephthalate from the Republic of Korea: Antidumping Duty Order*, 82 FR 39410 (August 18, 2017).

⁹ See 19 CFR 351.224(b).

¹⁰ See 19 CFR 351.309(c)(1)(ii).

¹¹ See 19 CFR 351.309(d)(1).

¹² See 19 CFR 351.309(c)(2) and (d)(2).

¹³ See 19 CFR 351.303.

¹⁴ See 19 CFR 351.310(c).

⁶ In these preliminary results, Commerce applied the assessment rate calculation methodology adopted in *Antidumping Proceedings: Calculation of the Weighted-Average Dumping Margin and Assessment Rate in Certain Antidumping Proceedings; Final Modification*, 77 FR 8101 (February 14, 2012).

⁷ See section 751(a)(2)(C) of the Act.

⁵ See Preliminary Decision Memorandum for a full description of the scope of the order.

Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20230.¹⁵

Commerce intends to issue the final results of this administrative review, including the results of its analysis raised in any written briefs, not later than 120 days after the publication of these preliminary results in the **Federal Register**, unless otherwise extended.¹⁶

Notification to Importers

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

We are issuing and publishing these results in accordance with sections 751(a)(1) and 777(i)(1) of the Act.

Dated: October 10, 2019.

Christian Marsh,

Deputy Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance.

Appendix

List of Topics Discussed in the Preliminary Decision Memorandum

- I. Summary
- II. Background
- III. Scope of the Order
- IV. Discussion of the Methodology
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- VI. Product Comparisons
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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

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Certain Steel Nails From the People's Republic of China: Preliminary Results of the Antidumping Duty Administrative Review and Preliminary Determination of No Shipments; 2017-2018

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

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce (Commerce) preliminarily determines

that certain steel nails (nails) from the People's Republic of China (China) were sold in the United States at less than normal value (NV) during the period of review (POR), August 1, 2017 through July 31, 2018.

DATES: Applicable October 18, 2019.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Annatheia Cook or Benito Ballesteros, AD/CVD Operations, Office V, Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482-0250 or (202) 482-7425, respectively.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On October 4, 2018, Commerce published in the **Federal Register** the notice of initiation of an administrative review of the antidumping duty order on nails from China¹ for the POR, August 1, 2017 through July 31, 2018.² Commerce initiated a review with respect to 213 companies.³ Pursuant to section 777A(c)(2)(A) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act), Commerce selected three mandatory respondents, The Stanley Works (Langfang) Fastening Systems Co., Ltd. and Stanley Black & Decker, Inc. (collectively, Stanley), Shanxi Pioneer Hardware Industrial Co., Ltd. (Pioneer), and Tianjin Universal Machinery Imp. & Exp. Corporation (Universal).⁴ On May 13, 2019, Commerce fully extended the deadline for issuing the preliminary results to October 10, 2019.⁵

Scope of the Order

The products covered by this review are certain steel nails from China. For a

¹ See *Notice of Antidumping Duty Order: Certain Steel Nails from the People's Republic of China*, 73 FR 44961 (August 1, 2008).

² See *Initiation of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Administrative Reviews*, 83 FR 50077 (October 4, 2018); See also corrections in *Initiation of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Administrative Reviews*, 8 FR 57411, 57414 n.6 (November 15, 2018); and *Initiation of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Administrative Reviews*, 84 FR 2159, 2168 n.7 (February 6, 2019) (collectively, *Initiation Notice*).

³ *Id.*

⁴ See Memorandum, "Respondent Selection for Certain Steel Nails from the People's Republic of China: Sampling Meeting with Outside Parties," dated May 10, 2019.

⁵ See Memorandum, "Deadlines Affected by the Partial Shutdown of the Federal Government," dated January 28, 2019. Commerce exercised its discretion to toll all deadlines affected by the closure of the Federal Government from December 22, 2018, through January 28, 2019. See also Memorandum, "Ninth Antidumping Duty Administrative Review of Certain Steel Nails from the People's Republic of China: Extension of Deadline for Preliminary Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review," dated May 13, 2019.

full description of the scope, see the Preliminary Decision Memorandum, dated concurrently with and hereby adopted by this notice.⁶

Preliminary Determination of No Shipments

Based on the no-shipments letters filed by 11 companies, Commerce preliminarily determined that these companies had no shipments during the POR.⁷ For additional information regarding this determination, including a list of these companies, see the Preliminary Decision Memorandum. Consistent with our assessment practice in non-market economy (NME) administrative reviews, Commerce is not rescinding this review for these companies, but intends to complete the review and issue appropriate instructions to CBP based on the final results of the review.⁸

Separate Rates

Commerce preliminarily determined that information placed on the record by the three mandatory respondents, as well as by the 17 other separate rate applicants, demonstrates that these companies are entitled to separate rate status. See Preliminary Results of Review section below. For additional information, see the Preliminary Decision Memorandum.

China-Wide Entity

Commerce's policy regarding conditional review of the China-wide entity applies to this administrative review.⁹ Under this policy, the China-wide entity will not be under review unless a party specifically requests, or Commerce self-initiates, a review of the entity. Because no party requested a review of the China-wide entity in this review, the entity is not under review and the weighted-average dumping

⁶ See Memorandum, "Decision Memorandum for the Preliminary Results of the 2017-2018 Antidumping Duty Administrative Review: Certain Steel Nails from the People's Republic of China," dated concurrently with this notice (Preliminary Decision Memorandum).

⁷ Although Shanxi Yuci Broad Wire Products Co., Ltd. and Certified Products International Inc. each submitted a no shipments letter, they are not among the 213 companies initiated on in this review, and therefore are not subject to this review. Therefore, we only evaluated the no shipment claims of the thirteen companies that submitted no shipments letters and for which this review was initiated.

⁸ See *Non-Market Economy Antidumping Proceedings: Assessment of Antidumping Duties*, 76 FR 65694, 65694-95 (October 24, 2011) and the "Assessment Rates" section, below.

⁹ See *Antidumping Proceedings: Announcement of Change in Department Practice for Respondent Selection in Antidumping Duty Proceedings and Conditional Review of the Nonmarket Economy Entity in NME Antidumping Duty Proceedings*, 78 FR 65963 (November 4, 2013) (*Sampling Methodology Notice*).

¹⁵ *Id.*

¹⁶ See section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act.