

importer-specific *ad valorem* assessment rates on the basis of the ratio of the total amount of dumping calculated for an importer's examined sales and the total entered value of such sales in accordance with 19 CFR 351.212(b)(1). For non-examined respondents, Commerce shall direct CBP to assess antidumping duties at an *ad valorem* rate equal to the company-specific weighted-average dumping margin determined in the final results of this review. Where either the respondent's weighted-average dumping margin is zero or *de minimis* within the meaning of 19 CFR 351.106(c), or an importer-specific assessment rate is zero or *de minimis*, we will instruct CBP to liquidate the appropriate entries without regard to antidumping duties.

Commerce clarified its "automatic assessment" regulation on May 6, 2003.¹¹ This clarification applies to entries of subject merchandise during the POR produced by Saha Thai for which it did not know its merchandise was destined for the United States. In such instances, we will instruct CBP to liquidate unreviewed entries at the all-others rate if there is no rate for the intermediate company(ies) 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

The following cash deposit requirements will be effective for all shipments of subject merchandise entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after the date of publication of the final results of this administrative review, as provided for by section 751(a)(2)(C) of the Act: (1) The cash deposit rate for the companies under review will be equal to the weighted-average dumping margin established in the final results of this review (except, if that rate is *de minimis*, then the cash deposit rate will be zero); (2) for previously reviewed or investigated companies not listed above in the preliminary results of this review, including those for which Commerce may determine had no shipments during the POR, the cash deposit rate will continue to be the company-specific rate published for the most recently completed segment of this proceeding; (3) if the exporter is not a firm covered in this review or another completed segment of this proceeding, but the manufacturer is, then the cash

deposit rate will be the rate established for the most recently completed segment of this proceeding for the manufacturer of the merchandise; and (4) if neither the exporter nor the manufacturer is a firm covered in this or any previously completed segment of this proceeding, then the cash deposit rate will be the all-others rate of 15.67 percent, established in the less-than-fair-value investigation.¹² These deposit requirements, when imposed, shall remain in effect until further notice.

Notification to Importers

This notice serves as a preliminary 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 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.

Notification to Interested Parties

We are issuing and publishing these preliminary results in accordance with sections 751(a)(1) and 777(i) of the Act, and 19 CFR 351.213(h) and 351.221(b)(4).

Dated: March 27, 2020

Jeffrey I. Kessler,

Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

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Certain Uncoated Paper From Portugal: Preliminary Results of the Administrative Review of the Antidumping Duty Order; 2018–2019

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

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce (Commerce) preliminarily finds that sales of certain uncoated paper (uncoated paper) from Portugal were made at less than normal value during the period of review (POR) March 1, 2018 through February 28, 2019. We invite interested parties to comment on these preliminary results.

DATES: Applicable April 2, 2020.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kabir Archuleta, 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) 482-2593.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On May 29, 2019, Commerce initiated an administrative review of the antidumping duty order on uncoated paper from Portugal in accordance with section 751(a) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act).¹ This review covers one producer/exporter of subject merchandise, The Navigator Company, S.A. (Navigator).² For details regarding the events that occurred subsequent to the initiation of the review, see the Preliminary Decision Memorandum.³ Pursuant to section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act, Commerce determined that it was not practicable to complete the preliminary results of this review within the 245 days and extended the preliminary results by 117 days, until March 27, 2020.⁴

Scope of the Order

The products covered by this order are certain uncoated paper products

¹ See *Initiation of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Administrative Reviews*, 84 FR 24743 (May 29, 2019).

² *Id.*, 84 FR at 24745.

³ See Memorandum, "Decision Memorandum for the Preliminary Results of the Administrative Review of the Antidumping Duty Order: Certain Uncoated Paper from Portugal; 2018–2019," dated concurrently with, and hereby adopted by, this notice (Preliminary Decision Memorandum).

⁴ See Memorandum, "Certain Uncoated Paper from Portugal: Extension of Deadline for Preliminary Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review," dated November 15, 2019.

¹¹ For a full discussion of this clarification, see *Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Proceedings: Assessment of Antidumping Duties*, 68 FR 23954 (May 6, 2003).

¹² See *Antidumping Duty Order: Circular Welded Carbon Steel Pipes and Tubes from Thailand*, 51 FR 8341 (March 11, 1986).

from Portugal. For a full description of the scope, see the Preliminary Decision Memorandum.

Methodology

Commerce is conducting this review in accordance with section 751(a) of the Act. For a full description of the methodology underlying these preliminary results, see the Preliminary Decision Memorandum. A list of topics included in the Preliminary Decision Memorandum is included as an appendix to this notice. The Preliminary 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 <https://access.trade.gov>, and is available 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 is available at <http://enforcement.trade.gov/frn/>. The signed and electronic versions of the Preliminary Decision Memorandum are identical in content.

Preliminary Results of the Review

We preliminarily determine that the following weighted-average dumping margin exists for the period March 1, 2018 through February 28, 2019:

Exporter/producer	Weighted-average dumping margin (percent)
The Navigator Company, S.A	6.75

Assessment Rates

Upon completion of the final results, Commerce shall determine, and U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) shall assess, antidumping duties on all appropriate entries. If Navigator's weighted-average dumping margin is not zero or *de minimis* (i.e., less than 0.5 percent) in the final results of this review, we will calculate importer-specific *ad valorem* antidumping 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). 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 Navigator's weighted-average dumping margin 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 the final results of this review and for future deposits of estimated duties, where applicable.⁵

In accordance with Commerce's "automatic assessment" practice, for entries of subject merchandise during the POR produced by Navigator for which it did not know that the merchandise was destined for the United States, we will instruct CBP to liquidate those entries at the all-others rate if there is no rate for the intermediate company(ies) involved in the transaction.⁶

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

Cash Deposit Requirements

The following cash 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 Navigator in the final results of review will be equal to the weighted-average dumping margin established in the final results of this administrative review; (2) for merchandise exported by producers or exporters not covered in this review but covered in a prior segment of the proceeding, the cash deposit rate will continue to be the company-specific rate published for the most recently-completed segment of this proceeding in which they were reviewed; (3) if the exporter is not a firm covered in this review or the original investigation but the producer is, then the cash deposit rate will be the rate established for the most recently completed segment of this proceeding for the producer of the merchandise; (4) the cash deposit rate for all other producers or exporters will continue to be 7.80 percent,⁷ the all-

others rate established in the less-than-fair-value investigation. These cash deposit requirements, when imposed, shall remain in effect until further notice.

Disclosure and Public Comment

We intend to disclose the calculations performed to parties within five days after public announcement of the preliminary results.⁸ Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.309(c), interested parties may submit case briefs no later than 30 days after the date of publication of this notice. Rebuttal briefs, limited to issues raised in the case briefs, may be filed not later than seven days after the date for filing case briefs.⁹ 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.¹⁰ Case and rebuttal briefs should be filed using ACCESS¹¹ and must be served on interested parties.¹² Executive summaries should be limited to five pages total, including footnotes. Note that Commerce has temporarily modified certain of its requirements for serving documents containing business proprietary information, until May 19, 2020, unless extended.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 Commerce's electronic records system, ACCESS, by 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time within 30 days after the date of publication of this notice. 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 those raised in the respective case and rebuttal briefs.

Final Results of Review

Unless otherwise extended, Commerce intends to issue the final results of this administrative review, including the results of its analysis of the issues raised in any written briefs, not later than 120 days after the date of publication of this notice, pursuant to

⁵ See section 751(a)(2)(C) of the Act.

⁶ For a full discussion of this practice, see *Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Proceedings: Assessment of Antidumping Duties*, 68 FR 23954 (May 6, 2003).

⁷ See *Certain Uncoated Paper from Australia, Brazil, Indonesia, the People's Republic of China, and Portugal: Amended Final Affirmative Antidumping Determinations for Brazil and Indonesia and Antidumping Duty Orders*, 81 FR 11174 (March 3, 2016).

⁸ See 19 CFR 351.224(b).

⁹ See 19 CFR 351.309(c)(1)(ii) and 351.309(d)(1).

¹⁰ See 19 CFR 351.309(c)(2) and (d)(2).

¹¹ See generally 19 CFR 351.303.

¹² See 19 CFR 351.303(f).

¹³ See *Temporary Rule Modifying AD/CVD Service Requirements Due to COVID-19*, 85 FR 17006 (March 26, 2020).

section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.213(h)(1).

Notification to Importers

This notice also serves as a preliminary 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 Commerce's presumption that reimbursement of antidumping duties occurred and the subsequent assessment of doubled antidumping duties.

Notification to Interested Parties

This administrative review and notice are issued and published in accordance with sections 751(a)(1) and 777(i)(1) of the Act, and 19 CFR 351.213 and 351.221(b)(4).

Dated: March 27, 2020.

Jeffrey I. Kessler,

Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

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Carbon Steel Butt-Weld Pipe Fittings from the People's Republic of China: Preliminary Determination of No Shipments; 2018-2019

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

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce (Commerce) preliminarily determines that Solidbend Fittings & Flanges Sdn. Bhd. (Solidbend) made no shipments of subject merchandise during the period of review (POR) July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019. We invite all interested parties to comment on these preliminary results.

DATES: Applicable April 2, 2020.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Genevieve Coen, AD/CVD Operations, Office V, Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482-3251.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On September 9, 2019, Commerce initiated an administrative review of the antidumping duty order¹ on carbon steel butt-weld pipe fittings (butt-weld pipe fittings) from the People's Republic of China (China), in accordance with section 751(a) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act), with respect to one company, Solidbend.² On October 9, 2019, Solidbend certified it had no shipments of subject merchandise during the POR.³ On October 18, 2019, we placed United States Customs and Border Protection (CBP) data on the record and invited comment from interested parties.⁴ In December 2019, we confirmed Solidbend's no shipment claim with CBP.⁵ Because Solidbend reported it has no shipments, several parties requested that Commerce rescind its review of Solidbend;⁶ however, Solidbend did not withdraw its review request, and consistent with our practice, we have not rescinded this review with respect to Solidbend.⁷

Scope of the Order

The merchandise covered by the Order consists of certain carbon steel butt-weld pipe fittings, having an inside

¹ See *Antidumping Duty Order and Amendment to the Final Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value; Certain Carbon Steel Butt-Weld Pipe Fittings from the People's Republic of China*, 57 FR 29702 (July 6, 1992) (Order).

² See *Initiation of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Administrative Reviews*, 84 FR 47242 (September 9, 2019).

³ See Solidbend's Letter, "Carbon Steel Butt-Weld Pipe Fittings from the People's Republic of China, A-570-814: No Shipment Letter," dated October 9, 2019 (Solidbend No Shipment Certification).

⁴ See Memorandum, "Administrative Review of the Antidumping Duty Order of Carbon Steel Butt-Weld Pipe Fittings from the People's Republic of China: Release of Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Data Query," dated October 18, 2019.

⁵ See Memorandum, "Carbon Steel Butt-Weld Pipe Fittings from the People's Republic of China: Result of No Shipments Inquiry," dated December 10, 2019.

⁶ See Tube Forgings, Mills, and Hackney's Letter, "Certain Carbon Steel Butt-Weld Pipe Fittings from the People's Republic of China; Comment on Solidbend's No Shipment Letter," dated October 11, 2019; see also Weldbend's Letter, "Certain Carbon Steel Butt-Weld Pipe Fittings from China: Comments on CBP Data," dated October 25, 2019.

⁷ See *Certain Magnesia Carbon Bricks from the People's Republic of China: Final Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review and Final Determination of No Shipments, In Part; 2018-2019*, 85 FR 9735 (February 20, 2020) (Magnesia Bricks).

diameter of less than 14 inches, imported in either finished or unfinished form. These formed or forged pipe fittings are used to join sections in piping systems where conditions require permanent, welded connections, as distinguished from fittings based on other fastening methods (e.g., threaded, grooved, or bolted fittings). Carbon steel butt-weld pipe fittings are currently classified under subheading 7307.93.30 of the HTSUS. The HTSUS subheading is provided for convenience and customs purposes. The written product description remains dispositive.

Preliminary Determination of No Shipments

On October 9, 2019, Solidbend timely filed a statement reporting that it made no shipments of subject merchandise to the United States during the POR.⁸ We confirmed the claim from Solidbend with CBP. Based on this information, we preliminarily determine that Solidbend had no shipments during the POR.

Consistent with our practice, we are not preliminarily rescinding the review with respect to Solidbend. Rather, we will complete the review with respect to this company and issue appropriate instructions to CBP based on the final results of this review.⁹

Disclosure and Public Comment

Commerce has made no calculations as part of these preliminary results. Accordingly, there will be no disclosure of the calculations performed for these preliminary results of review in accordance with 19 CFR 351.224(b).

Commerce intends to issue the final results of this administrative review no later than 120 days after the date of publication of this notice, unless extended.¹⁰

Assessment Rates

Upon completion of this administrative review, Commerce shall determine, and CBP shall assess, antidumping duties on all appropriate entries. Pursuant to Commerce's practice in non-market economy cases, if Commerce continues to determine in the final results that Solidbend had no shipments of subject merchandise, Commerce will liquidate any suspended entries during the POR from Solidbend at the China-wide rate.¹¹ We intend to issue assessment instructions 15 days

⁸ See Solidbend No Shipment Certification.

⁹ See, e.g., *Magnesia Bricks*.

¹⁰ See section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.213(h).

¹¹ For a full discussion of this practice, see *Non-Market Economy Antidumping Proceedings: Assessment of Antidumping Duties*, 76 FR 65694 (October 24, 2011).