Theodore Pearson, AD/CVD Operations, Enforcement and Compliance, and Langfang Tianhai High Pressure Container Co., Ltd., and Langfang Tianhai High Pressure Container Co., Ltd. (collectively, BTIC), in accordance with section 751(a) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act), and 19 CFR 351.213(b), Commerce received no other requests for administrative review.

On August 6, 2020, pursuant to these requests and in accordance with 19 CFR 351.221(c)(1)(i), Commerce published a notice initiating an administrative review of the CVD order on high pressure steel cylinders from China.4 On October 19, 2020, the petitioner and BTIC withdrew their requests for an administrative review of all companies for which they had requested a review.5

Rescission of Review

Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.213(d)(1), Commerce will rescind an administrative review, in whole or in part, if the party or parties that requested a review withdraws the request within 90 days of the publication date of the notice of initiation of the requested review. As noted above, the petitioner and BTIC withdrew their requests for review of all

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1 See Antidumping or Countervailing Duty Order, Finding, or Suspended Investigation; Opportunity to Request Administrative Review, 85 FR 36028 (July 1, 2019).


companies within 90 days of the publication date of the notice of initiation. No other parties requested an administrative review of the order. Therefore, in accordance with 19 CFR 351.213(d)(1), we are rescinding the administrative review of the CVD order on high pressure steel cylinders from China covering January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2019, in its entirety.

Assessment

Commerce intends to instruct U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) to assess countervailing duties on all appropriate entries of high pressure steel cylinders from China during the POR. Countervailing duties shall be assessed at rates equal to the cash deposit of estimated countervailing duties required at the time of entry, or withdrawal from warehouse, for consumption in accordance with 19 CFR 351.212(c)(1)(i). Commerce intends to issue appropriate assessment instructions to CBP 15 days after the date of publication of this notice in the Federal Register.

Notification Regarding Administrative Protective Orders

This notice serves as a reminder to all parties subject to administrative protective order (APO) of their responsibility concerning the disposition of proprietary information disclosed under APO in accordance with 19 CFR 351.305(a)(3). Timely written notification of the return/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 which is subject to sanction.

Notification to Interested Parties

This notice is issued and published in accordance with sections 751(a)(1) and 777(i)(1) of the Act, and 19 CFR 351.213(d)(4).


James Maeder,
Deputy Assistant Secretary for Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Operations.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
International Trade Administration
Thermal Paper From Germany, Japan, the Republic of Korea, and Spain: Initiation of Less-Than-Fair-Value Investigations

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


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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:
The Petitions

On October 7, 2020, the Department of Commerce (Commerce) received antidumping duty (AD) petitions concerning imports of thermal paper from Germany, Japan, Korea, and Spain filed in proper form on behalf of Appvion Operations, Inc. (Appvion) and Domtar Corporation (Domtar) (collectively, the petitioners), domestic producers of thermal paper.1 On October 13 and 20, 2020, Commerce requested supplemental information pertaining to certain aspects of the Petitions in separate supplemental questionnaires.2 The petitioners filed responses to the supplemental questionnaires on October 16, 2020,3 and October 21, 2020.4

In accordance with section 732(b)(1) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act), the petitioners allege that imports of thermal paper from Germany, Japan, Korea, and Spain are being, or are likely to be, sold in the United States at less than fair value (LTFV) within the meaning of section 731 of the Act, and that imports of such products are materially injuring, or threatening material injury to, the thermal paper industry in the United States. Consistent with section 732(b)(1) of the Act, the Petitions are accompanied by information reasonably available to the petitioners supporting their allegations. Commerce finds that the petitioners filed the Petitions on behalf of the domestic industry, because the petitioners are interested parties, as defined in section 771(9)(C) of the Act. Commerce also finds that the petitioners demonstrated sufficient industry support for the initiation of the requested LTFV investigations.5

Periods of Investigation

Because the Petitions were filed on October 7, 2020, the period of investigation (POI) for these LTFV investigations is October 1, 2019, through September 30, 2020, pursuant to 19 CFR 351.204(b)(1).6

Scope of the Investigations

The product covered by these investigations is thermal paper from Germany, Japan, Korea, and Spain. For a full description of the scope of these investigations, see the appendix to this notice.

Comments on the Scope of the Investigations

On October 13 and 14, 2020, Commerce requested information from the petitioners regarding the proposed scope to ensure that the scope language in the Petitions is an accurate reflection of the products for which the domestic industry is seeking relief.7 On October

1 See Petitioners’ Letter, “Petitions for the Imposition of Antidumping Duties on Imports of Thermal Paper from Germany, Japan, Korea, and Spain,” dated October 7, 2020 (the Petitions).


5 See infra, section on “Determination of Industry Support for the Petitions.”

6 See 19 CFR 351.204(b)(1).

7 See General Issues Supplemental; see also Memorandum, “Petitions for the Imposition of Antidumping Duties on Imports of Thermal Paper from Germany, Japan, the Republic of Korea, and Spain: Phone Call with Counsel to the Petitioners,” dated October 14, 2020.