DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[25–333–864]

Glycine From India: Preliminary Results of Countervailing Duty Administrative Review; 2018–2019

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

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce (Commerce) preliminarily determines that countervailable subsidies are being provided to producers and exporters of glycine from India for the period of review for a producer/exporter of glycine, Avid Organics Private Limited (Avid), and seven individual companies located in India, Avid for these preliminary results of review. The revised deadline for these preliminary results of review is now June 30, 2021.


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On August 6, 2020, Commerce published a notice of initiation of administrative review of the countervailing duty order on glycine from India.1 On March 2, 2021, Commerce extended the deadline for issuing the preliminary results of review.2 The revised deadline for these preliminary results of review is now June 30, 2021.

For a complete description of the events that followed the initiation of this review, see the Preliminary Decision Memorandum.3 A list of topics discussed in the Preliminary Decision Memorandum is included at Appendix I to this notice. 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 http://access.trade.gov. In addition, a complete version of the Preliminary Decision Memorandum can be accessed directly at http://enforcement.trade.gov/frn/.

Scope of the Order

The merchandise covered by the order is glycine from India. For a complete description of the scope of the order, see the Preliminary Decision Memorandum.

Methodology

Commerce is conducting this review in accordance with section 751(a)(1)(A) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act). For each of the subsidy programs found countervailable, we preliminarily determine that there is a subsidy, i.e., a financial contribution that gives rise to a benefit to the recipient, and the subsidy is specific.4 For a full description of the methodology underlying our conclusions, see the Preliminary Decision Memorandum.

On June 11, 2021, we initiated an investigation of newly alleged subsidy programs.5 Because we did not receive information from the Government of India, Avid Organics Private Limited (Avid), or Kumar Industries (India) (Kumar) related to the new subsidy programs in time to evaluate them for purposes of these preliminary results of review, we intend to issue post-preliminary review results that incorporate these programs.6

Companies Not Selected for Individual Review

For companies not selected for individual review, because the 2019 subsidy rates calculated for Avid and Kumar were above de minimis and not based on facts available, we have preliminarily calculated a subsidy rate based on a weighted-average of the subsidy rates calculated for Avid and Kumar using publicly ranged sales data submitted by respondents.7 For 2018, we preliminarily assigned to the companies not individually examined a subsidy rate of 3.58 percent, which is the 2018 subsidy rate calculated for Avid for these preliminary results of review.


See Memorandum, “Decision Memorandum for the Affirmative Preliminary Determination: First Administrative Review of Glycine from India,” dated concurrently with, and hereby adopted by, this notice (Preliminary Decision Memorandum).

See sections 771(5)(B) and (D) of the Act regarding financial contribution; section 771(5)(E) of the Act regarding benefit; and section 771(5)(A) of the Act regarding specificity.


See Preliminary Decision Memorandum.

Preliminary Results of Administrative Review

In accordance with 19 CFR 351.221(b)(4), we determine the following preliminary net subsidy rates for the 2018–2019 administrative review:

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<th>Company</th>
<th>2018 Subsidy Rate (percent ad valorem)</th>
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<tr>
<td>Avid Organics</td>
<td>3.92</td>
<td>4.38</td>
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<td>Private Limited</td>
<td>3.92</td>
<td>4.01</td>
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<td>Kumar Industries (India)</td>
<td>0.00</td>
<td>3.72</td>
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<td>Mulji Mehta Enterprises</td>
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<td>Paras Intermediates Private Limited</td>
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<td>Studio Disrupt</td>
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Assessment Rates

Consistent with section 751(a)(2)(C) of the Act, upon issuance of the final results, Commerce shall determine, and U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) shall assess, countervailing duties on all appropriate entries covered by this review. Commerce intends to issue assessment instructions to CBP no earlier than 35 days after the date of publication of the final results of this review in the Federal Register. If a timely summons is filed at the U.S. Court of International Trade, the assessment instructions will direct CBP not to liquidate relevant entries until the time for parties to file a request for a statutory injunction has expired (i.e., within 90 days of publication).

Cash Deposit Requirements

In accordance with section 751(a)(1) of the Act, Commerce intends to instruct CBP to collect cash deposits of estimated countervailing duties in the amounts shown for 2019 for each of the companies listed above with regard to the subject merchandise entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after the date of publication of the final results of this review. For all non-reviewed firms, we will instruct CBP to continue to collect cash deposits at the most recent company-specific or all-others rate applicable to the company, as appropriate. These cash deposit requirements, when imposed, shall remain in effect until further notice.

Disclosure and Public Comment

We will disclose to parties of this proceeding the calculations performed in reaching the preliminary results within five days of the date of publication of these preliminary results. As a result of the Department’s intention to release a post-preliminary analysis memorandum, interested parties may submit case briefs on both the preliminary results and on the post-preliminary analysis memorandum no later than seven days after the disclosure of the calculations performed in connection with the post-preliminary analysis memorandum. Rebuttal briefs, limited to issues raised in the case briefs, may be filed no later than seven days after the date for filing case briefs.

Parties who submit arguments are requested to submit with the argument: (1) A statement of the issue; (2) a brief summary of the argument; and (3) a table of authorities. Note that Commerce has temporarily modified certain of its requirements for serving documents containing business proprietary information, until further notice.

Interested parties who wish to request a hearing must do so within 30 days after the date of publication of these preliminary results by submitting a written request to the Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance using Enforcement and Compliance’s ACCESS system. Requests should contain the party’s name, address, and telephone number, the number of participants, whether any participant is a foreign national, and a list of the issues to be discussed. Issues raised in the hearing will be limited to those raised in the respective case and rebuttal briefs. If a request for a hearing is made, Commerce intends to hold the hearing at a time and date to be determined. Parties should confirm the date and time of the hearing two days before the scheduled date. Parties are reminded that all briefs and hearing requests must be filed electronically using ACCESS and received successfully in their entirety by 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time on the due date.

Unless the deadline is extended pursuant to section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act, Commerce intends to issue the final results of this administrative review, including the result of our analysis of the issues raised by the parties in their comments, no later than 120 days after the date of publication of this notice, pursuant to section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.213(h), unless this deadline is extended.

Administrative Protective Order

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

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.

Dated: June 30, 2021.

Christian Marsh,
Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance.

Appendix

List of Topics Discussed in the Preliminary Memorandum

I. Summary
II. Background
III. Period of Review
IV. Rate for Non-Examined Companies
V. Subsidies Valuation
VI. Loan Benchmarks and Discount Rates

See also Temporary Rule Modifying AD/CVD Service Requirements Due to COVID–19: Extension of Effective Period, 85 FR 41383 (July 10, 2020) (Temporary Rule).

See Temporary Rule.
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
International Trade Administration

[C–580–879]

Certain Corrosion-Resistant Steel Products From the Republic of Korea: Preliminary Results of Countervailing Duty Administrative Review, 2019

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

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce (Commerce) preliminarily determines that countervailable subsidies are being provided to producers and exporters of certain corrosion-resistant steel products (CORE) from the Republic of Korea. The period of review (POR) is January 1, 2019, through December 31, 2019.


FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dennis McClure or Joshua Simonidis, AD/CVD Operations, Office VIII, Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482–5973 and (202) 482–0608, respectively.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On July 21, 30, and 31, 2020, we received requests for multiple administrative reviews.1 On September 3, 2020, Commerce published a notice of initiation of an administrative review of the countervailing duty (CVD) order on CORE from Korea.2 On October 6, 2020, Commerce selected KG Dongbu Steel Co., Ltd. (KG Dongbu Steel) (formerly Dongbu Steel Co., Ltd.)/Dongbu Incheon Steel Co., Ltd. (collectively, Dongbu) and Hyundai Steel Company as mandatory respondents in this administrative review.3

On March 4, 2021, and March 24, 2021, Commerce extended the deadline for the preliminary results of this review.4 For a complete description of the events that followed the initiation of this review, see the Preliminary Decision Memorandum.5 A list of topics discussed in the Preliminary Decision Memorandum is included at the Appendix I to this notice. 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 http://access.trade.gov. In addition, a complete version of the Preliminary Decision Memorandum can be accessed directly at http://enforcement.trade.gov/frn/.

Scope of the Order

The merchandise covered by the order is certain corrosion-resistant steel products. For a complete description of the scope of the order, see the Preliminary Decision Memorandum.

Methodology

Commerce is conducting this review in accordance with sections 751(a)(i)(A) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act). For each of the subsidy programs found countervailable, we preliminarily determine that there is a subsidy, i.e., a financial contribution from an authority that gives rise to a benefit to the recipient, and that the subsidy is specific.6 For a full description of the methodology underlying our conclusions, see the accompanying Preliminary Decision Memorandum.

Preliminary Rate for Non-Selected Companies Under Review

The statute and Commerce’s regulations do not directly address the CVD rates to be applied to companies not selected for individual examination where Commerce limited its examination in an administrative review pursuant to section 777A(e)(2) of the Act. However, Commerce normally determines the rates for non-selected companies in reviews in a manner that is consistent with section 705(c)(5) of the Act, which provides instructions for calculating the all-others rate in an investigation. Section 777A(e)(2) of the Act provides that “the individual countervailable subsidy rates determined under subparagraph (A) shall be used to determine the all-others rate under section 705(c)(5) of the Act.” Section 705(c)(5)(A) of the Act states that for companies not investigated, in general, we will determine an all-others rate by weight-averaging the countervailable subsidy rates established for each of the companies individually investigated, excluding zero and de minimis rates or any rates based solely on the facts available.

We preliminarily determine that Dongbu is the only mandatory respondent that received countervailable subsidies that are above de minimis. Therefore, we preliminarily determine to apply the net subsidy rate calculated for Dongbu to the non-selected companies. For a list of the 36 companies for which a review was requested, and which were not selected as mandatory respondents or found to be cross-owned with a mandatory respondent, see Appendix II to this notice.

Preliminary Results of the Review

As a result of this review, we preliminarily determine the net countervailable subsidy rates to be:

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<th>Producer/exporter</th>
<th>Subsidy rate (percent)</th>
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<tr>
<td>KG Dongbu Steel Co., Ltd. (formerly Dongbu Steel Co., Ltd.)/Dongbu Incheon Steel Co., Ltd.</td>
<td>10.52</td>
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<tr>
<td>Hyundai Steel Company</td>
<td>0.48</td>
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<tr>
<td>Non-Selected Companies Under Review</td>
<td>10.52</td>
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*(de minimis).

Disclosure and Public Comment

We intend to disclose to interested parties the calculations performed for these preliminary results within five days of the date of publication of this notice in accordance with 19 CFR 351.224(b). Interested parties may submit case briefs no later than 30 days after the date of publication of these preliminary results of review.8 Rebuttals to case briefs may be filed no later than seven days after the case briefs are filed.

3 On October 27, 2020, KG Dongbu Steel reported that it changed its name from Dongbu Steel to KG Dongbu Steel. See Dongbu’s Letter, “Affiliated Companies Response,” dated October 27, 2020.
6 See sections 771(5)(B) and (D) of the Act regarding financial contribution; section 771(5)(E) of the Act regarding benefit; and section 771(5)(A) of the Act regarding specificity.
7 See Appendix II.
8 See 19 CFR 351.309(c).