DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Foreign-Trade Zones Board
[B-52–2020]

Foreign-Trade Zone (FTZ) 38—Spartanburg County, South Carolina; Application for Production Authority; Teijin Carbon Fibers, Inc.; (Polyacrylonitrile-based Carbon Fiber); Invitation for Public Comment

In response to a request from Hexcel Corporation, the FTZ Board is inviting public comment on the rebuttal submission of Teijin Carbon Fibers, Inc. (TCF) (dated July 1, 2021) pursuant to 15 CFR 400.32(c)(2). The rebuttal submission was presented in the context of the FTZ Board’s consideration of the pending application, as amended, requesting certain authority for TCF to produce polyacrylonitrile-based carbon fiber at its facility in Greenwood, South Carolina. In response to this invitation for public comment, parties may also address argument or evidence presented in the application and in other parties’ direct and rebuttal comment submissions in earlier comment periods in this proceeding.1 The application and parties’ submissions may be viewed in the Online FTZ Information System on the FTZ Board’s website (accessible via www.trade.gov/ftz).

Public comment is invited from interested parties. The closing period for their receipt is August 18, 2021. Rebuttal comments in response to material submitted during the foregoing period may be submitted during the subsequent 15-day period to September 2, 2021. Submissions shall be addressed to the Board’s Executive Secretary and sent to: ftz@trade.gov.

For further information, contact Diane Finver at Diane.Finver@trade.gov or (202) 482–1367.

REBUTTAL COMMENTS:

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration
Quarterly Update to Annual Listing of Foreign Government Subsidies on Articles of Cheese Subject to an In-Quota Rate of Duty

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


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On May 12, 2021, the Department of Commerce (Commerce), pursuant to section 702(h) of the Trade Agreements Act of 1979 (as amended) (the Act), published the quarterly update to the annual listing of foreign government subsidies on articles of cheese subject to an in-quota rate of duty covering the period September 1, 2020, through December 31, 2020.1 In the Fourth Quarter 2020 Update, we requested that any party that has information on foreign government subsidy programs that benefit articles of cheese subject to an in-quota rate of duty submit such information to Commerce.2 We received no comments, information, or requests for consultation from any party.

Pursuant to section 702(h) of the Act, we hereby provide Commerce’s update of subsidies on articles of cheese that were imported during the period January 1, 2021, through March 31, 2021. The appendix to this notice lists the country, the subsidy program or programs, and the gross and net amounts of each subsidy for which information is currently available.

Commerce will incorporate additional programs which are found to constitute subsidies, and additional information on the subsidy programs listed, as the information is developed. Commerce encourages any person having information on foreign government subsidy programs which benefit articles of cheese subject to an in-quota rate of duty to submit such information in writing through the Federal eRulemaking Portal at http://www.regulations.gov, Docket No. ITA–2020–0005, “Quarterly Update to Cheese Subject to an In-Quota Rate of Duty.” The materials in the docket will not be edited to remove identifying or contact information, and Commerce cautions against including any information in an electronic submission that the submitter does not want publicly disclosed. Attachments to electronic comments will be accepted in Microsoft Word, Excel, or Adobe PDF formats only. All comments should be addressed to the Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Ave. NW, Washington, DC 20230.

This determination and notice are in accordance with section 702(a) of the Act.

Dated: July 13, 2021.

Christian Marsh,
Acting Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance.

Appendix

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2 See Quarterly Update to Annual Listing of Foreign Government Subsidies on Articles of Cheese Subject to an In-Quota Rate of Duty, 86 FR 26010 (May 12, 2021) (Fourth Quarter 2020 Update).
3 Id.
4 Defined in 19 U.S.C. 1677(5).
6 The 27 member states of the European Union are: Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, and Sweden.
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
International Trade Administration
Passenger Vehicle and Light Truck Tires From the Republic of Korea, Taiwan, and Thailand: Antidumping Duty Orders and Amended Final Affirmative Antidumping Duty Determination for Thailand

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

SUMMARY: Based on affirmative final determinations by the Department of Commerce (Commerce) and the International Trade Commission (ITC), Commerce is issuing antidumping duty orders on passenger vehicle and light truck tires (passenger tires) from the Republic of Korea (Korea), Taiwan, and Thailand. In addition, Commerce is amending its final determination with respect to passenger tires from Thailand to correct a ministerial error.


FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Elfi Blum at (202) 482–0197 (Korea); Lauren Caserta at (202) 482–4737 (Taiwan); and Leo Ayala at (202) 482–3945 (Thailand) AD/CVD Operations, Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20230.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

In accordance with sections 735(d) and 777(i) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act), on May 27, 2021, Commerce published its affirmative final determinations in the less-than-fair-value (LTFV) investigations of passenger tires from Korea, Taiwan, and Thailand. In the investigation of passenger tires from Thailand, Sumitomo Rubber (Thailand), Ltd. (SRT) submitted a timely allegation on ministerial errors in the final AD determination. We reviewed the allegation and determined that we made ministerial errors in the final AD determination on passenger tires from Thailand. See “Amendment to the Final Determination for Thailand” section below for further discussion. On July 12, 2021, the ITC notified Commerce of its final determinations, pursuant to section 735(d) of the Act, that an industry in the United States is materially injured within the meaning of section 735(b)(1)(A)(i) of the Act by reason of LTFV imports of passenger tires from Korea, Taiwan, and Thailand.

Scope of the Orders

The products covered by these orders are passenger tires from Korea, Taiwan, and Thailand. For a complete description of the scope of these orders, see the appendix to this notice.

Amendment to the Final Determination for Thailand

On June 2, 2021, Sumitomo Rubber (Thailand) Co., Ltd. (SRT) timely alleged that Commerce made certain ministerial errors in the Thailand Final Determination with respect to the duty margin assigned to SRT in the passenger tires from Thailand investigation. No other party made an allegation of ministerial errors or submitted a rebuttal to SRT’s ministerial error allegation under 19 CFR 351.224(c)(3). Commerce reviewed the record and, on July 12, 2021, agreed that the errors alleged by SRT constituted ministerial errors within the meaning of section 735(e) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.224(f). Specifically, Commerce found that it made inadvertent errors in calculating SRT’s variable cost of manufacturing and by incorrectly identifying in the margin program which data files to use in calculating SRT’s final dumping margin. Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.224(e), Commerce is amending the Thailand Final Determination to reflect the correction of the ministerial errors, as described in the Ministerial Error Memorandum. Based on the corrections, SRT’s final dumping margin rate changed from 14.62 percent to 14.59 percent. As a result, we are also revising the all-others rate from 17.08 percent to 17.06 percent. The amended estimated weighted-average dumping margins are listed in the “Estimated Weighted-Average Dumping Margins” section below.

Antidumping Duty Orders

On July 12, 2021, in accordance with section 735(d) of the Act, the ITC notified Commerce of its final determinations in these investigations, in which it found that an industry in the United States is materially injured by reason of imports of passenger tires from Korea, Taiwan, and Thailand. Therefore, in accordance with section 735(c)(2) of the Act, Commerce is issuing these antidumping duty orders. Because the ITC determined that imports of passenger tires from Korea, Taiwan, and Thailand are materially injuring a U.S. industry, unliquidated entries of such merchandise from Korea, Taiwan, and Thailand, entered or withdrawn from warehouse for consumption, are subject to the assessment of antidumping duties. Therefore, in accordance with section 736(a)(1) of the Act, Commerce will direct U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) to assess, upon further instruction by Commerce, antidumping duties equal to the amount by which the normal value of the merchandise exceeds the export price (or constructed export price) of the merchandise, for all relevant entries of passenger tires from Korea, Taiwan, and Thailand. With the exception of entries occurring after the expiration of the provisional measures period and before publication of the ITC’s final affirmative injury determinations, as further described below, antidumping duties will be assessed on unliquidated entries of passenger tires from Korea, Taiwan, and Thailand, entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption, on or after January 6, 2021, the date of publication of the Preliminary Determinations.

See ITC Notification Letter.

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