

Establishment of and Updates to the Annual Inquiry Service List

On September 20, 2021, Commerce published the final rule titled “*Regulations to Improve Administration and Enforcement of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Laws*” in the **Federal Register**.⁸ On September 27, 2021, Commerce also published the notice entitled “*Scope Ruling Application; Annual Inquiry Service List; and Informational Sessions*” in the **Federal Register**.⁹ The *Final Rule* and *Procedural Guidance* provide that Commerce will maintain an annual inquiry service list for each order or suspended investigation, and any interested party submitting a scope ruling application or request for circumvention inquiry shall serve a copy of the application or request on the persons on the annual inquiry service list for that order, as well as any companion order covering the same merchandise from the same country of origin.¹⁰

In accordance with the *Procedural Guidance*, for orders published in the **Federal Register** before November 4, 2021, Commerce created an annual inquiry service list segment for each order and suspended investigation. Interested parties who wished to be added to the annual inquiry service list for an order submitted an entry of appearance to the annual inquiry service list segment for the order in ACCESS, and on November 4, 2021, Commerce finalized the initial annual inquiry service lists for each order and suspended investigation. Each annual inquiry service list has been saved as a public service list in ACCESS, under each case number, and under a specific segment type called “AISL-Annual Inquiry Service List.”¹¹

As mentioned in the *Procedural Guidance*, beginning in January 2022, Commerce will update these annual inquiry service lists on an annual basis

⁸ See *Regulations to Improve Administration and Enforcement of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Laws*, 86 FR 52300 (September 20, 2021) (*Final Rule*).

⁹ See *Scope Ruling Application; Annual Inquiry Service List; and Informational Sessions*, 86 FR 53205 (September 27, 2021) (*Procedural Guidance*).

¹⁰ *Id.*

¹¹ This segment has been combined with the ACCESS Segment Specific Information (SSI) field which will display the month in which the notice of the order or suspended investigation was published in the **Federal Register**, also known as the anniversary month. For example, for an order under case number A-000-000 that was published in the **Federal Register** in January, the relevant segment and SSI combination will appear in ACCESS as “AISL-January Anniversary.” Note that there will be only one annual inquiry service list segment per case number, and the anniversary month will be pre-populated in ACCESS.

when the *Opportunity Notice* for the anniversary month of the order or suspended investigation is published in the **Federal Register**.¹² Accordingly, Commerce will update the annual inquiry service lists for the above-listed antidumping and countervailing duty proceedings. All interested parties wishing to appear on the updated annual inquiry service list must take one of the two following actions: (1) new interested parties who did not previously submit an entry of appearance must submit a new entry of appearance at this time; (2) interested parties who were included in the preceding annual inquiry service list must submit an amended entry of appearance to be included in the next year’s annual inquiry service list. For these interested parties, Commerce will change the entry of appearance status from “Active” to “Needs Amendment” for the annual inquiry service lists corresponding to the above-listed proceedings. This will allow those interested parties to make any necessary amendments and resubmit their entries of appearance. If no amendments need to be made, the interested party should indicate in the area on the ACCESS form requesting an explanation for the amendment that it is resubmitting its entry of appearance for inclusion in the annual inquiry service list for the following year. As mentioned in the *Final Rule*,¹³ once the petitioners and foreign governments have submitted an entry of appearance for the first time, they will automatically be added to the updated annual inquiry service list each year.

Interested parties have 30 days after the date of this notice to submit new or amended entries of appearance. Commerce will then finalize the annual inquiry service lists five business days thereafter. For ease of administration, please note that Commerce requests that law firms with more than one attorney representing interested parties in a proceeding designate a lead attorney to be included on the annual inquiry service list.

Commerce may update an annual inquiry service list at any time as needed based on interested parties’ amendments to their entries of appearance to remove or otherwise modify their list of members and representatives, or to update contact information. Any changes or announcements pertaining to these procedures will be posted to the ACCESS website at <https://access.trade.gov>.

¹² See *Procedural Guidance*, 86 FR at 53206.

¹³ See *Final Rule*, 86 FR at 52335.

Special Instructions for Petitioners and Foreign Governments

In the *Final Rule*, Commerce stated that, “after an initial request and placement on the annual inquiry service list, both petitioners and foreign governments will automatically be placed on the annual inquiry service list in the years that follow.”¹⁴ Accordingly, as stated above and pursuant to 19 CFR 351.225(n)(3), the petitioners and foreign governments will not need to resubmit their entries of appearance each year to continue to be included on the annual inquiry service list. However, the petitioners and foreign governments are responsible for making amendments to their entries of appearance during the annual update to the annual inquiry service list in accordance with the procedures described above.

This notice is not required by statute but is published as a service to the international trading community.

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James Maeder,

Deputy Assistant Secretary for Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Operations.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

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Light-Walled Welded Rectangular Carbon Steel Tubing From Taiwan: Rescission of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review; 2022–2023

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

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of Commerce (Commerce) is rescinding the administrative review of the antidumping duty (AD) order on light-walled welded rectangular carbon steel tubing (LWRT) from Taiwan for the period of review (POR) March 1, 2022, through February 28, 2023.

DATES: Applicable December 1, 2023.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Thomas Schauer, AD/CVD Operations, Office I, Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482–0410.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

¹⁴ *Id.*

Background

On March 27, 1989, Commerce published in the **Federal Register** an AD order on LWRT from Taiwan.¹ On March 2, 2023, we published in the **Federal Register** a notice of opportunity to request an administrative review of the *Order*.² On May 9, 2023, based on a timely request for an administrative review, Commerce initiated this administrative review with respect to one company, Hoa Phat Steel Pipe Company Limited (Hoa Phat).³

On May 17, 2023, we placed on the record U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) data for entries of LWRT from Taiwan during the POR, showing no suspended entries, and invited interested parties to comment on the CBP data.⁴ No interested party submitted comments to Commerce. On June 8, 2023, Hoa Phat submitted a certification that it had no exports, sales, or entries during the POR.⁵

On October 2, 2023, Commerce notified all interested parties of its intent to rescind the review in full because there were no suspended entries by any of the companies subject to this review during the POR and invited interested parties to comment on Commerce's intent to rescind.⁶ On October 10, 2023, Hoa Phat submitted comments regarding Commerce's intent to rescind the review.⁷ No other interested parties commented on the Intend to Rescind Memorandum.

Interested-Party Comment

Hoa Phat argues that Commerce should grant Hoa Phat the right to properly certify the origin of the hot-rolled steel used to produce the LWRT exported to the United States during the POR for both past and future entries.⁸ Hoa Phat contends that it requested an administrative review here so that Commerce could determine whether any of Hoa Phat's exports were, in fact, subject to the *Order*, and to reconsider Hoa Phat's eligibility for the hot-rolled

steel certification process.⁹ According to Hoa Phat, Commerce has previously explained that an administrative review is its preferred mechanism for reconsidering certification eligibility.¹⁰ Hoa Phat asserts that, for Commerce to have expressed a preferred path for reconsideration of certification eligibility but then to deny that mechanism for reconsideration to Hoa Phat would be inconsistent with its stated practice and an abuse of discretion.¹¹

We disagree with Hoa Phat. In *LWRT Tubing Circumvention Final*, we stated that, “{b}ecause entries of LWR tubing produced or exported by Hoa Phat currently must be entered as subject to the cash deposit rates established under the *LWRPT China Orders* pursuant to Commerce's {preliminary determination}, Hoa Phat, or any other interested party with standing to request a review of Hoa Phat's entries may request an administrative review of its entries under the *LWRPT China Orders*.”¹² Thus, the proper venue for Commerce to reconsider Hoa Phat's certification eligibility is in the context of administrative reviews of the *LWRPT China Orders*. In fact, Commerce initiated an administrative review of Hoa Phat on each of the *LWRPT China Orders*.¹³

Accordingly, we are rescinding this review because there are no suspended entries during the POR for any of the

companies for which this review has been initiated. Further, Hoa Phat's opportunity to request that Commerce reconsider its eligibility to certify the origin of the hot-rolled steel which it used to produce LWRPT, as provided for in the *LWRT Tubing Circumvention Final*, has not been abrogated, and Hoa Phat's eligibility to certify will be determined in the context of the *LWRPT China Orders* administrative reviews.

Rescission of Review

Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.213(d)(3), it is Commerce's practice to rescind an administrative review of an AD order when there are no suspended entries during the POR for the companies for which the review was initiated.¹⁴ Normally, upon completion of an administrative review, the suspended entries are liquidated at the AD assessment rate calculated for the review period.¹⁵ Therefore, for an administrative review to be conducted, there must be at least one suspended entry for which Commerce can instruct CBP to liquidate at the AD assessment rate calculated for the review period.¹⁶ As noted above, there were no suspended entries for any of the companies subject to this review during the POR. Accordingly, in the absence of suspended entries during the POR, we are hereby rescinding this administrative review, in its entirety, in accordance with 19 CFR 351.213(d)(3).

Assessment

Commerce will instruct CBP to assess antidumping duties on all appropriate entries. Antidumping duties shall be assessed at rates equal to the cash deposit rate of estimated antidumping 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 assessment instructions to CBP no earlier than 35 days after the date of publication of this rescission notice in the **Federal Register**.

Notification Regarding Administrative Protective Order

This notice serves as the only reminder to parties subject to administrative protective order (APO) of their responsibility concerning the disposition of proprietary information

¹ See *Antidumping Duty Order; Light-Walled Welded Rectangular Carbon Steel Tubing From Taiwan*, 54 FR 12467 (March 27, 1989) (*Order*).

² See *Antidumping or Countervailing Duty Order, Finding, or Suspended Investigation; Opportunity To Request Administrative Review and Join Annual Inquiry Service List*, 88 FR 13091 (March 2, 2023).

³ See *Initiation of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Administrative Reviews*, 88 FR 29881, 29884 (May 9, 2023).

⁴ See Memorandum, “U.S. Customs and Border Protection Data Release,” dated May 17, 2023.

⁵ See Hoa Phat's Letter, “Notice of No Sale,” dated June 8, 2023.

⁶ See Memorandum, “Intent to Rescind Review,” dated October 2, 2023.

⁷ See Hoa Phat's Letter, “Comment on Intent to Rescind the Review,” dated October 10, 2023.

⁸ *Id.* at 1–2.

⁹ *Id.* at 2.

¹⁰ *Id.* at 3–4 (citing, e.g., *Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Orders on Crystalline Silicon Photovoltaic Cells, Whether or Not Assembled Into Modules, from the People's Republic of China: Final Scope Determination and Final Affirmative Determinations of Circumvention With Respect to Cambodia, Malaysia, Thailand, and Vietnam*, 88 FR 57419 (August 23, 2023), and accompanying Vietnam Issues and Decision Memorandum (IDM) at Comment 19; and *Certain Hardwood Plywood Products from the People's Republic of China: Final Scope Determination and Affirmative Final Determination of Circumvention of the Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Orders*, 88 FR 46470 (July 20, 2023), and accompanying IDM at Comment 13, Subsection, “Reconsidering Certification Eligibility”).

¹¹ *Id.* at 4.

¹² See *Light-Walled Welded Rectangular Carbon Steel Tubing from Taiwan: Final Affirmative Determination of Circumvention of the Antidumping Duty Order*, 88 FR 77274 (November 9, 2023) (*LWRT Tubing Circumvention Final*), and accompanying IDM at Comment 5 (citing *Light-Walled Rectangular Pipe and Tube from Mexico, the People's Republic of China, and the Republic of Korea: Antidumping Duty Orders; Light-Walled Rectangular Pipe and Tube from the Republic of Korea: Notice of Amended Final Determination of Sales at Less than Fair Value*, 73 FR 45403 (August 5, 2008); and *Light-Walled Rectangular Pipe and Tube from the People's Republic of China: Notice of Countervailing Duty Order*, 73 FR 45405 (August 5, 2008) (collectively, *LWRT China Orders*)).

¹³ See *Initiation of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Administrative Reviews*, 88 FR 71829, 71835, 71837 (October 18, 2023).

¹⁴ See, e.g., *Diocetyl Terephthalate from the Republic of Korea: Rescission of Antidumping Administrative Review; 2021–2022*, 88 FR 24758 (April 24, 2023); see also *Certain Carbon and Alloy Steel Cut-to-Length Plate from the Federal Republic of Germany: Rescission of Antidumping Administrative Review; 2020–2021*, 88 FR 4157 (January 24, 2023).

¹⁵ See 19 CFR 351.212(b)(1).

¹⁶ See 19 CFR 351.213(d)(3).

disclosed under APO in accordance with 19 CFR 351.305(a)(3). Timely written notification of the return or 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 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).

Dated: November 28, 2023.

James Maeder,

Deputy Assistant Secretary for Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Operations.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

Antidumping or Countervailing Duty Order, Finding, or Suspended Investigation; Advance Notification of Sunset Review

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

Background

Every five years, pursuant to the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act), the U.S. Department of Commerce (Commerce) and the U.S. International Trade Commission automatically initiate and conduct reviews to determine whether revocation of a

countervailing or antidumping duty order or termination of an investigation suspended under sections 704 or 734 of the Act would be likely to lead to continuation or recurrence of dumping or a countervailable subsidy (as the case may be) and of material injury.

Upcoming Sunset Reviews for January 2024

Pursuant to section 751(c) of the Act, the following Sunset Reviews are scheduled for initiation in January 2024 and will appear in that month's *Notice of Initiation of Five-Year Sunset Reviews* (Sunset Review).

	Department contact
Antidumping duty proceedings	
Common Alloy Aluminum Sheet from China, A-570-073 (1st Review)	Jacky Arrowsmith, (202) 482-5255.
Rubber Bands from China, A-570-069 (1st Review)	Mary Kolberg, (202) 482-1785.
Rubber Bands from Thailand, A-549-835 (1st Review)	Mary Kolberg, (202) 482-1785.
Truck and Bus Tires from China, A-570-040 (1st Review)	Mary Kolberg, (202) 482-1785.
Countervailing Duty Proceedings	
Common Alloy Aluminum Sheet from China, C-570-074 (1st Review)	Jacky Arrowsmith, (202) 482-5255.
Truck and Bus Tires from China, C-570-041 (1st Review)	Mary Kolberg, (202) 482-1785.
Rubber Bands from China, C-570-070 (1st Review)	Mary Kolberg, (202) 482-1785.
Suspended Investigations	
No Sunset Review of suspended investigations is scheduled for initiation in January 2024.	

Commerce's procedures for the conduct of Sunset Review are set forth in 19 CFR 351.218. The *Notice of Initiation of Five-Year (Sunset) Review* provides further information regarding what is required of all parties to participate in Sunset Review.

Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.103(c), Commerce will maintain and make available a service list for these proceedings. To facilitate the timely preparation of the service list(s), it is requested that those seeking recognition as interested parties to a proceeding contact Commerce in writing within 10 days of the publication of the Notice of Initiation.

Please note that if Commerce receives a Notice of Intent to Participate from a member of the domestic industry within 15 days of the date of initiation, the review will continue.

Thereafter, any interested party wishing to participate in the Sunset Review must provide substantive comments in response to the notice of initiation no later than 30 days after the date of initiation. Note that Commerce has amended certain of its requirements

pertaining to the service of documents in 19 CFR 351.303(f).¹

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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New England Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

¹ *Administrative Protective Order, Service, and Other Procedures in Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Proceedings; Final Rule*, 88 FR 67069 (September 29, 2023).

SUMMARY: The New England Fishery Management Council (Council) is scheduling a public hybrid meeting of its On-Demand Gear Conflict Working Group to consider actions affecting New England fisheries in the exclusive economic zone (EEZ).

Recommendations from this group will be brought to the full Council for formal consideration and action, if appropriate.

DATES: This hybrid meeting will be held on Monday, December 18, 2023, at 9 a.m.

ADDRESSES:

Meeting address: This meeting will be held at the Hilton Garden Inn, 100 Boardman Street, Boston, MA 02128; telephone: (617) 567-6789.

Webinar registration URL information: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/2711271864054869079>.

Council address: New England Fishery Management Council, 50 Water Street, Mill 2, Newburyport, MA 01950.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Cate O'Keefe, Executive Director, New England Fishery Management Council; telephone: (978) 465-0492.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: