

statutory injunction has expired (*i.e.*, within 90 days of publication).

Cash Deposit Requirements

In accordance with section 751(a)(2)(C) of the Act, Commerce also intends upon publication of the final results, to instruct CBP to collect cash deposits of the estimated countervailing duties in the amounts calculated in the final results of this review for the respective companies listed above with regard to shipments of subject merchandise entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after the date of publication of the final results of this review. If the rate calculated in the final results is zero or *de minimis*, no cash deposit will be required on shipments of the subject merchandise entered or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after the date of publication of the final results of this review.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, CBP will continue to collect cash deposits of estimated countervailing duties at the all-others rate or the most recent company-specific rate applicable to the company, as appropriate. These cash deposit requirements, when imposed, shall remain in effect until further notice.

Notification to Interested Parties

These preliminary results of review 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: January 26, 2024.

Abdelali Elouaradia,

Deputy Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

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Sodium Gluconate, Gluconic Acid, and Derivative Products From the People's Republic of China: Final Results of the Expedited First Sunset Review of the Countervailing Duty Order

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

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of Commerce (Commerce) finds that revocation of the countervailing duty (CVD) order on sodium gluconate, gluconic acid, and derivative products (sodium gluconate) from the People's Republic of China (China) would be likely to lead to continuation or recurrence of countervailable subsidies at the levels indicated in the "Final Results of Sunset Review" section of this notice.

DATES: Applicable February 2, 2024.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Stephanie Trejo, AD/CVD Operations, Office IV, Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482-4390.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On November 13, 2018, Commerce published the CVD order on sodium gluconate from China.¹ On October 2, 2023, Commerce published the notice of initiation of the first sunset review of the *Order*, pursuant to section 751(c) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act).² On October 12, 2023, Commerce received a timely notice of intent to participate from PMP Fermentation Products Inc. (the domestic interested party) within the 15-day deadline specified in 19 CFR 351.218(d)(1)(i).³ The domestic interested party claimed interested party status under section 771(9)(C) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.102(b)(29)(v) as producers of the domestic like product.

On November 1, 2023, Commerce received an adequate substantive response to the *Initiation Notice* from

¹ See *Sodium Gluconate, Gluconic Acid and Derivative Products from the People's Republic of China: Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Orders*, 83 FR 56299 (November 13, 2018) (*Order*).

² See *Initiation of Five-Year (Sunset) Reviews*, 88 FR 67729 (October 2, 2023).

³ See Domestic Interested Parties' Letter, "Sodium Gluconate, Gluconic Acid, and Derivative Products from the People's Republic of China—Domestic Interested Parties' Notice of Intent to Participate," dated October 12, 2023.

the domestic interested party within the 30-day deadline specified in 19 CFR 351.218(d)(3)(i).⁴ We received no substantive responses from any other interested parties, and no interested party requested a hearing. On November 17, 2023, Commerce notified the U.S. International Trade Commission that it did not receive an adequate substantive response from respondent interested parties, and that Commerce would conduct an expedited (120-day) sunset review of the *Order*,⁵ pursuant to section 751(c)(3)(B) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.218(e)(1)(ii)(B)–(C).

Scope of the Order

The product covered by the *Order* is sodium gluconate from China. For a complete description of the scope of the *Order*, see the Issues and Decision Memorandum.⁶

Analysis of Comments Received

A complete discussion of all issues raised in this sunset review, including the likelihood of the continuation or recurrence of subsidization in the event of revocation of the *Order* and the countervailable subsidy rates likely to prevail if the *Order* were to be revoked, is provided in the accompanying Issues and Decision Memorandum. A list of the topics discussed in the Issues and Decision Memorandum is attached as an appendix to this notice. The Issues and 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), which is available to registered users at <https://access.trade.gov>. In addition, a complete version of the Issues and Decision Memorandum can be accessed directly at <https://access.trade.gov/public/FRNotices/ListLayout.aspx>.

Final Results of Sunset Review

Pursuant to sections 751(c)(1) and 752(b) of the Act, we determine that revocation of the *Order* would be likely to lead to continuation or recurrence of countervailable subsidies at the

⁴ See Domestic Interested Parties' Letter, "Sodium Gluconate, Gluconic Acid, and Derivative Products from the People's Republic of China—Domestic Interested Parties' Substantive Response," dated November 1, 2023.

⁵ See Commerce's Letter, "Sunset Reviews Initiated on October 2, 2023," dated November 17, 2023.

⁶ See Memorandum, "Decision Memorandum for the Final Results of the First Expedited Sunset Review of the Antidumping Duty Orders on Sodium Gluconate, Gluconic Acid and Derivative Products from the People's Republic of China," dated concurrently with, and hereby adopted by, this notice (Issues and Decision Memorandum).

following net countervailable subsidy rates:

Company	Subsidy rate (percent <i>ad valorem</i>)
Qingdao Dongxiao Enterprise Co., Ltd	194.67
Shandong Fuyang Biotechnology Co	194.67
Shandong Kaison Biochemical Co Ltd	194.67
Tongxiang Hongyu Chemical Co., Ltd	194.67
All Others	194.67

Administrative Protective Order

This notice serves as the only reminder to parties subject to an administrative protective order (APO) of their responsibility concerning the disposition of proprietary information disclosed under APO in accordance with 19 CFR 351.305(a), which continues to govern business proprietary information in this segment of the proceeding. Timely written notification of the 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

Commerce is issuing and publishing these final results and this notice in accordance with sections 751(c), 752(b), and 777(i)(1) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.218.

Dated: January 29, 2024.

Abdelali Elouaradia,

Deputy Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance.

Appendix

List of Topics Discussed in the Issues and Decision Memorandum

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Institute of Standards and Technology

National Artificial Intelligence Advisory Committee

AGENCY: National Institute of Standards and Technology, Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: The National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) announces that the National Artificial Intelligence Advisory Committee (NAIAC or Committee) will hold an open meeting in-person and virtually via web conference on February 22, 2024, from 9 a.m.–4 p.m. eastern time. The primary purpose of this meeting is for the Committee to report working group findings, identify actionable recommendations, receive public briefings and receive an update from the NAIAC Law Enforcement Subcommittee. The final agenda will be posted to the NAIAC website: ai.gov/naiac/.

DATES: The meeting will be held on Thursday, February 22, 2024, from 9 a.m.–4 p.m. eastern time.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held in-person and virtually via web conference from the U.S. Department of Commerce, Herbert C. Hoover Federal Building, located at 1401 Constitution Ave. NW, Washington, DC 20230. For instructions on how to attend and/or participate in the meeting, please see the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section of this notice.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended, 5 U.S.C. 1001 *et seq.*, notice is hereby given that the NAIAC will meet on Thursday, February 22, 2024, from 9 a.m.–4 p.m. eastern time. The meeting will be open to the public and will be held in-person and virtually via web conference. The primary purpose of this meeting is for the Committee to report working group findings, identify actionable recommendations, receive public briefings and receive an update from the

NAIAC Law Enforcement Subcommittee. The final agenda and meeting time will be posted to the NAIAC website: <https://www.nist.gov/itl/national-artificial-intelligence-advisory-committee-naiac>.

The NAIAC is authorized by section 5104 of the National Artificial Intelligence Initiative Act of 2020 (Pub. L. 116–283), in accordance with the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (FACA), 5 U.S.C. 1001 *et seq.* The Committee advises the President and the National Artificial Intelligence Initiative Office on matters related to the National Artificial Intelligence Initiative. Additional information on the NAIAC is available at ai.gov/naiac/.

Comments: The National Artificial Intelligence Advisory Committee (NAIAC) Workforce and Opportunity Working Group seeks public feedback into ways the nation can support people's lifetime employment and career success as they navigate changes in jobs and the economy brought on by AI, automation, and other factors. The Working Group would appreciate receiving expressions of interest in participating in public dialogues throughout 2024 addressing the following:

1. Perspectives from workers on the impact of automation, AI, and other factors in their lives, jobs, and careers. This could include feedback on the nature and quality of support programs and resources available to them and ideas for how employers, government, and other stakeholders can help them today.

2. Ideas for new frontiers for supporting workers, career pathways, and otherwise expanding opportunity as AI changes the economy and nature of work. This could include: explaining data and knowledge gaps that, if closed, would help workers, organizations, policymakers, and others make better, data-informed decisions; and, elaborating on nascent ideas and innovations with the potential for national impact and scale.

Individuals and representatives of organizations who would like to offer comments and suggestions related to items on the Committee's agenda for this meeting are invited to submit comments in advance of the meeting. Approximately ten minutes will be reserved for public comments, which will be read on a first-come, first-served basis. Please note that all comments submitted via email will be treated as public documents and will be made available for public inspection. All comments must be submitted via email with the subject line "February 22,