

**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

**International Trade Administration**

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**Seamless Carbon and Alloy Steel Standard, Line, and Pressure Pipe From Ukraine: Final Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review; 2021–2022**

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

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Department of Commerce (Commerce) determines that seamless carbon and alloy steel standard, line, and pressure pipe (seamless pipe) from Ukraine was sold at prices below normal value during the period of review (POR) February 10, 2021, through July 31, 2022.

**DATES:** Applicable March 6, 2024.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Reginald Anadio, 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) 482-3166.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Background**

On September 7, 2023, Commerce published the *Preliminary Results* of this administrative review in the **Federal Register**.<sup>1</sup> Interpipe,<sup>2</sup> the sole mandatory respondent under review, and the domestic interested party Vallourec Star, L.P. (Vallourec), each submitted comments on the *Preliminary Results*.<sup>3</sup> For a description of the events since the *Preliminary Results*, as well as a full discussion of the issues raised by parties for these final results of review, see the Issues and Decision Memorandum.<sup>4</sup> Commerce conducted this review in accordance with section

<sup>1</sup> See *Seamless Carbon and Alloy Steel Standard, Line, and Pressure Pipe from Ukraine: Preliminary Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review; 2021–2022* 88 FR 61503 (September 7, 2023) (*Preliminary Results*), and accompanying Preliminary Decision Memorandum (PDM).

<sup>2</sup> Interpipe refers to the collapsed entity, Interpipe Ukraine LLC, PJSC Interpipe Nizhnedneprovsky Tube Rolling Plant, LLC Interpipe Niko Tube, and Interpipe Europe S.A. See *Preliminary Results* PDM at the sections titled “Summary” and “Affiliation/Single Entity.”

<sup>3</sup> See Interpipe’s Letter, “Case Brief for Interpipe,” dated October 10, 2023; see also Vallourec’s Letter, “Petitioner’s Rebuttal Brief,” dated October 17, 2023.

<sup>4</sup> See Memorandum, “Issues and Decision Memorandum for the Final Results of the 2021–2022 Administrative Review of the Antidumping Duty Order on Seamless Carbon and Alloy Steel Standard, Line, and Pressure Pipe from Ukraine,” dated concurrently with, and hereby adopted by, this notice (Issues and Decision Memorandum).

751(a) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act).

**Scope of the Order**<sup>5</sup>

The merchandise covered by the scope of the *Order* is seamless pipe from Ukraine. For a full description of the scope, see the Issues and Decision Memorandum.

**Analysis of Comments Received**

All issues raised in Interpipe’s case brief and Vallourec’s rebuttal brief are addressed in the Issues and Decision Memorandum. A list of these issues 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). ACCESS 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/FRNoticesListLayout.aspx>.

**Final Results of Review**

We determine that the following weighted-average dumping margin exists for the period February 10, 2021, through July 31, 2022:

Exporter/producer	Weighted-average dumping margin (percent)
Interpipe Ukraine LLC/LJSC Interpipe Nizhnedneprovsky Tube Rolling Plant/LLC Interpipe Niko Tube/ Interpipe Europe S.A. ....	4.99

**Disclosure**

Because Commerce made no changes to the *Preliminary Results*, we have not modified our preliminary weighted-average dumping margin calculation. We are adopting the *Preliminary Results* as the final results of this review. Consequently, there are no calculations to disclose in accordance with 19 CFR 351.224(b) for these final results.

**Assessment Rates**

Pursuant to section 751(a)(2)(C) of the Act, and 19 CFR 351.212(b)(1), Commerce has determined, and U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) shall assess, antidumping duties on all appropriate entries of subject

<sup>5</sup> See *Seamless Carbon and Alloy Steel Standard, Line, and Pressure Pipe from the Republic of Korea, the Russian Federation, and Ukraine: Antidumping Duty Orders*, 86 FR 47055 (August 23, 2021) (*Order*).

merchandise in accordance with these final results of review.<sup>6</sup> We will calculate importer-specific *ad valorem* assessment rates for the merchandise by dividing the total amount of antidumping duties calculated for all reviewed sales to the importer by the total entered value of the merchandise sold to the importer, in accordance with 19 CFR 351.212(b)(1). Where an importer-specific *ad valorem* assessment rate is not zero or *de minimis*, Commerce will instruct CBP to collect the appropriate duties at the time of liquidation. Where an importer-specific *ad valorem* assessment rate is zero or *de minimis*, we will instruct CBP to liquidate the appropriate entries without regard to antidumping duties.<sup>7</sup>

In accordance with Commerce’s “automatic assessment” practice, we will instruct CBP to liquidate POR entries of subject merchandise which Interpipe produced and sold but did not know was destined for the United States, at the all-others rate (*i.e.*, 23.75 percent)<sup>8</sup> if there is no rate for the intermediate company(ies) involved in the transaction.<sup>9</sup>

Commerce intends to issue assessment instructions to CBP no earlier than 35 days after the date of publication of this notice 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**

The following cash deposit requirements will be effective for all shipments of the subject merchandise entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after the publication date of this notice in the **Federal Register**, as provided by section 751(a)(2)(C) of the Act: (1) the cash deposit rate for Interpipe will be equal to the weighted-average dumping margin listed in the table above; (2) for companies that were previously reviewed or investigated in this proceeding that are not listed in the table above, the cash deposit rate will continue to be the rate assigned to the company in the most recently

<sup>6</sup> See *Antidumping Proceeding: Calculation of the Weighted-Average Dumping Margin and Assessment Rate in Certain Antidumping Duty Proceedings; Final Modification*, 77 FR 8101 (February 14, 2012).

<sup>7</sup> *Id.*, 77 FR 8101, 8102; see also 19 CFR 351.106(c)(2).

<sup>8</sup> See *Order*, 86 FR 47055.

<sup>9</sup> See *Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Proceedings: Assessment of Antidumping Duties*, 68 FR 23954 (May 6, 2003).

completed segment of this proceeding in which the company was examined; (3) if the exporter of the subject merchandise does not have a company-specific rate but the producer of the subject merchandise does, then the cash deposit rate will be the rate assigned to the producer of the subject merchandise in the most recently completed segment of this proceeding in which the producer was examined; and (4) the cash deposit rate for all other producers or exporters will continue to be the all-others rate of 23.75 percent that was established in the less-than-fair-value investigation in this proceeding.<sup>10</sup> These cash deposit requirements, when imposed, shall remain in effect until further notice.

#### Notification to Importers

This notice serves as a final reminder to importers of their responsibility under 19 CFR 351.402(f)(2) to file a certificate regarding the reimbursement of antidumping duties prior to liquidation of the relevant entries during this review period. Failure to comply with this requirement could result in Commerce's presumption that reimbursement of antidumping duties occurred and the subsequent assessment of double antidumping duties.

#### 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)(3), which continues to govern business proprietary information in this segment of the proceeding. 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 the terms of an APO is a sanctionable violation.

#### Notification to Interested Parties

We are issuing and publishing these final results of review in accordance with sections 751(a)(1) and 777(i) of the Act, and 19 CFR 351.221(b)(5).

Dated: February 29, 2024.

#### Ryan Majerus,

*Deputy Assistant Secretary for Policy and Negotiations, performing the non-exclusive functions and duties of the Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance.*

#### Appendix

##### List of Topics Discussed in the Issues and Decision Memorandum

- I. Summary
- II. Background
- III. Scope of the Order
- IV. Discussion of the Issue
  - Comment: Whether to Grant Interpipe a Constructed Export Price (CEP) Offset
- V. Recommendation

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#### DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

##### National Institute of Standards and Technology

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##### Proposed Revision to Voluntary Product Standard (PS) 20-20 "American Softwood Lumber Standard"

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

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** This notice advises the public that the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) is seeking comments for the proposed revision of Voluntary Product Standard (PS) 20-20, "American Softwood Lumber Standard." This standard, prepared by the American Lumber Standard Committee, serves the procurement and regulatory needs of numerous Federal, State, and local government agencies by providing for uniform, industry-wide grade-marking and inspection requirements for softwood lumber. The implementation of the standard also allows for uniform labeling and auditing of treated wood and, through a Memorandum of Understanding with the U.S. Department of Agriculture, labeling and auditing of wood packaging materials for international trade. As part of a five-year review process, NIST is seeking public comment and invites interested parties to review the revised standard and submit comments.

**DATES:** Written comments regarding the proposed revision, PS 20-25, should be submitted to the Standards Coordination Office, NIST, no later than April 22, 2024.

**ADDRESSES:** An electronic copy (in PDF) of the current standard, PS 20-20, can

be obtained at the following website <https://www.nist.gov/standardsgov/voluntary-product-standards-program>. Written comments on the standard should be submitted to Nathalie Rioux via email to [standards@nist.gov](mailto:standards@nist.gov) or via mail to Standards Coordination Office, NIST, 100 Bureau Drive, Stop 2150, Gaithersburg, MD 20899-2150.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Nathalie Rioux, Standards Coordination Office, National Institute of Standards and Technology, email: [standards@nist.gov](mailto:standards@nist.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Under Department of Commerce regulations codified in title 15, Code of Federal Regulations, part 10, *Procedures for the Development of Voluntary Product Standards*, and administered by NIST, the American Lumber Standard Committee acts as the Standing Committee for PS 20-20, *American Softwood Lumber Standard*, responsible for maintaining, revising, and interpreting the standard. The Committee is comprised of producers, distributors, users, and others with an interest in the standard.

Voluntary Product Standard (PS) 20-20 establishes standard sizes and requirements for developing and coordinating the lumber grades of the various species of lumber, the assignment of design values, and the preparation of grading rules applicable to each species. Its provisions include implementation of the standard through an accreditation and certification program; establishment of principal trade classifications and lumber sizes for yard, structural, and factory/shop use; classification, measurement, grading, and grade-marking of lumber; definitions of terms and procedures to provide a basis for the use of uniform methods in the grading inspection, measurement, and description of softwood lumber; commercial names of the principal softwood species; definitions of terms used in describing standard grades of lumber; and commonly used industry abbreviations. The standard also includes the organization and functions of the American Lumber Standard Committee, the Board of Review, and the National Grading Rule Committee.

All public comments will be reviewed and considered. All comments, including attachments will be accepted in Microsoft word, or Adobe PDF formats. Comments containing references, studies, research, and other empirical data that are not widely published should include copies or electronic links of the referenced materials.

<sup>10</sup> See Order, 84 FR at 47057.