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#### DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

##### Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[B-53-2025]

##### Foreign-Trade Zone (FTZ) 30, Notification of Proposed Production Activity; Boart Longyear Company; (Diamond Drill Bits); West Valley City, Utah

Boart Longyear Company submitted a notification of proposed production activity to the FTZ Board (the Board) for its facility in West Valley City, Utah, within FTZ 30. The notification conforming to the requirements of the Board's regulations (15 CFR 400.22) was received on December 2, 2025.

Pursuant to 15 CFR 400.14(b), FTZ production activity would be limited to the specific foreign-status material(s)/component(s) and specific finished product(s) described in the submitted notification (summarized below) and subsequently authorized by the Board. The benefits that may stem from conducting production activity under FTZ procedures are explained in the background section of the Board's website—accessible via [www.trade.gov/ftz](http://www.trade.gov/ftz).

The proposed finished product is diamond drill bits (duty rate 5.0%).

The proposed foreign-status materials/components include graphite rods for machining into molds, graphite molds, synthetic industrial diamonds used for drill bits, diamond powder, and tungsten powder (duty rate ranges from duty-free to 7.0%). The request indicates that certain materials/components are subject to duties under section 1702(a)(1)(B) of the International Emergency Economic Powers Act (section 1702), or section 301 of the Trade Act of 1974 (section 301), depending on the country of origin. The applicable section 1702 and section 301 decisions require subject merchandise to be admitted to FTZs in privileged foreign (PF) status (19 CFR 146.41). The request also indicates that graphite rods are subject to an antidumping/countervailing duty (AD/CVD) order/ investigation if imported from the People's Republic of China. The Board's regulations (15 CFR 400.13(c)(2)) require that merchandise subject to AD/CVD orders, or items which would be

otherwise subject to suspension of liquidation under AD/CVD procedures if they entered U.S. customs territory, be admitted to the zone in PF status.

Public comment is invited from interested parties. Submissions shall be addressed to the Board's Executive Secretary and sent to: [ftz@trade.gov](mailto:ftz@trade.gov). The closing period for their receipt is February 9, 2026.

A copy of the notification will be available for public inspection in the "Online FTZ Information System" section of the Board's website.

For further information, contact Juanita Chen at [juanita.chen@trade.gov](mailto:juanita.chen@trade.gov).

Dated: December 15, 2025.

**Elizabeth Whiteman,**  
*Executive Secretary.*

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#### DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

##### International Trade Administration

[C-351-865]

##### Hard Empty Capsules From Brazil: Final Affirmative Countervailing Duty Determination

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

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Department of Commerce (Commerce) determines that countervailable subsidies are being provided to producers and exporters of hard empty capsules (capsules) from Brazil. The period of investigation (POI) is January 1, 2023, through December 31, 2023.

**DATES:** Applicable December 29, 2025.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Samuel Evans, AD/CVD Operations, Office IX, Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482-2420.

##### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### Background

On March 31, 2025, Commerce published the *Preliminary Determination* in the **Federal Register** and invited interested parties to comment.<sup>1</sup> In the *Preliminary Determination*, and in accordance with section 705(a)(1) of the Tariff Act of

<sup>1</sup> See *Hard Empty Capsules from Brazil: Preliminary Affirmative Countervailing Duty Determination and Alignment of Final Determination with Final Antidumping Duty Determination*, 90 FR 14235 (March 31, 2025) (*Preliminary Determination*), and accompanying Preliminary Decision Memorandum (PDM).