

service list segment for the order in ACCESS within 30 days after the date of publication of the order. For ease of administration, Commerce requests that law firms with more than one attorney representing interested parties in an order designate a lead attorney to be included on the annual inquiry service list. Commerce will finalize the annual inquiry service list within five business days thereafter. As mentioned in the *Procedural Guidance*, the new annual inquiry service list will be in place until the following year, when the *Opportunity Notice* for the anniversary month of the order is published.

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.

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."¹² Accordingly, as stated above, the petitioners and foreign governments should submit their initial entry of appearance after publication of this notice in order to appear in the first annual inquiry service list. 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.

Notification to Interested Parties

This notice constitutes the CVD orders with respect to capsules from Brazil, China, India, and Vietnam, pursuant to section 706(a) of the Act. Interested parties can find a list of CVD orders currently in effect at <https://www.trade.gov/data-visualization/adcvd-proceedings>.

These CVD orders are published in accordance with section 706(a) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.211(b).

Dated: February 17, 2026.

Christopher Abbott,

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

Appendix

Scope of the Orders

The merchandise subject to the scope of these orders is hard empty capsules, which are comprised of two prefabricated, hollowed cylindrical sections (cap and body). The cap and body pieces each have one closed and rounded end and one open end, and are constructed with different or equal diameters at their open ends.

Hard empty capsules are unfilled cylindrical shells composed of at least 80 percent by weight of a water soluble polymer that is considered non-toxic and appropriate for human or animal consumption by the United States Pharmacopeia—National Formulary (USP–NF), Food Chemical Codex (FCC), or equivalent standards. The most common polymer materials in hard empty capsules are gelatin derived from animal collagen (including, but not limited to, pig, cow, or fish collagen), hydroxypropyl methylcellulose (HPMC), and pullulan.

Hard empty capsules may also contain water and additives, such as opacifiers, colorants, processing aids, controlled release agents, plasticizers, and preservatives. Hard empty capsules may also be imprinted or otherwise decorated with markings.

Hard empty capsules are covered by the scope of these orders regardless of polymer material, additives, transparency, opacity, color, imprinting, or other markings.

Hard empty capsules are also covered by the scope of these orders regardless of their size, weight, length, diameter, thickness, and filling capacity.

Cap and body pieces of hard empty capsules are covered by the scope of these orders regardless of whether they are imported together or separately, and regardless of whether they are imported in attached or detached form.

Hard empty capsules covered by the scope of these orders are those that disintegrate in water, simulated intestinal fluid, simulated gastric fluid, or other similar water-based (*i.e.*, aqueous) fluids within 2 hours under tests specified in Chapter 701 of the USP–NF, or equivalent disintegration tests.

Hard empty capsules are classifiable under subheadings 9602.00.1040 and 9602.00.5010 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS). In addition, hard empty capsules may be imported under HTSUS subheading 1905.90.9090; gelatin hard empty capsules may be imported under HTSUS subheading 3503.00.5510; HPMC hard empty capsules may be imported under HTSUS subheading 3923.90.0080; and pullulan hard empty capsules may be imported under HTSUS subheading 2106.90.9998. Although the HTSUS subheadings are provided for convenience

and customs purposes, the written description of the merchandise covered by these orders is dispositive.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

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Citric Acid and Certain Citrate Salts From Thailand: Final Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review; 2023–2024

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

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of Commerce (Commerce) determines that producers and exporters subject to this administrative review did not make sales of subject merchandise at prices below normal value (NV) during the period of review (POR), July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024.

DATES: Applicable February 23, 2026.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Joy Zhang or Anjali Mehindiratta, AD/CVD Operations, Office III, Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482–1168 or (202) 482–9127, respectively.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On August 20, 2025, Commerce published the preliminary results of the 2023–2024 administrative review of the antidumping duty order on citric acid and certain citrate salts (citric acid) from Thailand¹ in the **Federal Register** and invited interested parties to comment.² We received no comments from interested parties on the *Preliminary Results*, and we have made no changes to the *Preliminary Results*. Accordingly, no decision memorandum accompanies this **Federal Register** notice. The *Preliminary Results* are hereby adopted in these final results. Commerce conducted this administrative review in accordance with section 751(a) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act).

¹ See *Citric Acid and Certain Citrate Salts from Belgium, Colombia and Thailand: Antidumping Duty Orders*, 83 FR 35214 (July 25, 2018) (*Order*).

² See *Citric Acid and Certain Citrate Salts from Thailand: Preliminary Results and Partial Recission of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review; 2023–2024*, 90 FR 40561 (August 20, 2025) (*Preliminary Results*), and accompanying Preliminary Decision Memorandum (PDM).

¹² See *Final Rule*, 86 FR at 52335.

Due to the lapse in appropriations and Federal Government shutdown, Commerce tolled all deadlines in administrative proceedings by 47 days.³ Further, due to a backlog of documents that were electronically filed via Enforcement and Compliance's Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Centralized Electronic Service System (ACCESS) during the Federal Government shutdown, on November 24, 2025, Commerce tolled all deadlines in administrative proceedings by an additional 21 days.⁴ Accordingly, the deadline for these final results is now February 24, 2026.

Scope of the Order

The merchandise covered by this Order includes all grades and granulation sizes of citric acid, sodium citrate, and potassium citrate in their unblended forms, whether dry or in solution, and regardless of packaging type. For a full description of the scope of the Order, see the *Preliminary Results PDM*.

Rate for Non-Selected Company

The Act and Commerce's regulations do not directly address the establishment of a rate to be applied to individual companies not selected for examination when Commerce limits its examination in an administrative review pursuant to section 777A(c)(2) of the Act. Generally, Commerce looks to section 735(c)(5) of the Act, which provides instructions for calculating the all-others rate in a market economy investigation, for guidance when calculating the rate for companies which were not selected for individual review in an administrative review. Under section 735(c)(5)(A) of the Act, the all-others rate is normally "an amount equal to the weighted average of the estimated weighted-average dumping margins established for exporters and producers individually investigated, excluding any zero or *de minimis* margins, and any margins determined entirely {on the basis of facts available}."

In this administrative review, we calculated dumping margins of zero percent for both mandatory respondents: COFCO Biochemical (Thailand) Co., Ltd. (COFCO) and Sunshine Biotech International Co., Ltd. (Sunshine). Thus, in accordance with the expected method, and consistent with the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit's decision in

Albemarle,⁵ we assign to Xitrical Group Co. LTD., the sole non-selected company under review, a zero percent rate, based on the rates calculated for the two mandatory respondents.

Final Results of Review

We determine that the following estimated weighted-average dumping margins exist for the period July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2024:

Producer/exporter	Weighted-average dumping margin (percent)
COFCO Biochemical (Thailand) Co., Ltd	0.00
Sunshine Biotech International Co., Ltd	0.00
Xitrical Group Co. LTD	0.00

Disclosure

Normally, Commerce discloses to interested parties the calculations of the final results of an administrative review within five days of a public announcement or, if there is no public announcement, within five days of the date of publication of the notice of final results in the **Federal Register**, in accordance with 19 CFR 351.224(b). However, because we have made no changes to the *Preliminary Results*, there are no calculations to disclose.

Assessment Rates

Consistent with section 751(a)(2)(C) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.212(b), upon completion of the administrative review, Commerce shall determine, and U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) shall assess, antidumping duties on all appropriate entries of subject merchandise covered this review. Because the respondents' weighted-average dumping margins or importer-specific assessment rates are zero or *de minimis* in the final results of review, we intend to instruct CBP to liquidate entries without regard to antidumping duties.⁶ The final results of this administrative review shall be the basis for the assessment of antidumping duties on entries of merchandise covered by the final results of this

review and for future deposits of estimated duties, where applicable.⁷

In accordance with Commerce's "automatic assessment" practice, for entries of subject merchandise during the POR produced by each respondent which did not know that its merchandise was destined for the United States, we will instruct CBP to liquidate entries not reviewed at the all-others rate established in the original less-than-fair value (LTFV) investigation (*i.e.*, 11.25 percent)⁸ if there is no rate for the intermediate company(ies) involved in the transaction.

Commerce intends to issue assessment instructions to CBP no earlier than 35 days after the date of publication of these final results of this review 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 upon publication in the **Federal Register** of the notice of final results of administrative review for all shipments of citric acid from Thailand entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after the date of publication as provided for by section 751(a)(2)(C) of the Act: (1) the cash deposit rate for the companies listed above will be equal to the weighted-average dumping margin established in the final results of this administrative review (*i.e.*, 0.00 percent); (2) for merchandise exported by a company not covered in this review but covered in a prior completed segment of the proceeding, the cash deposit rate will continue to be the company-specific rate published in the completed segment for the most recent period; (3) if the exporter is not a firm covered in this review or another completed segment of this proceeding, but the producer is, then the cash deposit rate will be the company-specific rate established for the completed segment for the most recent period for the producer of the merchandise; and (4) the cash deposit rate for all other producers or exporters will continue to be 11.25 percent, the all-others rate established in the less-than-fair-value investigation.⁹ These cash deposit requirements, when

⁵ See *Albemarle Corp. v. United States*, 821 F.3d 1345, 1352 (Fed. Cir. 2016) (*Albemarle*) (holding that Commerce may only use "other reasonable methods" if it reasonably concludes that the expected method is "not feasible" or "would not be reasonably reflective of potential dumping margins").

⁶ See *Antidumping Proceedings: Calculation of the Weighted-Average Dumping Margin and Assessment Rate in Certain Antidumping Proceedings; Final Modification*, 77 FR 8101, 8102–03 (February 14, 2012); see also 19 CFR 351.106(c)(2).

³ See Memorandum, "Deadlines Affected by the Shutdown of the Federal Government," dated November 14, 2025.

⁴ See Memorandum, "Tolling of all Case Deadlines," dated November 24, 2025.

⁷ See section 751(a)(2)(C) of the Act.

⁸ See *Order*, 83 FR at 35215.

⁹ *Id.*

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 the POR. 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 (APO)

This notice also serves as a final reminder to parties subject to an APO of their responsibility concerning the return or destruction of proprietary information 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

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

Dated: February 13, 2026.

Christopher Abbott,

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

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[A-762-001]

Silicon Metal From Angola: Final Affirmative Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value and Classification of Angola as a Non-Market Economy

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

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of Commerce (Commerce) determines that silicon metal from Angola is being, or is likely to be, sold in the United States at less than fair value (LTFV). The period of investigation is April 1, 2024, through March 31, 2025. Commerce has also determined to treat Angola as a non-

market economy (NME) in forthcoming proceedings.

DATES: Applicable February 23, 2026.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Christopher Doyle, 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) 482-5882.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On September 30, 2025, Commerce published the *Preliminary Determination* of sales at LTFV of silicon metal from Angola and invited interested parties to comment.¹ No interested party submitted comments on the *Preliminary Determination*. Accordingly, the final determination remains unchanged from the *Preliminary Determination* and, thus, there is no decision memorandum accompanying this notice.

Due to the lapse in appropriations and Federal Government shutdown, on November 14, 2025, Commerce tolled all deadlines in administrative proceedings by 47 days.² Additionally, due to a backlog of documents that were electronically filed via Enforcement and Compliance's Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Centralized Electronic Access System (ACCESS) during the Federal Government shutdown, on November 24, 2025, Commerce tolled all deadlines in administrative proceedings by an additional 21 days.³ Accordingly, the deadline for the final determination is now February 17, 2026.

On February 5, 2026, Commerce solicited surrogate country and surrogate value information from interested parties,⁴ and we received comments from the petitioners, Ferroglobe USA, Inc. and Mississippi Silicon LLC.⁵

¹ See *Silicon Metal from Angola: Preliminary Affirmative Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value*, 90 FR 46810 (September 30, 2025) (*Preliminary Determination*); see also *Silicon Metal from Angola: Preliminary Affirmative Determination of Sales at Less-Than-Fair-Value; Correction*, 90 FR 52913 (November 24, 2025) (correcting the end date of the POI listed in the *Preliminary Determination*).

² See Memorandum, "Deadlines Affected by the Shutdown of the Federal Government," dated November 14, 2025.

³ See Memorandum, "Tolling of all Case Deadlines," dated November 24, 2025.

⁴ See Commerce's Letter, "Request for Surrogate Country and Surrogate Value Information," dated February 5, 2026; see also Commerce's Letter, "Revised Request for Surrogate Country and Surrogate Value Information," dated February 6, 2026.

⁵ See Petitioners' Letter, "Response to Request for Surrogate Country and Surrogate Value Information," dated February 10, 2026.

Scope of the Investigation

The product covered by this investigation is silicon metal from Angola. For a complete description of the scope of this investigation, see the appendix to this notice.

Scope Comments

We received no comments from interested parties on the scope of the investigation as it appeared in the *Preliminary Determination*. Therefore, we made no changes to the scope of the investigation.

Verification

As Commerce had no participating respondents in this investigation, no on-site verification was conducted.

Use of Adverse Facts Available (AFA)

As discussed in the *Preliminary Determination*, Commerce preliminarily assigned to PC Silicon Co. Limited (PC Silicon) and Wanhongda International Limited (Wanhongda), two companies that did not respond to our quantity and value questionnaire, estimated weighted-average dumping margins on the basis of AFA pursuant to sections 776(a) and (b) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act).⁶ There is no new information on the record that would cause us to revisit our decision in the *Preliminary Determination*. Accordingly, for this final determination, we continue to find that the application of AFA, pursuant to sections 776(a) and (b) of the Act, is warranted with respect to PC Silicon and Wanhongda in this investigation.

All-Others Rate

Section 735(c)(5)(A) of the Act provides that the estimated weighted-average dumping margin for all other producers and exporters not individually investigated shall be equal to the weighted average of the estimated weighted-average dumping margins established for exporters and producers individually investigated excluding rates that are zero, *de minimis*, or determined entirely under section 776 of the Act.

In the *Preliminary Determination*, we assigned an estimated weighted-average dumping margin of 68.45 percent as the all-others rate, pursuant to section 735(c)(5)(B) of the Act.⁷ As noted above, we received no comments on the *Preliminary Determination*; thus, we continue to assign an estimated weighted-average dumping margin of

⁶ See *Preliminary Determination*, 90 FR at 46810.

⁷ *Id.*