

Extension of Time Limits for Final Results

Under section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act) the Department may extend the deadline for completion of an administrative review if it determines that it is not practicable to complete the final results of the review within the statutory time limit of 120 days after the publication of the preliminary results in the **Federal Register**. We are currently analyzing information submitted by interested parties in this review. This administrative review is extraordinarily complicated due to the unique nature of the countervailable subsidy practices being examined in this review. The Department finds that it needs additional time to consider the exceedingly complex issues raised in the case and rebuttal briefs regarding entrustment and direction. Moreover, record evidence relating to equityworthiness and creditworthiness is voluminous and time intensive to evaluate. Therefore, it is not practicable to complete this review within the time limit mandated by section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act. Accordingly, the Department is extending the time limit for completion of these final results for 60 days (*i.e.*, until March 14, 2006).

This extension is in accordance with section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act.

Dated: November 8, 2005.

Stephen J. Claeys,

Deputy Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

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Certain Pasta from Italy: Notice of Partial Rescission of Countervailing Duty Administrative Review

AGENCY: Import Administration, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

SUMMARY: In response to a request made on July 29, 2005, by Pastificio Antonio Pallante, S.r.L., the Department of Commerce initiated an administrative review of the countervailing duty order on certain pasta from Italy, covering the period January 1, 2004, through December 31, 2004. *See Initiation of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Administrative Reviews and Requests for Revocation in Part*, 70 FR 51009 (August 29, 2005). As a result of a timely withdrawal of the request for

review by Pastificio Antonio Pallante, S.r.L., we are rescinding this review, in part.

EFFECTIVE DATE: November 16, 2005.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Brandon Farlander or Marc Rivitz, AD/CVD Operations, Office 1, Import Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230; telephone (202) 482-0182 and (202) 482-1382, respectively.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On July 24, 1996, the Department of Commerce ("the Department") published a countervailing duty order on certain pasta from Italy. *See Notice of Countervailing Duty Order and Amended Final Affirmative Countervailing Duty Determination: Certain Pasta ("Pasta") From Italy*, 61 FR 38543 (July 24, 1996). On July 29, 2005, Pastificio Antonio Pallante, S.r.L., requested an administrative review of the countervailing duty order on certain pasta from Italy covering the period January 1, 2004, through December 31, 2004. In accordance with 19 CFR 351.221(c)(1)(i), we published a notice of initiation of the review on August 29, 2005. *See Initiation of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Administrative Reviews and Requests for Revocation in Part*, 70 FR 51009 (August 29, 2005). On October 25, 2005, Pastificio Antonio Pallante, S.r.L. withdrew its request for review. No other party requested a review for Pastificio Antonio Pallante, S.r.L.

Scope

Imports covered by this order are shipments of certain non-egg dry pasta in packages of five pounds (2.27 kilograms) or less, whether or not enriched or fortified or containing milk or other optional ingredients such as chopped vegetables, vegetable purees, milk, gluten, diastases, vitamins, coloring and flavorings, and up to two percent egg white. The pasta covered by this scope is typically sold in the retail market, in fiberboard or cardboard cartons, or polyethylene or polypropylene bags of varying dimensions.

Excluded from the scope of this order are refrigerated, frozen, or canned pastas, as well as all forms of egg pasta, with the exception of non-egg dry pasta containing up to two percent egg white. Also excluded are imports of organic pasta from Italy that are accompanied by the appropriate certificate issued by the Istituto Mediterraneo Di Certificazione, Bioagricoop S.r.l., QC&I International

Services, Ecocert Italia, Consorzio per il Controllo dei Prodotti Biologici, Associazione Italiana per l'Agricoltura Biologica, or Codex S.r.L. In addition, based on publically available information, the Department has determined that, as of August 4, 2004, imports of organic pasta from Italy that are accompanied by the appropriate certificate issued by Bioagricert S.r.l. are also excluded from this order. *See Memorandum from Eric B. Greynolds to Melissa G. Skinner*, dated August 4, 2004, which is on file in the Department's Central Records Unit ("CRU") in Room B-099 of the main Department building.

The merchandise subject to review is currently classifiable under item 1902.19.20 of the *Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States* ("HTSUS"). Although the HTSUS subheading is provided for convenience and customs purposes, the written description of the merchandise subject to the order is dispositive.

The Department has issued the following scope rulings:

1. On August 25, 1997, the Department issued a scope ruling that multicolored pasta, imported in kitchen display bottles of decorative glass that are sealed with cork or paraffin and bound with raffia, is excluded from the scope of the antidumping and countervailing duty orders. *See Memorandum from Edward Easton to Richard Moreland*, dated August 25, 1997, which is on file in the CRU.

2. On July 30, 1998, the Department issued a scope ruling, finding that multipacks consisting of six one-pound packages of pasta that are shrink-wrapped into a single package are within the scope of the antidumping and countervailing duty orders. *See Letter from Susan H. Kuhbach to Barbara P. Sidari*, dated July 30, 1998, which is available in the CRU.

3. On October 23, 1997, the petitioners filed an application requesting that the Department initiate an anti-circumvention investigation of Barilla S.r.L. ("Barilla"), an Italian producer and exporter of pasta. The Department initiated the investigation on December 8, 1997. *See Initiation of Anti-Circumvention Inquiry on Antidumping Duty Order on Certain Pasta From Italy*, 62 FR 65673 (December 15, 1997). On October 5, 1998, the Department issued its final determination that, pursuant to section 781(a) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended by the Uruguay Round Agreements Act effective January 1, 1995 ("the Act"), circumvention of the antidumping order on pasta from Italy was occurring by reason of exports of

bulk pasta from Italy produced by Barilla which subsequently were repackaged in the United States into packages of five pounds or less for sale in the United States. *See Anti-Circumvention Inquiry of the Antidumping Duty Order on Certain Pasta from Italy: Affirmative Final Determination of Circumvention of the Antidumping Duty Order*, 63 FR 54672 (October 13, 1998).

4. On October 26, 1998, the Department self-initiated a scope inquiry to determine whether a package weighing over five pounds as a result of allowable industry tolerances is within the scope of the antidumping and countervailing duty orders. On May 24, 1999, we issued a final scope ruling finding that, effective October 26, 1998, pasta in packages weighing or labeled up to (and including) five pounds four ounces is within the scope of the antidumping and countervailing duty orders. *See Memorandum from John Brinkmann to Richard Moreland*, dated May 24, 1999, which is available in the CRU.

5. On April 27, 2000, the Department self-initiated an anti-circumvention inquiry to determine whether Pastificio Fratelli Pagani S.p.A.'s importation of pasta in bulk and subsequent repackaging in the United States into packages of five pounds or less constitutes circumvention with respect to the antidumping and countervailing duty orders on pasta from Italy pursuant to section 781(a) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.225(b). *See Certain Pasta from Italy: Notice of Initiation of Anti-circumvention Inquiry of the Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Orders*, 65 FR 26179 (May 5, 2000). On September 19, 2003, we published an affirmative finding of the anti-circumvention inquiry. *See Anti-Circumvention Inquiry of the Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Orders on Certain Pasta from Italy: Affirmative Final Determinations of Circumvention of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Orders*, 68 FR 54888 (September 19, 2003).

Rescission of Review

The Department's regulations at 19 CFR 351.213(d)(1) provide that the Department will rescind an administrative review, in part, if a party that requested a review withdraws the request within 90 days of the date of publication of the notice of initiation of the requested review. Pastificio Antonio Pallante, S.r.L. withdrew its request for an administrative review on October 25, 2005, which is within the 90-day deadline, and no other party requested a review with respect to this company.

Therefore, the Department is rescinding this administrative review, in part, for Pastificio Antonio Pallante, S.r.L.

This notice is issued and published in accordance with 19 CFR 351.213(d)(4).

Dated: November 8, 2005.

Stephen J. Claeys,

Deputy Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 111005B]

Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council; Public Meetings

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

ACTION: Notice of Law Enforcement Advisory Panel (LEAP) Meeting via Conference Call.

SUMMARY: The Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council (Council) will convene its Law Enforcement Advisory Panel (LEAP) via Conference Call to approve the 2006 Operations Plan to the 2005-2010 Strategic Plan that outlines joint goals and objectives for state and Federal marine resource enforcement activities.

DATES: The Conference Call will be held on Monday, December 5, 2005.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held via conference call and listening stations will be available. For specific locations see **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**.

Council address: Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council, 2203 North Lois Avenue, Suite 1100, Tampa, FL 33607.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Richard Leard, Deputy Executive Director, Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council; telephone: 813-348-1630.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council (Council) will convene its Law Enforcement Advisory Panel (LEAP) by conference call on December 5, 2005, at 4 p.m. EST. The purpose of the meeting is to approve the 2006 Operations Plan to the 2005-2010 Strategic Plan that outlines joint goals and objectives for state and federal marine resource enforcement activities. Once approved by the LEAP, the Operations Plan will be submitted to the Council for approval

at its January 2006 meeting. Listening stations for members of the public to hear the LEAP discussions will be set up at the Council office—2203 N. Lois Avenue, Suite 1100, Tampa, FL 33607 and at the Gulf States Marine Fisheries Commission Office—2404 Government Street, Ocean Springs, MS 39564.

A copy of the operations plan and related materials can be obtained by calling the Council office at 813-348-1630.

Special Accommodations

These meetings are physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Dawn Aring at the Council (see **ADDRESSES**) at least 5 working days prior to the meeting.

Dated: November 10, 2005.

Tracey Thompson,

Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 111005C]

Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

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

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: The Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council will convene a public meeting of its Texas Habitat Protection Advisory Panel (AP).

DATES: The Texas Habitat Protection AP will meet from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Tuesday, December 6, 2005.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Hilton Houston Hobby Airport, 8181 Airport Boulevard, Houston, TX 77061; telephone: 713-645-3000.

Council address: Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council, 2203 North Lois Avenue, Suite 1100, Tampa, FL 33607.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jeff Rester, Habitat Specialist, Gulf States Marine Fisheries Commission, Post Office Box 726, Ocean Springs, MS 39564; telephone 228-875-5912.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Texas Habitat Protection AP will convene to discuss the following topics: the Sabine-Neches waterway deepening project; the