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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### International Trade Administration

[A-412-822]

#### Stainless Steel Bar From the United Kingdom: Notice of Extension of Time Limit for Preliminary Results of the 2005-2006 Administration Review

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

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** October 16, 2006.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Rebecca Trainor or Kate Johnson, AD/CVD Operations, Office 2, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14<sup>th</sup> Street and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230; telephone (202) 482-4007 or (202) 482-4929, respectively.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### Background

On April 28, 2006, the Department of Commerce ("Department") published in the **Federal Register** a notice of initiation of administrative review of the antidumping duty order on stainless steel bar from the United Kingdom, covering the period March 1, 2005, through February 28, 2006. See *Initiation of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Administrative Reviews*, 71 FR 25145 (April 28, 2006). The preliminary results for this administrative review are currently due no later than December 1, 2006.

##### Statutory Time Limits

Section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended ("the Act"), requires the Department to issue the preliminary results of an administrative review within 245 days after the last day of the anniversary month of an order for which a review is requested and a final determination within 120 days after the date on which the preliminary results are published. If it is not practicable to complete the review within the time period, section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act allows the Department to extend these deadlines to a maximum of 365 days and 180 days, respectively.

#### Extension of Time Limit for Preliminary Results

The Department is in the process of collecting additional information and clarifications of submitted data from the respondent. Furthermore, we require additional time to conduct verifications. Thus, it is not practicable to complete this review within the original time limit (*i.e.*, 245 days). Therefore, the Department is extending the time limit for completion of the preliminary results by 120 days, in accordance with section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act. The preliminary results are now due not later than March 30, 2007. The final results continue to be due 120 days after publication of the preliminary results.

We are issuing and publishing this notice in accordance with sections 751(a)(1) and 777(i)(1) of the Act.

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### International Trade Administration

[A-588-833]

#### Initiation of Antidumping Duty Changed-Circumstances Review: Stainless Steel Bar From Japan

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

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with section 751(b) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act), and § 351.216(b) of the Department of Commerce's (the Department's) regulations, TRW Fuji Valve, Inc. (TRW), a U.S. importer, filed a request for a changed-circumstances review of the antidumping duty order on stainless steel bar from Japan. The petitioners and domestic interested parties have affirmatively expressed a lack of interest in the continuation of the order with respect to 21-2N modified valve/stem stainless steel round bar.<sup>1</sup> In response to this request, the Department is initiating a changed-circumstances review of the order on stainless steel bar from Japan with respect to this product as described below.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** October 16, 2006.

<sup>1</sup> The petitioners and domestic interested parties include Carpenter Technology Corp., Crucible Specialty Metals Division of Crucible Materials Corp., Electralloy Corp., North American Stainless, Universal Stainless and Alloy Products, Inc., and Valbruna Slater Stainless, Inc.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Dmitry Vladimirov or Minoo Hatten, AD/CVD Operations, Office 5, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce, 14<sup>th</sup> Street and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482-0665 or (202) 482-1690.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### Background

On August 28, 2006, TRW<sup>2</sup> requested that the Department conduct a changed-circumstances review of the order on stainless steel bar from Japan and exclude a product to which it referred as 21-2N modified valve/stem stainless steel round bar from the scope of the order. See TRW's letter to the Secretary, dated August 28, 2006. Specifically, TRW requested that the Department exclude imports meeting the following description from the order on stainless steel bar from Japan: certain valve/stem stainless steel round bar of 21-2N modified grade, having a diameter of 5.7 millimeters (with a tolerance of 0.025 millimeters), in length no greater than 15 meters, having a chemical composition consisting of a minimum of 0.50 percent and a maximum of 0.60 percent of carbon, a minimum of 7.50 percent and a maximum of 9.50 percent of manganese, a maximum of 0.25 percent of silicon, a maximum of 0.04 percent of phosphorus, a maximum of 0.03 percent of sulfur, a minimum of 20.0 percent and a maximum of 22.00 percent of chromium, a minimum of 2.00 percent and a maximum of 3.00 percent of nickel, a minimum of 0.20 percent and a maximum of 0.40 percent of nitrogen, a minimum of 0.85 percent of the combined content of carbon and nitrogen, and a balance minimum of iron, having a maximum core hardness of 385 HB and a maximum surface hardness of 425 HB, with a minimum hardness of 270 HB for annealed material. See TRW's letter to the Secretary, dated August 28, 2006. TRW requested that the Department revoke the order in part retroactively to February 1, 2006, the beginning of the anniversary month of the order. TRW stated that the steel product in question is not produced in commercial quantities in the United States.

On September 18, 2006, the petitioners and domestic interested parties provided a letter attesting to

<sup>2</sup> In its August 28, 2006, request TRW did not identify the sub-section of the term "interested party," as defined by section 771(9) of the Act, which applies to TRW. In response to our September 21, 2006, request for clarification, in its September 25, 2006, response TRW identified itself as a U.S. importer of the subject merchandise.