review of entries covered by an order, finding, or suspended investigation listed in this notice and for the period identified above, the Department will instruct the U.S. Customs and Border Protection to assess antidumping or countervailing duties on those entries at a rate equal to the cash deposit of (or bond for) estimated antidumping or countervailing duties required on those entries at the time of entry, or withdrawal from warehouse, for consumption and to continue to collect the cash deposit previously ordered.

This notice is not required by statute but is published as a service to the international trading community.

Dated: November 25, 2008.

#### Stephen J. Claeys,

Deputy Assistant Secretary for AD/CVD Duty Operations.

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#### DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

# **International Trade Administration**

(A-580-861)

**Certain Circular Welded Carbon** Quality Steel Line Pipe from the Republic of Korea: Termination of Antidumping Duty Investigation

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

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** December 1, 2008. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Patrick Edwards or Dena Crossland, Office 7, AD/CVD Operations, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482-8029 or (202) 482-3362, respectively.

# SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

## Background

On April 3, 2008, the Department of Commerce (Department) received antidumping duty petitions filed in proper form by the petitioners for the imposition of antidumping duties on certain circular welded carbon quality steel line pipe (line pipe) from the Republic of Korea (Korea) and the People's Republic of China (PRC), alleging that line pipe from these countries were being sold, or were likely to be sold, in the United States at less than fair value. The petitioners are United States Steel Corporation, Maverick Tube Corporation, Tex-Tube Company, and the United Steel, Paper and Forestry, Rubber, Manufacturing,

Energy, Allied Industrial and Service Workers International Union, and AFL-CIO-CLC (collectively, Petitioners). On April 23, 2008, the Department initiated antidumping duty investigations of line pipe from Korea and the PRC. See Certain Circular Welded Carbon Quality Steel Line Pipe From the Republic of Korea and the People's Republic of China: Initiation of Antidumping Duty Investigations, 73 FR 23188 (April 29, 2008) (Initiation Notice).

On June 3, 2008, the International Trade Commission preliminarily determined that there is a reasonable indication that an industry in the United States is materially injured or threatened with material injury by reason of imports of line pipe from Korea and the PRC. See Certain Circular Welded Carbon Quality Steel Line Pipe from China and Korea, 73 FR 31712 (June 3, 2008).

On November 6, 2008, we published in the Federal Register the preliminary determination in the Korean investigation, concurrently postponing the final determination until no later than March 21, 2009. See Preliminary Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value and Postponement of the Final Determination: Certain Circular Welded Carbon Quality Steel Line Pipe from the Republic of Korea, 73 FR 66020 (November 6, 2008).

# Scope of Investigation

The merchandise that is the subject of this investigation is circular welded carbon quality steel pipe of a kind used for oil and gas pipelines (welded line pipe), not more than 406.4 mm (16 inches) in outside diameter, regardless of wall thickness, length, surface finish, end finish or stenciling.

The term "carbon quality steel" includes both carbon steel and carbon steel mixed with small amounts of alloying elements that may exceed the individual weight limits for nonalloy steels imposed in the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS). Specifically, the term "carbon quality" includes products in which (1) iron predominates by weight over each of the other contained elements, (2) the carbon content is 2 percent or less by weight and (3) none of the elements listed below exceeds the quantity by weight respectively indicated:

(i) 2.00 percent of manganese, (ii) 2.25 percent of silicon,

- (iii) 1.00 percent of copper,
- (iv) 0.50 percent of aluminum, (v) 1.25 percent of chromium,
- (vi) 0.30 percent of cobalt, (vii) 0.40 percent of lead,
- (viii) 1.25 percent of nickel,

(ix) 0.30 percent of tungsten,

(x) 0.012 percent of boron, (xi) 0.50 percent of molybdenum, (xii) 0.15 percent of niobium, (xiii) 0.41 percent of titanium, (xiv) 0.15 percent of vanadium, or (xv) 0.15 percent of zirconium.

Welded line pipe is normally produced to specifications published by the American Petroleum Institute (API) (or comparable foreign specifications) including API A-25, 5LA, 5LB, and X grades from 42 and above, and/or any other proprietary grades or non-graded material. Nevertheless, all pipe meeting the physical description set forth above that is of a kind used in oil and gas pipelines, including all multiplestenciled pipe with an API line pipe stencil is covered by the scope of this investigation.

The line pipe products that are the subject of this investigation are currently classifiable in the HTSUS under subheadings 7306.19.10.10, 7306.19.10.50, 7306.19.51.10, and 7306.19.51.50. While HTSUS subheadings are provided for convenience and customs purposes, the written description of the scope of this investigation is dispositive.

# **Termination of Antidumping Duty** Investigation

On November 17, 2008, the Department received a letter from Petitioners notifying the Department that they are no longer interested in seeking relief and are withdrawing their petition on line pipe from Korea. Under section 734(a)(1)(A) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act), upon withdrawal of a petition, the administering authority may terminate an investigation after giving notice to all parties to the investigation. Further, 19 CFR 351.207(b)(1) states that the Department may terminate an investigation upon withdrawal of a petition, provided it concludes that termination is in the public interest. On November 18, 2008, we notified all interested parties to the investigation of our intent to terminate this investigation, and provided them an opportunity to comment on the proposed termination. See Memorandum to the File from Dena Crossland, Case Analyst, through Angelica L. Mendoza, Program Manager, Office 7, dated November 21, 2008. We received no comments from any party to this investigation.

As no party objects to this termination and the Department is not aware of any evidence to the contrary, the Department finds that termination of this investigation is in the public interest. As such, we are terminating this antidumping duty investigation and will issue instructions directly to U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) to terminate the suspension of liquidation of subject merchandise and release all bonds and any cash deposits that have been posted, where applicable.

# Notification Regarding Administrative Protective Orders

This notice serves as a reminder to parties subject to 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). 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.

This determination and notice are published in accordance with section 734(a) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.207(b).

Dated: November 21, 2008.

## David M. Spooner,

Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

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#### **DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

#### **International Trade Administration**

A-570-882

# Refined Brown Aluminum Oxide from the People's Republic of China: Preliminary Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review

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

SUMMARY: In response to a request from an interested party, the Department of Commerce (the Department) is conducting the 2006–2007 administrative review of the antidumping duty order on refined brown aluminum oxide (RBAO) from the People's Republic of China (PRC). The review covers one exporter, Qingdao Shunxingli Abrasives Co. Ltd. (Qingdao Shunxingli). The period of review (POR) is November 1, 2006, to October 31, 2007.

We have preliminarily determined that sales have been made at prices below normal value by Qingdao Shunxingli. If these preliminary results are adopted in our final results of administrative review, we will instruct U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) to assess antidumping duties on all appropriate entries.

We invite interested parties to comment on these preliminary results. Parties who submit comments in this review are requested to submit with each argument (1) a statement of the issue and (2) a brief summary of the argument.

# **EFFECTIVE DATE:** December 1, 2008. **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

David Goldberger or Kate Johnson, AD/CVD Operations, Office 2, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20230; telephone (202) 482–4136 or (202) 482–4929, respectively.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

## Background

On November 1, 2007, the Department published a notice of opportunity to request an administrative review of the antidumping duty order on, inter alia, RBAO from the PRC. See Antidumping or Countervailing Duty Order, Finding, or Suspended Investigation; Opportunity to Request Administrative Review, 72 FR 61859 (November 1, 2007). In response, Fujimi Corporation (Fujimi), an importer of the subject merchandise, timely requested an administrative review of the antidumping duty order on RBAO from the PRC for entries of the subject merchandise during the POR from two PRC producers/exporters: Henan Yilong High and New Materials Co., Ltd. (Henan Yilong), and Qingdao Shunxingli.

On December 27, 2007, the Department initiated a review on Henan Yilong and Qingdao Shunxingli. See Initiation of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Administrative Reviews, 72 FR 73315 (December 27, 2007).

The Department issued antidumping duty questionnaires to Henan Yilong and Qingdao Shunxingli on January 7, 2008. We received responses to these questionnaires in March 2008. We issued a supplemental questionnaire to Henan Yilong in April 2008 and received a response later that month. We issued supplemental questionnaires to Qingdao Shunxingli in March, May, and July 2008. We received responses to these supplemental questionnaires in April, May, and July 2008, respectively.

On May 23, 2008, Fujimi withdrew its request for review of Henan Yilong and requested that the Department rescind the review with respect to this company. In accordance with 19 CFR 351.213(d)(1), we granted Fujimi's request and rescinded this administrative review with respect to

Henan Yilong. In addition, we extended the due date for completion of these preliminary results until not later than December 1, 2008. See Refined Brown Aluminum Oxide from the People's Republic of China: Notice of Partial Rescission of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review and Extension of Time Limit for Preliminary Results, 73 FR 38173 (July 3, 2008).

#### Scope of the Order

The merchandise covered by this order is ground, pulverized or refined artificial corundum, also known as brown aluminum oxide or brown fused alumina, in grit size of 3/8 inch or less. Excluded from the scope of the order is crude artificial corundum in which particles with a diameter greater than 3/ 8 inch constitute at least 50 percent of the total weight of the entire batch. The scope includes brown artificial corundum in which particles with a diameter greater than 3/8 inch constitute less than 50 percent of the total weight of the batch. The merchandise under investigation is currently classifiable under subheadings 2818.10.20.00 and 2818.10.20.90 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 covered by the order is dispositive.

#### **NME Country Status**

In every case conducted by the Department involving the PRC, the PRC has been treated as a non-marketeconomy (NME) country. In accordance with section 771(18)(C)(i) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act), any determination that a foreign country is an NME country shall remain in effect until revoked by the administering authority. See Brake Rotors From the People's Republic of China: Preliminary Results and Partial Rescission of the 2004/2005 Administrative Review and Notice of of Intent to Rescind the 2004/ 2005 New Shipper Review, 71 FR 26736, (May 8, 2006); unchanged in Brake Rotors From the People's Republic of China: Final Results and Partial Rescission of the 2004/2005 Administrative Review and Notice of Rescission of 2004/2005 New Shipper Review, 71 FR 66304 (November 14, 2006). None of the parties to this proceeding has contested such treatment. Accordingly, we have calculated normal value in accordance with section 773(c) of the Act, which applies to NME countries.