

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**Bureau of Industry and Security****Materials Technical Advisory Committee; Notice of Open Meeting**

The Materials Technical Advisory Committee will meet on November 14, 2013, 10:00 a.m., Herbert C. Hoover Building, Room 3884, 14th Street between Constitution & Pennsylvania Avenues NW., Washington, DC. The Committee advises the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Export Administration with respect to technical questions that affect the level of export controls applicable to materials and related technology.

Agenda*Open Session*

1. Opening Remarks and Introductions.
2. Remarks from BIS senior management and export control reform update.
3. Presentation from DuPont on the challenges that license conditions can bring and a discussion on recent efforts to make conditions more industry friendly.
4. Report of Composite Working Group.
5. Report of Biological and Pump/Valves Working Group.
6. Report on regime-based activities.
7. SHUTDOWN Feedback.
8. Public Comments and New Business.

The open session will be accessible via teleconference to 20 participants on a first come, first serve basis. To join the conference, submit inquiries to Ms. Yvette Springer at Yvette.Springer@bis.doc.gov no later than November 7, 2013.

A limited number of seats will be available during the public session of the meeting. Reservations are not accepted. To the extent time permits, members of the public may present oral statements to the Committee. The public may submit written statements at any time before or after the meeting. However, to facilitate distribution of public presentation materials to Committee members, the Committee suggests that presenters forward the public presentation materials prior to the meeting to Ms. Springer via email.

For more information, call Yvette Springer at (202) 482-2813.

Dated: October 28, 2013.

Yvette Springer,

Committee Liaison Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**International Trade Administration**

[C-570-995]

Grain-Oriented Electrical Steel from the People's Republic of China: Initiation of Countervailing Duty Investigation

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

DATES: *Effective Date:* October 31, 2013.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

The Petition

On September 18, 2013, the Department of Commerce (the Department) received a countervailing duty (CVD) petition concerning imports of grain-oriented electrical steel (GOES) from the People's Republic of China (PRC), filed in proper form, on behalf of AK Steel Corporation (AK Steel), Allegheny Ludlum, LLC (Allegheny Ludlum), as well as the United Steelworkers, which represents employees of Allegheny Ludlum that are engaged in the production of GOES in the United States (collectively, the petitioners).¹ The CVD petition was accompanied by an antidumping duty (AD) petition with respect to seven countries.² The petitioners are domestic producers of GOES. On September 23, 2013, the Department requested information and clarification for certain portions of the Petitions.³ The petitioners filed their response to this request on September 26, 2013.⁴

In accordance with section 702(b)(1) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended

¹ See Petition for the Imposition of Countervailing Duties on imports of Grain-Oriented Electrical Steel from the People's Republic of China, dated September 18, 2013 (CVD Petition or Petition).

² See Petition for the Imposition of Antidumping Duties on imports of Grain-Oriented Electrical Steel from the People's Republic of China, the Czech Republic, the Federal Republic of Germany, Japan, the Republic of Korea, Poland, and the Russian Federation, dated September 18, 2013 (AD Petition) (collectively referred to as "Petitions").

³ See Petition for the Imposition of Countervailing Duties on Grain-Oriented Electrical Steel from the People's Republic of China: Supplemental Questions, dated September 23, 2013.

⁴ See Petitioners' Response to Commerce Department Request for Petition Clarifications—Grain-Oriented Electrical Steel from the People's Republic of China, dated September 26, 2013.

(the Act), the petitioners allege that the Government of the PRC (GOC) is providing countervailable subsidies (within the meaning of sections 701 and 771(5) of the Act) with respect to imports of GOES from the PRC, and that imports of GOES from the PRC are materially injuring, and threaten material injury to, the domestic industry producing GOES in the United States. The Department finds that the petitioners filed the Petition on behalf of the domestic industry because the petitioners are interested parties as defined in sections 771(9)(C) and (D) of the Act, and that the petitioners have demonstrated sufficient industry support with respect to the initiation of the investigation the petitioners are requesting.⁵

Period of Investigation

The period of investigation is January 1, 2012, through December 31, 2012.

Scope of Investigation

The product covered by this investigation is GOES from the PRC. For a full description of the scope of this investigation, see "Scope of Investigation" at Appendix I of this notice.

Comments on Scope of Investigation

During our review of the Petition, the Department issued questions to, and received responses from, the petitioners pertaining to the proposed scope in order to ensure that the scope language in the Petitions would be an accurate reflection of the products for which the domestic industry is seeking relief. As discussed in the Preamble to the regulations,⁶ we are setting aside a period for interested parties to raise issues regarding product coverage. The Department encourages interested parties to submit such comments by 5:00 p.m. EST on November 13, 2013. All comments must be filed on the records of the PRC CVD investigation, as well as the concurrent PRC, Czech Republic, Germany, Japan, Republic of Korea, Poland, and the Russian Federation (Russia) AD investigations.

Filing Requirements

All submissions to the Department must be filed electronically using Enforcement and Compliance's Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Centralized Electronic Service System ("IA ACCESS"). An electronically filed document must be received successfully in its entirety by the time and date

⁵ See "Determination of Industry Support for the Petition" below.

⁶ See *Antidumping Duties; Countervailing Duties*, 62 FR 27296, 27323 (May 19, 1997).