### Public Session 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

- 1. International Trade Administration's Civil Nuclear Trade Initiative Update
- 2. Civil Nuclear Trade Promotion Activities Discussion
- 3. Public comment period

The meeting will be open to the public and will be accessible to people with disabilities. Members of the public wishing to attend the meeting must notify Mr. Devin Horne at the contact information above by 5:00 p.m. EDT on Friday, May 17, 2019 in order to preregister. Please specify any requests for reasonable accommodation at least five business days in advance of the meeting. Last minute requests will be accepted but may not be possible to fill.

A limited amount of time will be available for pertinent brief oral comments from members of the public attending the meeting. To accommodate as many speakers as possible, the time for public comments will be limited to two (2) minutes per person, with a total public comment period of 60 minutes. Individuals wishing to reserve speaking time during the meeting must contact Mr. Chesebro and submit a brief statement of the general nature of the comments and the name and address of the proposed participant by 5:00 p.m. EDT on Friday, May 17, 2019. If the number of registrants requesting to make statements is greater than can be reasonably accommodated during the meeting, ITA may conduct a lottery to determine the speakers.

Any member of the public may submit pertinent written comments concerning the CINTAC's affairs at any time before and after the meeting. Comments may be submitted to the Civil Nuclear Trade Advisory Committee, Office of Energy & Environmental Industries, U.S Department of Commerce, Mail Stop 28018, 1401 Constitution Ave. NW, Washington, DC 20230. For consideration during the meeting, and to ensure transmission to the Committee prior to the meeting, comments must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. EDT on Friday, May 17, 2019. Comments received after that date will be distributed to the members but may not be considered at the meeting.

Copies of CINTAC meeting minutes will be available within 90 days of the meeting.

#### Man Cho,

Deputy Director, Office of Energy and Environmental Industries.

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# DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

# International Trade Administration

# [C-570-080]

## Cast Iron Soil Pipe From the People's Republic of China: Countervailing Duty Order

AGENCY: Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce. SUMMARY: Based on affirmative final determinations by the Department of Commerce (Commerce) and the International Trade Commission (ITC), Commerce is issuing the countervailing duty (CVD) order on cast iron soil pipe from the People's Republic of China (China).

DATES: Effective May 3, 2019.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Omar Qureshi at (202) 482–5307, AD/ CVD Operations, Office V, Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20230. SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

#### Background

In accordance with sections 705(a), 705(d), and 777(i) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (Act), and 19 CFR 351.210(c), on February 28, 2019, Commerce published its affirmative final determination in the countervailing duty investigation of cast iron soil pipe from China.<sup>1</sup>

On April 8, 2019, the ITC notified Commerce of its final affirmative determination that an industry in the United States is materially injured within the meaning of section 705(b)(1)(A)(i) of the Act by reason of imports of subject merchandise from China.<sup>2</sup>

# Scope of the Order

The scope of this order covers cast iron soil pipe from China. For a complete description of the scope, *see* the Appendix to this notice.

### **Countervailing Duty Order**

On April 8, 2019, in accordance with section 705(d) of the Act, the ITC notified Commerce of its final determination that an industry in the United States is materially injured within the meaning of section 705(b)(1)(A)(i) of the Act by reason of imports of cast iron soil pipe from China.<sup>3</sup> Therefore, in accordance with sections 705(c)(2) and 706 of the Act, Commerce is issuing this countervailing duty order. Because the ITC determined that imports of cast iron soil pipe from China are materially injuring a U.S. industry, unliquidated entries of such merchandise from China, entered or withdrawn from warehouse for consumption, are subject to the assessment of countervailing duties.

As a result of the ITC's final determination, in accordance with section 706(a) of the Act, Commerce will direct U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) to assess, upon further instruction by Commerce, countervailing duties for all relevant entries of cast iron soil pipe from China. Countervailing duties will be assessed on unliquidated entries of cast iron soil pipe from China entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after July 2, 2018, the date of publication of the *Preliminary* Determination,<sup>4</sup> but will not include entries occurring after the expiration of the provisional measures period and before publication of the ITC's final affirmative injury determination as further described below.

# **Suspension of Liquidation**

In accordance with section 706 of the Act, we will instruct CBP to reinstitute suspension of liquidation on all relevant entries of cast iron soil pipe from China, effective on the date of publication of the ITC's notice of final determination in the Federal Register, and to assess, upon further instruction by Commerce pursuant to section 706(a)(1) of the Act,<sup>5</sup> countervailing duties for each entry of the subject merchandise in an amount based on the net countervailable subsidy rate for the subject merchandise. These instructions suspending liquidation will remain in effect until further notice. Commerce will also instruct CBP to require cash deposits equal to the amounts as indicated below. Accordingly, effective on the date of publication of the ITC's final affirmative injury determination, CBP will require, at the same time as importers would normally deposit

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See Cast Iron Soil Pipe from the People's Republic of China: Final Affirmative Countervailing Duty Determination, 84 FR 6770 (February 28, 2019) (Final Determination) and the accompanying Issues and Decision Memorandum (IDM).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> See Letter to Gary Taverman, Acting Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Enforcement and Compliance, from David S. Johanson, Chairman of the U.S. International Trade Commission, dated April 8, 2019 (ITC Letter).

зId.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> See Cast Iron Soil Pipe from the People's Republic of China: Preliminary Affirmative Countervailing Duty, 83 FR 30914 (July 2, 2018) (Preliminary Determination) and the accompanying Preliminary Decision Memorandum.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> See Cast Iron Soil Pipe from China, Investigation Nos. 701–TA–597 and 731–TA–1407 (Final), USITC Publication 4879 (April 2019).

estimated duties on this subject merchandise, a cash deposit equal to the subsidy rates listed below.<sup>6</sup>

## **Provisional Measures**

Section 733(d) of the Act states that instructions issued pursuant to an affirmative preliminary determination may not remain in effect for more than four months, except where exporters representing a significant proportion of exports of the subject merchandise request Commerce to extend that fourmonth period to no more than six months. At the request of mandatory respondent, HengTong Casting Co., Ltd., which accounts for a significant proportion of cast iron soil pipe from China, Commerce extended the fourmonth period to six months in this case.<sup>7</sup> Commerce published its *Preliminary Determination* on July 2, 2018. Therefore, the extended period, beginning on the date of publication of the *Preliminary Determination*, ended on December 29, 2018. Furthermore, section 737(b) of the Act states that definitive duties are to begin on the date of publication of the ITC's final injury determination.

Therefore, in accordance with section 733(d) of the Act and our practice, we

will instruct CBP to terminate the suspension of liquidation and to liquidate, without regard to countervailing duties, unliquidated entries of cast iron soil pipe from China entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after December 29, 2018, the date the provisional measures expired, through the day preceding the date of publication of the ITC's final injury determination in the **Federal Register**. Suspension of liquidation will resume on the date of publicationof the ITC's final determination in the **Federal Register**.

## **Estimated Subsidy Margins**

Exporter/producer	Subsidy rate (percent)
Kingway Pipe Co., Ltd	109.27
Yuncheng Jiangxian Economic Development Zone HengTong Casting Co., Ltd <sup>8</sup>	14.69
All-Others	14.69

# **Notifications to Interested Parties**

This notice constitutes the countervailing duty order with respect to cast iron soil pipe from China pursuant to section 706(a) of the Act. Interested parties can find a list of countervailing duty orders currently in effect at http://enforcement.trade.gov/ stats/iastats1.html.

This order is issued and published in accordance with section 706(a) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.211(b).

Dated: April 26, 2019.

### Jeffrey I. Kessler,

Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance.

## Appendix

### Scope of the Order

The merchandise covered by this order is cast iron soil pipe, whether finished or unfinished, regardless of industry or proprietary specifications, and regardless of wall thickness, length, diameter, surface finish, end finish, or stenciling. The scope of this order includes, but is not limited to, both hubless and hub and spigot cast iron soil pipe. Cast iron soil pipe is nonmalleable iron pipe of various designs and sizes. Cast iron soil pipe is generally distinguished from other types of nonmalleable cast iron pipe by the manner in which it is connected to cast iron soil pipe fittings.

Cast iron soil pipe is classified into two major types—hubless and hub and spigot. Hubless cast iron soil pipe is manufactured without a hub, generally in compliance with Cast Iron Soil Pipe Institute (CISPI) specification 301 and/or American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM) specification A888, including any revisions to those specifications. Hub and spigot pipe has one or more hubs into which the spigot (plain end) of a fitting is inserted. All pipe meeting the physical description set forth above is covered by the scope of this order, whether or not produced according to a particular standard.

The subject imports are currently classified in subheading 7303.00.0030 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS): Cast iron soil pipe. The HTSUS subheading and specifications are provided for convenience and customs purposes only; the written description of the scope of this order is dispositive.

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# **DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

# **International Trade Administration**

## [C-570-098]

### Polyester Textured Yarn From the People's Republic of China: Preliminary Affirmative Countervailing Duty Determination, and Alignment of Final Determination With Final Antidumping Duty Determination

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

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Commerce (Commerce) preliminarily determines

that countervailable subsidies are being provided to producers and exporters of polyester textured yarn (yarn) from the People's Republic of China (China) for the period of investigation (POI) January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2017. Interested parties are invited to comment on this preliminary determination.

DATES: Effective May 3, 2019.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Bob Palmer or Joseph Dowling, AD/CVD Operations, Office VIII, Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482–9068 or (202) 482–1646, respectively.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

#### Background

This preliminary determination is made in accordance with section 703(b) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act). Commerce published the notice of initiation of this investigation on November 19, 2018.<sup>1</sup>

On February 1, 2019, pursuant to a request from the Unifi Manufacturing, Inc. and Nan Ya Plastics Corporation (the petitioners),<sup>2</sup> Commerce postponed the preliminary determination of this

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> See section 706(a)(3) of the Act.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> See Preliminary Determination, 83 FR at 44569. <sup>8</sup> Commerce initiated this proceeding on two

respondents ''Jiangxian Economic Development Zone Heng (Jiangxian) and Kingway Pipe Co Ltd (Kingway)" based on CBP data. We have accepted

HengTong's request to reflect its name as "Yucheng Jiangxian Economic Development Zone HengTong Casting Co., Ltd. (HengTong)," which is the name we have used in this proceeding.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See Polyester Textured Yarn from India and the People's Republic of China: Initiation of

Countervailing Duty Investigations, 83 FR 58232 (November 19, 2018) (Initiation Notice).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> See Letter, "Countervailing Duty Investigation of Polyester Textured Yarn from China: Petitioners' Request to Postpone Preliminary Determination," dated December 10, 2018.