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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### Foreign-Trade Zones Board

#### Electronic Submission of Applications

**AGENCY:** Foreign-Trade Zones Board, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

**ACTION:** Transition to solely electronic submission of applications.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to 15 CFR 400.21(i), applications to the Foreign-Trade Zones Board henceforth should be submitted solely in electronic form via email to [ftz@trade.gov](mailto:ftz@trade.gov).

**DATES:** May 6, 2019.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Staff, Foreign-Trade Zones Board, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW, Room 21013, Washington, DC 20230, [ftz@trade.gov](mailto:ftz@trade.gov) or (202) 482-2862.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Additional information is available on the Foreign-Trade Zone Board's website, which is accessible via [www.trade.gov/ftz](http://www.trade.gov/ftz).

On February 28, 2012, the Foreign-Trade Zones (FTZ) Board published a notice in the **Federal Register** that revised its regulations issued pursuant to the FTZ Act of 1934, as amended, concerning the authorization and regulation of foreign-trade zones and zone activity in the United States.<sup>1</sup> Section 400.21 of the revised regulations established general requirements for applications to the FTZ Board. Paragraph (i) of section 400.21 provides that, “{u}nless the Executive Secretary alters the requirements of this paragraph, the applicant shall submit an original (including original documents to meet the requirements of paragraphs (c) and (d)(1)(iii) of this section) and one copy of the application, both on 8½ × 11 (216 × 279 mm) paper, and an electronic copy.” Pursuant to 15 CFR 400.21(i), to reduce the burden on applicants and to facilitate a full transition to an electronic application process, applications to the FTZ Board henceforth should be submitted solely

<sup>1</sup> See *Foreign-Trade Zones in the United States*, 77 FR 12112 (February 28, 2012).

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### International Trade Administration

[A-570-967, C-570-968]

#### Aluminum Extrusions From the People's Republic of China: Initiation of Anti-Circumvention and Scope Inquiries on the Antidumping Duty and Countervailing Duty Orders

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

**SUMMARY:** In response to a request from Air Master Awning LLC (Air Master), the Department of Commerce (Commerce) is initiating anti-circumvention inquiries to determine whether imports of aluminum jalousie shutters that are processed in the Dominican Republic from window frame extrusions produced in the People's Republic of China (China), are circumventing the antidumping duty (AD) and countervailing duty (CVD) orders on aluminum extrusions from China. We are also self-initiating scope inquiries to determine whether the aluminum jalousie shutters are subject to the AD and CVD orders.

**DATES:** Applicable May 6, 2019.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Fred Baker, AD/CVD Operations, Office VI, Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482-2924.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### Background

Following Commerce's final affirmative determinations of dumping and countervailable subsidies,<sup>1</sup> and the U.S. International Trade Commission (ITC)'s finding of material injury,<sup>2</sup> Commerce issued AD and CVD orders on imports of aluminum extrusions

<sup>1</sup> See *Aluminum Extrusions from the People's Republic of China: Final Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value*, 76 FR 18524 (April 4, 2011); and *Aluminum Extrusions from the People's Republic of China: Final Affirmative Countervailing Duty Determination*, 76 FR 18521 (April 4, 2011).

<sup>2</sup> See *Certain Aluminum Extrusions from China*, 76 FR 29007 (May 19, 2011).

from China, which were published in the **Federal Register** on May 26, 2011.<sup>3</sup>

On September 25, 2018, pursuant to section 781(b) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act) and 19 CFR 351.225(h), Air Master requested that Commerce initiate anti-circumvention inquiries on imports of aluminum jalousie shutters completed or assembled in the Dominican Republic using window frame extrusions sourced from China that are subject to the *Orders*.<sup>4</sup> Air Master alleges that the completion/assembly of the aluminum jalousie shutters constitutes a “minor alteration,” within the meaning of 781(c) of the Act.<sup>5</sup> Further, pursuant to 19 CFR 351.225(f), Air Master requested that Commerce issue preliminary determinations of circumvention of the *Orders* concurrently with the initiation, to suspend liquidation of imports of aluminum jalousie shutters from the Dominican Republic.<sup>6</sup> Air Master submitted supplements to its request in October and December 2018.<sup>7</sup> Separately, Commerce issued a supplemental questionnaire to Air Master on February 11, 2019,<sup>8</sup> to which Air Master responded on February 19, 2019.<sup>9</sup>

<sup>3</sup> See *Aluminum Extrusions from the People's Republic of China: Antidumping Duty Order*, 76 FR 30650 (May 26, 2011); and *Aluminum Extrusions from the People's Republic of China: Countervailing Duty Order*, 76 FR 30653 (May 26, 2011) (collectively, the *Orders*).

<sup>4</sup> See Air Master Letter, “Aluminum Extrusions from the People's Republic of China, A-570-967 and C-570-968; Request for Circumvention Ruling Pursuant to Section 781(c) of the Tariff Act of 1930,” dated September 25, 2018 (Anti-Circumvention Ruling Request).

<sup>5</sup> *Id.* at 2. We note that Air Master's Anti-Circumvention Ruling Request alleges that the assembly of the aluminum jalousie shutters in the Dominican Republic represents a minor alteration within the meaning of section 781(c) of the Act. Because section 781(b) of the Act relates to “merchandise completed or assembled in other foreign countries,” and section 781(c) of the Act relates to “minor alterations of merchandise,” we are initiating anti-circumvention inquiries under both 781(b) and (c) of the Act.

<sup>6</sup> *Id.* at 2 and 19.

<sup>7</sup> See Air Master Letter, “Aluminum Extrusions from the People's Republic of China, A-570-967 and C-570-968; Request for Circumvention Ruling Pursuant to Section 781(c) of the Tariff Act of 1930,” dated October 1, 2018 (First Supplement to Anti-Circumvention Ruling Request); and Air Master Letter, “Aluminum Extrusions from the People's Republic of China, A-570-967 and C-570-968; Request for Circumvention Ruling Pursuant to Section 781(c) of the Tariff of 1930; Submission of Supplemental Information,” dated December 18, 2018.

<sup>8</sup> See Commerce Letter, “Aluminum Extrusions from the People's Republic of China Anti-Circumvention Inquiry: Air Master Awning, LLP,” dated February 11, 2019.

<sup>9</sup> See Air Master Letter, “Aluminum Extrusions from the People's Republic of China, A-570-967 and C-570-968; Anticircumvention Inquiry; Response of Air Master Awning LLC to the