

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service****9 CFR Parts 1, 2, and 3**

[Docket No. APHIS-2017-0062]

RIN 0579-AE35

Animal Welfare; Amendments to Licensing Provisions and to Requirements for Dogs**AGENCY:** Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, USDA.**ACTION:** Proposed rule; reopening of comment period.

SUMMARY: We are reopening the comment period for our proposed rule that would amend the licensing requirements under the Animal Welfare Act regulations to promote compliance, reduce licensing fees, and strengthen existing safeguards that prevent individuals and businesses who have a history of noncompliance from obtaining a license or working with regulated animals. This action will allow interested persons additional time to prepare and submit comments.

DATES: The comment period for the proposed rule published on March 22, 2019, (84 FR 10721-10735) is reopened. We will consider all comments that we receive on or before June 5, 2019.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments by either of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* Go to <http://www.regulations.gov/#!docketDetail;D=APHIS-2017-0062>.

- *Postal Mail/Commercial Delivery:* Send your comment to Docket No. APHIS-2017-0062, Regulatory Analysis and Development, PPD, APHIS, Station 3A-03.8, 4700 River Road, Unit 118, Riverdale, MD 20737-1238.

Supporting documents and any comments we receive on this docket may be viewed at <http://www.regulations.gov/#!docketDetail;D=APHIS-2017-0062> or in our reading room, which is located in Room 1141 of the USDA South Building, 14th Street and Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC. Normal reading room hours are 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except holidays. To be sure someone is there to help you, please call (202) 799-7039 before coming.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Christine Jones, Chief of Staff, Animal Care, APHIS, 4700 River Road Unit 84, Riverdale, MD 20737; (301) 851-3751.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On March 22, 2019, we published in the **Federal**

Register (84 FR 10721-10735, Docket No. APHIS-2017-0062) a proposal to amend the licensing requirements under the Animal Welfare Act regulations to promote compliance, reduce licensing fees, and strengthen existing safeguards that prevent individuals and businesses who have a history of noncompliance from obtaining a license or working with regulated animals.

Comments on the proposed rule were required to be received on or before May 21, 2019. We are reopening the comment period on Docket No. APHIS-2017-0062 for an additional 15 days, to June 5, 2019. This action will allow interested persons additional time to prepare and submit comments. We will also consider all comments received between May 21, 2019, and the date of this notice.

Authority: 7 U.S.C. 2131-2159; 7 CFR 2.22, 2.80, and 371.7.

Done in Washington, DC, this 21st day of May 2019.

Kevin Shea,

Administrator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**Federal Aviation Administration****14 CFR Part 71**

[Docket No. FAA-2019-0339; Airspace Docket No. 18-AEA-21]

RIN 2120-AA66

Proposed Establishment of Area Navigation (RNAV) Routes; Northeastern United States**AGENCY:** Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.**ACTION:** Notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM).

SUMMARY: This action proposes to establish seven new low altitude RNAV routes, designated T-303, T-307, T-320, T-324, T-335, T-356, and T-358, in the northeastern United States. The proposed routes would enhance the efficiency of the National Airspace System (NAS) by expanding the availability of RNAV routing and supporting the transition of the NAS from ground-based to satellite-based navigation.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before July 12, 2019.

ADDRESSES: Send comments on this proposal to the U.S. Department of Transportation, Docket Operations, 1200

New Jersey Avenue SE, West Building Ground Floor, Room W12-140, Washington, DC 20590; telephone: 1 (800) 647-5527 or (202) 366-9826. You must identify FAA Docket No. FAA-2019-0339; Airspace Docket No. 18-AEA-21 at the beginning of your comments. You may also submit comments through the internet at <http://www.regulations.gov>.

FAA Order 7400.11C, Airspace Designations and Reporting Points, and subsequent amendments can be viewed online at http://www.faa.gov/air_traffic/publications/. For further information, you can contact the Airspace Policy Group, Federal Aviation Administration, 800 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20591; telephone: (202) 267-8783. The Order is also available for inspection at the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA). For information on the availability of FAA Order 7400.11C at NARA, call (202) 741-6030, or go to <http://www.archives.gov/federal-register/cfr/ibr-locations.html>.

FAA Order 7400.11, Airspace Designations and Reporting Points, is published yearly and effective on September 15.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Paul Gallant, Airspace Policy Group, Office of Airspace Services, Federal Aviation Administration, 800 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20591; telephone: (202) 267-8783.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**Authority for This Rulemaking**

The FAA's authority to issue rules regarding aviation safety is found in Title 49 of the United States Code. Subtitle I, Section 106 describes the authority of the FAA Administrator. Subtitle VII, Aviation Programs, describes in more detail the scope of the agency's authority. This rulemaking is promulgated under the authority described in Subtitle VII, Part A, Subpart I, Section 40103. Under that section, the FAA is charged with prescribing regulations to assign the use of the airspace necessary to ensure the safety of aircraft and the efficient use of airspace. This regulation is within the scope of that authority as it would expand the availability of RNAV in the eastern United States to improve the efficiency of the NAS by lessening the dependency on ground-based navigation.

Comments Invited

Interested parties are invited to participate in this proposed rulemaking by submitting such written data, views,

or arguments as they may desire. Comments that provide the factual basis supporting the views and suggestions presented are particularly helpful in developing reasoned regulatory decisions on the proposal. Comments are specifically invited on the overall regulatory, aeronautical, economic, environmental, and energy-related aspects of the proposal.

Communications should identify both docket numbers (FAA Docket No. FAA-2019-0339; Airspace Docket No. 18-AEA-21 and be submitted in triplicate to the Docket Management Facility (see **ADDRESSES** section for address and phone number). You may also submit comments through the internet at <http://www.regulations.gov>.

Commenters wishing the FAA to acknowledge receipt of their comments on this action must submit with those comments a self-addressed, stamped postcard on which the following statement is made: "Comments to FAA Docket No. FAA-2019-0339; Airspace Docket No. 18-AEA-21." The postcard will be date/time stamped and returned to the commenter.

All communications received on or before the specified comment closing date will be considered before taking action on the proposed rule. The proposal contained in this action may be changed in light of comments received. A report summarizing each substantive public contact with FAA personnel concerned with this rulemaking will be filed in the docket.

Availability of NPRM's

An electronic copy of this document may be downloaded through the internet at <http://www.regulations.gov>. Recently published rulemaking documents can also be accessed through the FAA's web page at http://www.faa.gov/air_traffic/publications/airspace_amendments/.

You may review the public docket containing the proposal, any comments received and any final disposition in person in the Dockets Office (see **ADDRESSES** section for address and phone number) between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except federal holidays. An informal docket may also be examined during normal business hours at the office of the Eastern Service Center, Federal Aviation Administration, Room 210, 1701 Columbia Ave., College Park, GA 30337.

Availability and Summary of Documents for Incorporation by Reference

This document proposes to amend FAA Order 7400.11C, Airspace

Designations and Reporting Points, dated August 13, 2018, and effective September 15, 2018. FAA Order 7400.11C is publicly available as listed in the **ADDRESSES** section of this proposed rule. FAA Order 7400.11C lists Class A, B, C, D, and E airspace areas, air traffic service routes, and reporting points.

The Proposal

The FAA is proposing an amendment to Title 14 Code of Federal Regulations (14 CFR) part 71 to establish seven new low altitude RNAV routes, designated T-303, T-307, T-320, T-324, T-335, T-356, and T-358, in the northeastern United States. The purpose of the routes is to expand the availability of RNAV and improve the efficiency of the NAS by reducing the dependency on ground-based navigation systems. The following is a general description of the proposed routes.

T-303: T-303 would extend between the IRAKE, NC, fix (22 NM northeast of the Kinston, NC (ISO), VORTAC), and the WHITE, NJ, fix (14 NM northeast of the Coyle, NJ, (CYN) VORTAC).

T-307: T-307 would extend between the PEARS, NC, fix (43 NM northeast of the New Bern, NC, (EWN) VOR/DME), and the SHERL, NY, fix (37 NM southeast of the Kennedy, NY, (JFK) VOR/DME).

T-320: T-320 would extend between the NUTTS, VA, fix (46 NM northeast of the South Boston, VA, (SBV) VORTAC) and the WHITE, NJ, fix (14 NM northeast of the Coyle, NJ, (CYN) VORTAC).

T-324: T-324 would extend between the COLIN, VA, fix (37 NM south of the Nottingham, MD, (OTT) VORTAC), and the ZIGGI, NJ, fix (37 NM southwest of the Kennedy, NY, (JFK) VOR/DME).

T-335: T-335 would extend between the CHEYF, MD, WP (near the Snow Hill, MD, (SWL) VORTAC), and the Pottstown, PA, (PTW) VORTAC.

T-356: T-356 would extend between the WOOLY, MD fix (38 NM east of the Martinsburg, WV, (MRB) VORTAC) eastward to the SWANN, MD, fix; then northeastward to the ELUDE, MD, fix (9 NM west of the Dupont, DE, (DQO) VORTAC).

T-358: T-358 would extend between the Martinsburg, WV, (MRB) VORTAC, and the AVALO, NJ, fix (10 NM south of the Atlantic City, NJ, (ACY) VORTAC).

The full route descriptions are listed in "The Proposed Amendment" section, below.

United States Area Navigation routes are published in paragraph 6011 of FAA Order 7400.2C, dated August 13, 2018, and effective September 15, 2018, which

is incorporated by reference in 14 CFR 71.1. The RNAV routes listed in the document would be subsequently published in the Order.

Regulatory Notices and Analyses

The FAA has determined that this proposed regulation only involves an established body of technical regulations for which frequent and routine amendments are necessary to keep them operationally current. It, therefore: (1) Is not a "significant regulatory action" under Executive Order 12866; (2) is not a "significant rule" under Department of Transportation (DOT) Regulatory Policies and Procedures (44 FR 11034; February 26, 1979); and (3) does not warrant preparation of a regulatory evaluation as the anticipated impact is so minimal. Since this is a routine matter that will only affect air traffic procedures and air navigation, it is certified that this proposed rule, when promulgated, will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities under the criteria of the Regulatory Flexibility Act.

Environmental Review

This proposal will be subject to an environmental analysis in accordance with FAA Order 1050.1F, "Environmental Impacts: Policies and Procedures" prior to any FAA final regulatory action.

List of Subjects in 14 CFR Part 71

Airspace, Incorporation by reference, Navigation (air).

The Proposed Amendment

In consideration of the foregoing, the Federal Aviation Administration proposes to amend 14 CFR part 71 as follows:

PART 71—DESIGNATION OF CLASS A, B, C, D, AND E AIRSPACE AREAS; AIR TRAFFIC SERVICE ROUTES; AND REPORTING POINTS

- 1. The authority citation for part 71 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 106(f), 106(g); 40103, 40113, 40120; E.O. 10854, 24 FR 9565, 3 CFR, 1959-1963 Comp., p. 389.

§ 71.1 [Amended]

- 2. The incorporation by reference in 14 CFR 71.1 of FAA Order 7400.11C, Airspace Designations and Reporting Points, dated August 13, 2018, and effective September 15, 2018, is amended as follows:

Paragraph 6011 United States Area Navigation Routes.

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T-303 IRAKE, NC TO WHITE, NJ [NEW]

IRAKE, NC	Fix	(Lat. 35°41'31.44" N, long. 077°20'25'44" W)
ZAGGY, NC	Fix	(Lat. 35°47'58.38" N, long. 077°16'01.21" W)
KOHL'S, NC	WP	(Lat. 36°22'17.76" N, long. 076°52'21.48" W)
EDTAJ, VA	Fix	(Lat. 36°36'17.91" N, long. 076°34'23.35" W)
PSALM, VA	Fix	(Lat. 36°40'10.68" N, long. 076°29'22.33" W)
DEEMS, VA	Fix	(Lat. 36°44'31.54" N, long. 076°23'43.84" W)
Norfolk, VA (ORF)	VORTAC	(Lat. 36°53'30.84" N, long. 076°12'01.17" W)
OUTLA, VA	WP	(Lat. 37°20'45.48" N, long. 075°59'54.08" W)
FATOM, VA	Fix	(Lat. 37°30'48.53" N, long. 075°58'32.77" W)
JAMIE, VA	Fix	(Lat. 37°36'20.58" N, long. 075°57'48.81" W)
MAGGO, MD	Fix	(Lat. 37°58'58.48" N, long. 075°44'01.39" W)
TRPOD, MD	WP	(Lat. 38°20'17.30" N, long. 075°30'28.27" W)
SEAMN, DE	WP	(Lat. 38°27'28.44" N, long. 075°25'58.71" W)
Waterloo, DE (ATR)	VOR/DME	(Lat. 38°48'35.32" N, long. 075°12'40.76" W)
JILLI, NJ	WP	(Lat. 39°00'42.22" N, long. 075°05'46.21" W)
LEEAH, NJ	Fix	(Lat. 39°15'39.27" N, long. 074°57'11.01" W)
ANABL, NJ	WP	(Lat. 39°30'15.98" N, long. 074°43'34.12" W)
HOWIE, NJ	Fix	(Lat. 39°34'57.82" N, long. 074°39'09.97" W)
CRESI, NJ	Fix	(Lat. 39°36'39.32" N, long. 074°37'34.66" W)
THMAS, NJ	WP	(Lat. 39°40'07.73" N, long. 074°34'16.24" W)
Coyle, NJ (CYN)	VORTAC	(Lat. 39°49'02.42" N, long. 074°25'53.85" W)
WHITE, NJ	Fix	(Lat. 40°00'24.32" N, long. 074°15'04.61" W)

T-307 PEARS, NC TO SHERL, NY [NEW]

PEARS, NC	Fix	(Lat. 35°47'12.36" N, long. 076°57'01.97" W)
SUNNS, NC	Fix	(Lat. 36°26'24.74" N, long. 076°30'28.21" W)
Norfolk, VA (ORF)	VORTAC	(Lat. 36°53'30.84" N, long. 076°12'01.17" W)
OUTLA, VA	WP	(Lat. 37°20'45.48" N, long. 075°59'54.08" W)
EWOOD, VA	Fix	(Lat. 37°31'10.55" N, long. 075°52'09.26" W)
ARICE, VA	Fix	(Lat. 07°41'19.65" N, long. 075°44'32.27" W)
DUNFE, VA	Fix	(Lat. 37°53'18.83" N, long. 075°35'29.39" W)
CHEYF, MD	WP	(Lat. 38°06'01.66" N, long. 075°27'12.74" W)
CBEAV, MD	Fix	(Lat. 38°22'19.01" N, long. 075°15'53.18" W)
RADDS, DE	Fix	(Lat. 38°38'54.80" N, long. 075°05'18.48" W)
SEWEL, NJ	Fix	(Lat. 38°56'01.88" N, long. 074°54'18.11" W)
WNSTN, NJ	WP	(Lat. 39°05'43.81" N, long. 074°48'01.20" W)
AVALO, NJ	Fix	(Lat. 39°16'54.52" N, long. 074°30'50.75" W)
BRIGS, NJ	Fix	(Lat. 39°31'24.72" N, long. 074°08'19.67" W)
HARBO, NJ	Fix	(Lat. 39°36'27.04" N, long. 074°00'26.56" W)
DRIFT, NJ	Fix	(Lat. 39°48'53.56" N, long. 073°40'49.53" W)
MANTA, NJ	Fix	(Lat. 39°54'07.01" N, long. 073°32'31.63" W)
PLUME, NJ	Fix	(Lat. 40°07'06.67" N, long. 073°17'08.03" W)
SHERL, NY	Fix	(Lat. 40°15'20.55" N, long. 073°07'18.26" W)

T-320 NUTTS, VA TO WHITE, NJ [NEW]

NUTTS, VA	Fix	(Lat. 37°04'34.16" N, long. 078°12'13.69" W)
WAVES, VA	WP	(Lat. 37°35'13.54" N, long. 077°26'52.03" W)
TAPPA, VA	Fix	(Lat. 37°58'12.66" N, long. 076°50'40.62" W)
COLIN, VA	Fix	(Lat. 38°05'59.23" N, long. 076°39'50.85" W)
SHLBK, MD	WP	(Lat. 38°20'16.21" N, long. 076°26'10.51" W)
QUENS, MD	WP	(Lat. 38°26'04.59" N, long. 076°19'10.06" W)
PRNCZ, MD	WP	(Lat. 38°37'38.10" N, long. 076°05'08.20" W)
GARED, MD	Fix	(Lat. 38°41'40.41" N, long. 076°01'21.96" W)
CHOPS, MD	Fix	(Lat. 38°45'41.81" N, long. 075°57'36.18" W)
HEDGE, MD	Fix	(Lat. 38°53'32.11" N, long. 075°50'14.46" W)
CANNY, DE	Fix	(Lat. 39°03'39.92" N, long. 075°40'40.65" W)
Smyrna, DE (ENO)	VORTAC	(Lat. 39°13'53.93" N, long. 075°30'57.49" W)
BRIEF, NJ	Fix	(Lat. 39°26'55.21" N, long. 075°07'39.69" W)
Cedar Lake, NJ (VCN)	VOR/DME	(Lat. 39°32'15.62" N, long. 074°58'01.72" W)
LEBVE, NJ	Fix	(Lat. 39°39'25.01" N, long. 074°44'23.42" W)
Coyle, NJ (CYN)	VORTAC	(Lat. 39°49'02.42" N, long. 074°25'53.85" W)
WHITE, NJ	Fix	(Lat. 40°00'24.32" N, long. 074°15'04.61" W)

T-324 COLIN, VA TO ZIGGI, NJ [NEW]

COLIN, VA	Fix	(Lat. 38°05'59.23" N, long. 076°39'50.85" W)
SHLBK, MD	WP	(Lat. 38°20'16.21" N, long. 076°26'10.51" W)
QUENS, MD	WP	(Lat. 38°26'04.59" N, long. 076°19'10.06" W)
PRNCZ, MD	WP	(Lat. 38°37'38.10" N, long. 076°05'08.20" W)
GARED, MD	Fix	(Lat. 38°41'40.41" N, long. 076°01'21.96" W)
CHOPS, MD	Fix	(Lat. 38°45'41'81" N, long. 075°57'36.18" W)
COSHA, DE	WP	(Lat. 38°57'57.57" N, long. 075°30'51.59" W)
ATWEL, DE	Fix	(Lat. 38°59'17.98" N, long. 075°28'20.28" W)
GROUT, DE	Fix	(Lat. 39°01'08.72" N, long. 075°24'50.99" W)
DONIL, DE	Fix	(Lat. 39°04'35.44" N, long. 075°18'18.92" W)
LEEAH, NJ	Fix	(Lat. 39°15'39.27" N, long. 074°57'11.01" W)
TUBER, NJ	Fix	(Lat. 39°21'55.92" N, long. 074°45'05.19" W)
Atlantic City, NJ (ACY)	VORTAC	(Lat. 39°27'21.15" N, long. 074°34'34.73" W)
PANZE, NJ	Fix	(Lat. 39°40'33.58" N, long. 074°10'05.45" W)
FALON, NJ	Fix	(Lat. 39°49'00.73" N, long. 074°06'37.80" W)
ZIGGI, NJ	Fix	(Lat. 40°03'07.01" N, long. 074°00'49.34" W)

T-335 CHEYF, MD TO POTTSTOWN, PA (PTW) [NEW]

CHEYF, MD	WP	(Lat. 38°06'01.66" N, long. 075°27'12.74" W)
TRPOD, MD	WP	(Lat. 38°20'17.30" N, long. 075°30'28.27" W)

EZIZI, DE	WP	(Lat. 38°36'12.96" N, long. 075°30'38.10" W)
LAFNL, DE	WP	(Lat. 38°47'27.40" N, long. 075°30'47.72" W)
EGGRS, DE	WP	(Lat. 38°53'30.52" N, long. 075°30'49.95" W)
COSHA, DE	WP	(Lat. 38°57'57.57" N, long. 075°30'51.59" W)
Smyrna, DE (ENO)	VORTAC	(Lat. 39°13'53.93" N, long. 075°30'57.49" W)
ELUDE, MD	WP	(Lat. 39°39'11.28" N, long. 075°48'08.43" W)
FOLEZ, PA	WP	(Lat. 39°55'32.76" N, long. 075°49'16.49" W)
SINON, PA	WP	(Lat. 40°02'13.78" N, long. 075°34'45.93" W)
Pottstown, PA (PTW)	VORTAC	(Lat. 40°13'20.04" N, long. 075°33'36.90" W)

T-356 WOOLY, MD TO ELUDE, MD [NEW]

WOOLY, MD	Fix	(Lat. 39°20.19.18" N, long. 077°02'11.17" W)
DROSA, MD	WP	(Lat. 39°18'30.32" N, long. 076°58'06.22" W)
OBWON, MD	WP	(Lat. 39°11'54.69" N, long. 076°32'04.84" W)
SWANN, MD	Fix	(Lat. 39°09'05.28" N, long. 076°13'43.94" W)
GATBY, MD	Fix	(Lat. 39°15'40.02" N, long. 076°06'01.84" W)
KERNO, MD	Fix	(Lat. 39°18'36.25" N, long. 076°02'34.92" W)
ODESA, MD	Fix	(Lat. 39°29'29.00" N, long. 075°49'44.37" W)
ELUDE, MD	Fix	(Lat. 39°39'11.28" N, long. 075°48'08.43" W)

T-358 MARTINSBURG, WV (MRB) TO AVALO, NJ [NEW]

Martinsburg, WV (MRB)	VORTAC	(Lat. 39°23'08.06" N, long. 077°50'54.08" W)
CPTAL, MD	WP	(Lat. 39°32'16.02" N, long. 077°41'55.65" W)
HOGZZ, MD	WP	(Lat. 39°34'36.70" N, long. 077°12'44.75" W)
MOYRR, MD	WP	(Lat. 39°30'03.42" N, long. 076°56'10.84" W)
DANII, MD	WP	(Lat. 39°17'46.42" N, long. 076°42'19.36" W)
OBWON, MD	WP	(Lat. 39°11'54.69" N, long. 076°32'04.84" W)
SWANN, MD	Fix	(Lat. 39°09'05.28" N, long. 076°13'43.94" W)
GOLDA, MD	Fix	(Lat. 39°10'20.27" N, long. 076°02'51.07" W)
BROSS, MD	Fix	(Lat. 39°11'28.40" N, long. 075°52'49.88" W)
Smyrna, DE (ENO)	VORTAC	(Lat. 39°13'53.93" N, long. 075°30'57.49" W)
LEEAH, NJ	Fix	(Lat. 39°15'39.27" N, long. 074°57'11.01" W)
AVALO, NJ	Fix	(Lat. 39°16'54.52" N, long. 074°30'50.75" W)

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

19 CFR Part 351

[Docket No. 190522468-9468-01]

RIN 0625-AB16

Modification of Regulations Regarding Benefit and Specificity in Countervailing Duty Proceedings

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

ACTION: Proposed rule and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce (Commerce) proposes to modify two regulations pertaining to the determination of benefit and specificity in countervailing duty proceedings. These modifications, if adopted, would clarify how Commerce determines the existence of a benefit resulting from a subsidy in the form of currency undervaluation, and clarify that companies in the traded goods sector of an economy can constitute a group of

enterprises for purposes of determining whether a subsidy is specific.

DATES: To be assured of consideration, written comments must be received no later than June 27, 2019.

ADDRESSES: All comments must be submitted through the Federal eRulemaking Portal at <http://www.regulations.gov>, Docket No. ITA-2019-0002, unless the commenter does not have access to the internet.

Commenters that do not have access to the internet may submit the original and one electronic copy of each set of comments by mail or hand delivery/courier. All comments should be addressed to Jeffrey I. Kessler, Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance, Room 1870, Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Ave. NW, Washington, DC 20230. Comments submitted to Commerce will be uploaded to the eRulemaking Portal at www.Regulations.gov.

Commerce will consider all comments received before the close of the comment period. All comments responding to this notice will be a matter of public record and will be available on the Federal eRulemaking Portal at www.Regulations.gov. Commerce will not accept comments accompanied by a request that part or all of the material be treated confidentially because of its business proprietary nature or for any other reason.

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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Gregory Campbell at (202) 482-2239 or Matthew Walden at (202) 482-2963.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

The purpose of the U.S. countervailing duty law is to provide a remedy for U.S. workers and businesses injured by unfairly subsidized imports. It is based upon the recognition that certain government interventions in the market cause distortions to trade and confer unfair advantages on certain economic actors. The countervailing duty law therefore provides for the imposition of a countervailing duty on subsidized imports to offset the portion of the subsidy attributable to the imported goods. Commerce conducts an investigation to determine whether countervailable subsidies have been provided, and the U.S. International Trade Commission separately determines whether the domestic industry of the like product is injured (or threatened with injury) by reason of those imports. If both agencies reach affirmative determinations, Commerce will instruct U.S. Customs and Border Protection to apply countervailing duties on the subject imports.

A countervailing duty investigation is initiated when Commerce receives a