duty payments on the foreign-status components used in export production. On its domestic sales, for the foreign-status components noted below, Kubota would be able to choose the duty rates during customs entry procedures that apply to agricultural and specialty vehicles (duty-free). Kubota would be able to avoid duty on foreign-status components which become scrap/waste. Customs duties also could possibly be deferred or reduced on foreign-status production equipment.

The materials/components sourced from abroad include: Bonnet bands; radio kits; hour meters; and, air conditioning units (duty rate ranges from duty-free to 6.5%). The request indicates that bonnet bands will be admitted to the zone in privileged foreign status (19 CFR 146.41), thereby precluding inverted tariff benefits on such items. The request also indicates that certain components are subject to special duties under Section 301 of the Trade Act of 1974 (Section 301), depending on the country of origin. The applicable Section 301 decisions require subject merchandise to be admitted to FTZs in privileged foreign status (19 CFR 146.41).

Public comment is invited from interested parties. Submissions shall be addressed to the Board's Executive Secretary and sent to: ftz@trade.gov. The closing period for their receipt is December 9, 2019.

A copy of the notification will be available for public inspection in the "Reading Room" section of the Board's website, which is accessible via www.trade.gov/ftz.

For further information, contact Christopher Wedderburn at Chris.Wedderburn@trade.gov or (202) 482–1963.

Dated: October 24, 2019.

Andrew McGilvray,

Executive Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[B-66-2019]

Foreign-Trade Zone (FTZ) 122—Corpus Christi, Texas; Notification of Proposed Production Activity; Cheniere Energy, Inc. (Liquified Natural Gas Processing), Portland, Texas

The Port of Corpus Christi Authority, grantee of FTZ 122, submitted a notification of proposed production activity to the FTZ Board on behalf of Cheniere Energy, Inc. (Cheniere), located in Portland, Texas. The notification conforming to the requirements of the regulations of the FTZ Board (15 CFR 400.22) was received on October 16, 2019.

The applicant has submitted a separate application for FTZ designation at the Cheniere facility under FTZ 122. The facility will be used for liquified natural gas processing. Pursuant to 15 CFR 400.14(b), FTZ activity would be limited to the specific foreign-status material and specific finished products described in the submitted notification (as described below) and subsequently authorized by the FTZ Board.

Production under FTZ procedures could exempt Cheniere from customs duty payments on the foreign-status gaseous natural gas (duty-free) used in export production. On its domestic sales, for the foreign-status gaseous natural gas, Cheniere would be able to choose the duty rates during customs entry procedures that apply to liquified natural gas and stabilized gas condensate (duty rates are duty-free and 10.5 cents/barrel, respectively). Cheniere would be able to avoid duty on the foreign-status material which become scrap/waste. Customs duties also could possibly be deferred or reduced on foreign-status production equipment.

The request indicates that gaseous natural gas is subject to special duties under Section 301 of the Trade Act of 1974 (Section 301), depending on the country of origin. The applicable Section 301 decisions require subject merchandise to be admitted to FTZs in privileged foreign status (19 CFR 146.41).

Public comment is invited from interested parties. Submissions shall be addressed to the Board's Executive Secretary and sent to: ftz@trade.gov. The closing period for their receipt is December 9, 2019.

A copy of the notification will be available for public inspection in the "Reading Room" section of the Board's website, which is accessible via www.trade.gov/ftz.

For further information, contact Diane Finver at *Diane.Finver@trade.gov* or (202) 482–1367.

Dated: October 22, 2019.

Andrew McGilvray,

Executive Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration [A-570-112]

Certain Collated Steel Staples From the People's Republic of China: Postponement of Preliminary Determination in the Less-Than-Fair-Value Investigation

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

DATES: Applicable October 29, 2019. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: William Horn at (202) 482–4868 or Sergio Balbontin at (202) 482–6478, AD/CVD Operations, Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20230.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On July 3, 2019, the Department of Commerce (Commerce) initiated the less-than-fair-value (LTFV) investigation of imports of certain collated steel staples from the People's Republic of China. The deadline for the preliminary determination is November 13, 2019.

Postponement of Preliminary Determinations

Section 733(b)(1)(A) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act), requires Commerce to issue the preliminary determination in an LTFV investigation within 140 days after the date on which Commerce initiated the investigation. However, section 733(c)(1) of the Act permits Commerce to postpone the preliminary determination until no later than 190 days after the date on which Commerce initiated the investigation if: (A) The petitioner makes a timely request for a postponement; or (B) Commerce concludes that the parties concerned are cooperating, that the investigation is extraordinarily complicated, and that additional time is necessary to make a preliminary determination. Under 19 CFR 351.205(e), the petitioner must submit a request for postponement 25 days or more before the scheduled date of the preliminary determination and must state the reasons for the request. Commerce will grant the request unless it finds compelling reasons to deny the request.

¹ See Certain Collated Steel Staples from the People's Republic of China, the Republic of Korea, and Taiwan: Initiation of Less-Than-Fair-Value Investigations, 84 FR 31833 (July 3, 2019).

On October 2, 2019, the petitioner ² submitted a timely request that Commerce postpone the preliminary determination in this LTFV investigation.³ The petitioner stated that it requests postponement to provide adequate time for it and Commerce to review the respondents' questionnaire responses prior to the preliminary determination. The petitioner requests that Commerce fully extend the preliminary determination by 50 days.

For the reason stated above and because there are no compelling reasons to deny the request, Commerce, in accordance with section 733(c)(1)(A) of the Act, is postponing the deadline for the preliminary determination by 50 days (i.e., 190 days after the date on which this investigation was initiated). As a result, Commerce will issue its preliminary determination no later than January 2, 2020. In accordance with section 735(a)(1) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.210(b)(1), the deadline for the final determination of this investigation will continue to be 75 days after the date of the preliminary determination, unless postponed at a later date.

This notice is issued and published pursuant to section 733(c)(2) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.205(f)(1).

Dated: October 23, 2019.

Jeffrey I. Kessler,

Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration [C-570-011]

Crystalline Silicon Photovoltaic Products From the People's Republic of China: Rescission of Countervailing Duty Administrative Review; 2018

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

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce (Commerce) is rescinding the administrative review of the countervailing duty (CVD) order on crystalline silicon photovoltaic products (solar products) from the People's Republic of China (China) for the period of review January 1, 2018, through December 31, 2018 (POR).

DATES: Applicable October 29, 2019.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Gene H. Calvert, AD/CVD Operations, Office VII, Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20230; telephone (202) 482–3586.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On February 8, 2019, Commerce published in the Federal Register a notice of opportunity to request an administrative review of the CVD order on solar products from China for the POR.¹ On February 25, 2019, Shenzhen Portable Electronic Technology Co., Ltd. (Shenzhen Technology) a Chinese exporter of the subject merchandise covered by the underlying CVD order, timely requested a review for its own POR entries of subject merchandise.2 On February 28, 2019, Suniva, Inc. (Suniva), a domestic producer of subject merchandise, timely requested a review of 12 companies, one of which was Shenzhen Technology.3 Shenzhen Technology and Suniva each filed its request for review in accordance with section 751(a) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act), and 19 CFR 351.213(b). No other interested party requested an administrative review of any company for this segment of the proceeding. Based on the requests filed by Shenzhen Technology and Suniva, and in accordance with section 751(a) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.221(c)(1)(i), on May 2, 2019, Commerce initiated an administrative review of the CVD order on solar products from China covering the POR.4

On May 2, 2019, Suniva timely withdrew its request for the administrative review of all the companies for which it requested an administrative review; ⁵ Shenzhen Technology timely withdrew its request

for an administrative review regarding its own entries on June 13, 2019.⁶

Rescission of Review

Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.213(d)(1), the Secretary will rescind an administrative review, in whole or in part, if the party that requested the review withdraws the request within 90 days of the date of publication of the notice of initiation of the requested review. As noted above, Shenzhen Technology and Suniva, the only interested parties that filed requests for an administrative review for this segment of the proceeding, each timely withdrew its respective request for all companies for which a review was requested. Accordingly, Commerce is rescinding the administrative review of the CVD order on solar products from China for the period January 1, 2018, through December 31, 2018, in its entirety.

Assessment

Commerce will instruct U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) to assess CVD duties on all appropriate entries of solar products from China. CVD duties shall be assessed at rates equal to the cash deposit of estimated CVD duties required at the time of entry, or withdrawal from warehouse, for consumption, in accordance with 19 CFR 351.212(c)(1)(i). Commerce intends to issue appropriate assessment instructions to CBP 15 days after the date of publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**.

Notice to Importers

This notice serves as a reminder to importers of their responsibility under 19 CFR 351.402(f)(2) to file a certificate regarding the reimbursement of CVD duties prior to liquidation of relevant entries during this review period. Failure to comply with this requirement could result in Commerce's presumption that reimbursement of CVD duties occurred and the subsequent assessment of doubled CVD duties.

Notification Regarding Administrative Protective Orders

This notice also serves as a reminder to all 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. Timely written notification of the return/destruction of APO materials or conversion to judicial

² The petitioner is Kyocera Senco Industrial Tools, Inc.

³ See Petitioner's Letter, "Certain Collated Steel Staples from the People's Republic of China: Request to Postpone Preliminary Antidumping Duty Determination," dated October 2, 2019.

¹ See Antidumping or Countervailing Duty Order, Finding, or Suspended Investigation; Opportunity to Request Administrative Review, 84 FR 2816 (February 8, 2019).

² See Shenzhen Technology's Letter, "Crystalline Silicon Photovoltaic Products from the People's Republic of China—Request for Administrative Review," dated February 25, 2019.

³ See Suniva's Letter, "Crystalline Silicon Photovoltaic Products from the People's Republic of China: Request for Administrative Review," dated February 28, 2019.

⁴ See Initiation of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Administrative Reviews, 84 FR 18777 (May 2, 2019).

⁵ See Suniva's Letter, "Crystalline Silicon Photovoltaic Products from the People's Republic of China: Withdraw of Request of Administrative Review," dated (May 2, 2019).

⁶ See Shenzhen Technology's Letter, "Crystalline Silicon Photovoltaic Products from the People's Republic of China—Withdrawal of Request for Administrative Review," dated June 13, 2019.