authorities.¹³ Case and rebuttal briefs should be filed using ACCESS.¹⁴

Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.310(c), interested parties who wish to request a hearing must submit a written request to the Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance, U.S. Department of Commerce, filed electronically via ACCESS within 30 days after the date of publication of this notice.¹⁵ Hearing requests should contain: (1) The party's name, address, and telephone number; (2) the number of participants; and (3) a list of issues to be discussed. Issues raised in the hearing will be limited to issues raised in the briefs. If a request for a hearing is made, Commerce intends to hold the hearing at a date and time to be determined.¹⁶ Parties should confirm by telephone the date, time, and location of the hearing two days before the scheduled date.

An electronically-filed document must be received successfully in its entirety by ACCESS by 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time on the established deadline.

Commerce intends to issue the final results of this administrative review, which will include the results of its analysis of all issues raised in the case briefs, not later than 120 days after the date of publication of this notice, unless otherwise extended.¹⁷

Assessment Rates

Upon completion of the administrative review, Commerce shall determine, and U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) shall assess, antidumping duties on all appropriate entries covered by this review.¹⁸ For the final results, if we continue to treat the following companies as part of Chinawide entity, we will instruct CBP to apply an *ad valorem* assessment rate of 326.15 percent to all entries of subject merchandise during the POR that were produced and/or exported by those companies: Dava Industry, Deyuan Panmin, Guangzhou Hercules, Nande Stone, and Xiamen Devuan.

We intend to issue assessment instructions to CBP 35 days after the publication of the final results of this review.

Cash Deposit Requirements

The following cash deposit requirements will be effective upon publication of the final results of this administrative review for all shipments

- ¹⁵ See 19 CFR 351.310(c).
- ¹⁶ See 19 CFR 351.310(d).
- ^{17}See section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act.
- 18 See 19 CFR 351.212(b)(1).

of the subject merchandise from China entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after the publication date, as provided for by section 751(a)(2)(C) of the Act: (1) For all previously investigated Chinese and non-Chinese exporters for which a review was not requested and that received a separate rate in a prior segment of this proceeding, the cash deposit rate will continue to be the existing exporter-specific rate published in the most recently-completed segment of this proceeding; (2) for all Chinese exporters of subject merchandise that have not been found to be entitled to a separate rate, the cash deposit rate will be the rate for China-wide entity, 326.15 percent; and (3) for all exporters of subject merchandise that are not located in China and have not received a separate rate, the cash deposit rate will be the rate applicable to Chinese exporter(s) that supplied that non-Chinese exporter. These deposit requirements, when imposed, shall remain in effect until further notice.

Notification to Importers

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

Notification to Interested Parties

We are issuing and publishing these preliminary results in accordance with sections 751(a)(l), 751(a)(3), and 777(i)(l) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.213 and 351.221(b)(4).

Dated: March 30, 2021.

Christian Marsh,

Acting Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance.

Appendix—List of Topics Discussed in the Preliminary Decision Memorandum

- I. Summary
- II. Background
- III. Scope of the Order
- IV. Discussion of the Methodology
- V. Recommendation

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[A-570-051; C-570-052]

Certain Hardwood Plywood Products From the People's Republic of China: Preliminary Results of Changed Circumstances Reviews, and Consideration of Revocation of the Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Orders in Part

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

SUMMARY: On October 15, 2020, the Department of Commerce (Commerce) received a request for revocation, in part, of the antidumping duty (AD) and countervailing duty (CVD) orders on certain hardwood plywood products (hardwood plywood) from the People's Republic of China (China) with respect to certain finished laminated veneer lumber (LVL) door stiles and rails. We preliminary determine to revoke, in part, the *Orders* with respect to these products. Interested parties are invited to comment on these preliminary results.

DATES: Applicable April 6, 2021. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Nicolas Mayora, AD/CVD Operations, Office V, Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482–3053.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On January 4, 2018, Commerce published the AD and CVD orders on hardwood plywood from China.¹ On October 15, 2020, the Coalition for Fair Trade in Hardwood Plywood (the petitioner) requested that Commerce initiate changed circumstances reviews (CCRs) to revoke, in part, the *Orders* with respect to certain LVL door stiles and rails, pursuant to section 751(b)(1) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act), and 19 CFR 351.216(b).²

¹³ See 19 CFR 351.309(c)(2).

¹⁴ See 19 CFR 351.303.

¹ See Certain Hardwood Plywood Products from the People's Republic of China: Amended Final Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value, and Antidumping Duty Order, 83 FR 504 (January 4, 2018); and Certain Hardwood Plywood Products from the People's Republic of China: Countervailing Duty Order, 83 FR 513 (January 4, 2018) (collectively, the Orders).

² See Petitioner's Letter, "Hardwood Plywood Products from the People's Republic of China: Request for Changed Circumstances Review and Partial Revocation," dated October 15, 2020 (CCR Request); Commerce's Letter, "Clarification of Changed Circumstances Review and Partial Revocation Request," dated November 12, 2020; Commerce's Letter, "Clarification of Changed

On February 9, 2021, we published the Initiation Notice for these CCRs in the Federal Register.³ We invited interested parties to submit comments concerning industry support for the revocation, in part, of the Orders, as well as comments and/or factual information regarding these CCRs. We also invited interested parties to comment on whether any of their entries are covered by the revocation request but enjoined from liquidation due to an injunction issued in ongoing litigation. On February 19, 2020, we received comments on behalf of importer MJB Wood Group LLC (MJB) agreeing with the proposed revocation and confirming that it had no such entries.⁴ We received no further comments on the Initiation Notice.

Scope of the Orders

The merchandise covered by these Orders is hardwood plywood from China. For a complete description of the scope of the Orders, see the appendix to this notice.

Scope of the CCRs

The petitioner requests that Commerce revoke the *Orders*, in part, to exclude from the scope door stiles and rails made of LVL that have a width not to exceed 50 millimeters, a thickness not to exceed 50 millimeters, and a length of less than 2,450 millimeters.

Preliminary Results of the CCRs and Intent To Revoke the Orders, in Part

Pursuant to section 751(d)(1) of the Act, and 19 CFR 351.222(g), Commerce may revoke an order, in whole or in part, based on a review under section 751(b) of the Act (*i.e.*, a CCR). Section 751(b)(1) of the Act requires a CCR to be conducted upon receipt of a request which shows changed circumstances sufficient to warrant a review. Section 782(h)(2) of the Act gives Commerce the authority to revoke an order (in whole or in part) if it determines that producers accounting for substantially all of the production of the domestic like product have no further interest in the order, in whole or in part. Section

⁴ See MJB's Letter, "Changed Circumstances Reviews of Hardwood Plywood Products from the People's Republic of China: Comments on Initiation Notice," dated February 19, 2021 (MJB Letter).

351.222(g) of Commerce's regulations provides that Commerce will conduct a CCR of an AD or CVD order under 19 CFR 351.216, and may revoke an order (in whole or in part), if it concludes that: (i) Producers accounting for substantially all of the production of the domestic like product to which the order pertains have expressed a lack of interest in the relief provided by the order, in whole or in part; or (ii) if other changed circumstances sufficient to warrant revocation exist. Thus, both the Act and Commerce's regulations require that "substantially all" domestic producers express a lack of interest in the order for Commerce to revoke the order, in whole or in part.⁵ In its administrative practice, Commerce has interpreted "substantially all" to represent producers accounting for at least 85 percent of U.S. production of the domestic like product.6

The petitioner submitted a statement of lack of interest in the continued application of the Orders with respect to certain LVL door stiles and rails and requested that Commerce conduct these CCRs on an expedited basis.⁷ Commerce's regulations do not specify a deadline for the issuance of preliminary results of a CCR but provide that Commerce will issue the final results of the review within 270 days after the date on which the CCR is initiated, or within 45 days if all parties to the proceeding agree to the outcome of the review.⁸ Commerce did not issue a combined notice of initiation and preliminary results because the record was unclear as to whether the petitioner accounts for substantially all domestic production of hardwood plywood.9 Thus, Commerce did not determine in the Initiation Notice whether producers accounting for substantially all of the production of the domestic like product lacked interest. Instead, we invited interested parties to submit comments concerning domestic industry support with respect to the requested partial revocation of the Orders.¹⁰ Although Commerce received comments from MJB in response to initiation of these CCRs, the comments did not address the issue of domestic industry support.¹¹ Commerce, therefore, received no comments on industry support. As a

- ⁸ See 19 CFR 351.216 (e).
- ⁹ See Initiation Notice.

result, we find that the domestic industry has expressed no opposition with respect to the proposed revocation, in part, of the *Orders*.

In light of the petitioner's statement of lack of interest, and the absence of comments from any interested party addressing the issue of domestic industry support, we preliminarily conclude that producers accounting for substantially all of the production of the domestic like product to which the *Orders* pertain lack interest in the relief provided by the *Orders* with respect to LVL door stiles and rails. Thus, we preliminarily determine that changed circumstances warrant revocation of the *Orders*, in part, with respect to certain LVL door stiles and rails.

The petitioner requested that partial revocation of the Orders be applied retroactively to June 23, 2017, and April 25, 2017, for the AD and CVD orders, respectively, *i.e.*, the dates of the preliminary determinations in the AD and CVD investigations.¹² The petitioner also requested that Commerce instruct U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) to discontinue the suspension of liquidation for imports subject to the CCR Request and entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption before June 12, 2020, and to liquidate all such entries without regard to duties.13

Section 751(d)(3) of the Act provides that "{a} determination under this section to revoke an order . . . shall apply with respect to unliquidated entries of the subject merchandise which entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after the date determined by the administering authority." Consistently, Commerce's general practice is to instruct CBP to liquidate without regard to AD and CVD duties, and to refund any estimated deposits of those duties, on all unliquidated entries of the merchandise covered by a revocation that are not covered by the final results of an administrative review or automatic liquidation.¹⁴ Commerce has exercised

¹³ *Id.* The petitioner does not explain how this request is consistent with its request that Commerce revoke the *Orders* retroactive to 2017, however.

¹⁴ See, e.g., Certain Pasta from Italy: Final Results of Countervailing Duty Changed Circumstances Review and Revocation, In Part, 76 FR 27634 (May 12, 2011); Stainless Steel Bar from the United Kingdom: Notice of Final Results of Changed Circumstances Review and Revocation of Order, in Part, 72 FR 65706 (November 23, 2007); Notice of Final Results of Antidumping Duty Changed Circumstances Review and Revocation of Order In Part: Certain Corrosion-Resistant Carbon Steel Flat Products from Germany, 71 FR 66163 (November 13, 2006); Notice of Final Results of Antidumping Duty Changed Circumstances Reviews and

Circumstances Review and Partial Revocation Request,'' dated November 17, 2020; and Petitioner's Letter, ''Hardwood Plywood Products from the People's Republic of China: Response to Clarification of Changed Circumstances Review and Partial Revocation Request,'' dated December 10, 2020.

³ See Certain Hardwood Plywood Products from the People's Republic of China: Initiation of Antidumping Duty and Countervailing Duty Changed Circumstances Reviews, 86 FR 8766 (February 9, 2021) (Initiation Notice).

⁵ See Section 782(h) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.222(g).

⁶ See, e.g., Supercalendered Paper from Canada: Final Results of Changed Circumstances Review and Revocation of Countervailing Duty Order, 83 FR 32268 (July 12, 2018).

⁷ See CCR Request at II.

¹⁰ Id., 86 FR at 8767.

¹¹ See MJB Letter.

¹² See CCR Request at 8.

its discretion and deviated from this general practice if the particular facts of the case have implications for the effective date of the partial revocation selected by Commerce.¹⁵

If we make a final determination to revoke the Orders, in part, Commerce intends to apply these determinations to each order as follows. Because we have completed administrative reviews of the Orders, the partial revocation will be retroactively applied to unliquidated entries of merchandise subject to the CCRs that were entered or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption, on or after the day following the last day of the period covered by the most recently completed administrative review of the Orders, and which are not covered by automatic liquidation (*i.e.*, January 1, 2020).

Public Comment

Interested parties are invited to comment on these preliminary results in accordance with 19 CFR 351.309(c)(1)(ii). Written comments may be submitted to Commerce no later than 14 days after the date of publication of these preliminary results. Rebuttal comments, limited to issues raised in such comments, may be filed with Commerce no later than seven days after the comments are filed.¹⁶ Note that Commerce has temporarily modified certain of its requirements for serving documents containing business proprietary information until further notice.17 All submissions must be filed electronically using the Enforcement and Compliance's AD and CVD Centralized Electronic Service System (ACCESS). ACCESS is available to registered users at https:// access.trade.gov. An electronically-filed document must be received successfully in its entirety in ACCESS by 5:00 p.m.

¹⁵ See section 751(d)(3) of the Act; and *Itochu* Building Products v. United States, Court No. 11– 00208, Slip Op. 14–37 (CIT 2014) (*Itochu Bldg.* Prod) (CIT April 8, 2014) at 12 ("The statutory provision, as discussed above, provides Commerce with discretion in the selection of the effective date for a partial revocation following a changed circumstances review, but that discretion may not be exercised arbitrarily so as to decide the question presented without considering the relevant and competing considerations").

¹⁶ Submissions of rebuttal factual information must comply with 19 CFR 351.301(b)(2); see also Temporary Rule Modifying AD/CVD Service Requirements Due to COVID–19; Extension of Effective Period, 85 FR 41363 (July 10, 2020) (Temporary Rule).

¹⁷ See Temporary Rule.

Eastern Time on the due date set forth in this notice.

Final Results of the Changed Circumstances Reviews

Commerce will issue its final results of these CCRs, which will include its analysis of any written comments, no later than 270 days after the date on which these reviews were initiated. If, in the final results of these reviews, Commerce continues to determine that changed circumstances warrant the revocation of the Orders, in part, we will instruct CBP to liquidate without regard to AD or CVD duties, and to refund any deposits of estimated AD and CVD duties, on all unliquidated entries of the merchandise covered by the revocation that are not covered by the final results of an administrative review or automatic liquidation. The current requirement for cash deposit of estimated AD and CVD duties on all entries of subject merchandise will continue unless they are modified pursuant to the final results of these CCRs.

Notification to Interested Parties

These preliminary results of review are being issued and published in accordance with sections 751(b) and 777(i) of the Act, and 19 CFR 315.216, 19 CFR 351.221(c)(3), and 19 CFR 351.222.

Dated: March 30, 2021.

Christian Marsh,

Acting Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance.

Appendix—Scope of the Orders

The merchandise subject to these Orders is hardwood and decorative plywood, and certain veneered panels as described below. For purposes of this proceeding, hardwood and decorative plywood is defined as a generally flat, multilayered plywood or other veneered panel, consisting of two or more layers or plies of wood veneers and a core, with the face and/or back veneer made of non-coniferous wood (hardwood) or bamboo. The veneers, along with the core may be glued or otherwise bonded together. Hardwood and decorative plywood may include products that meet the American National Standard for Hardwood and Decorative Plywood, ANSI/HPVA HP-1-2016 (including any revisions to that standard).

For purposes of this proceeding a "veneer" is a slice of wood regardless of thickness which is cut, sliced or sawed from a log, bolt, or flitch. The face and back veneers are the outermost veneer of wood on either side of the core irrespective of additional surface coatings or covers as described below.

The core of hardwood and decorative plywood consists of the layer or layers of one or more material(s) that are situated between the face and back veneers. The core may be composed of a range of materials, including but not limited to hardwood, softwood, particleboard, or medium-density fiberboard (MDF).

All hardwood plywood is included within the scope of these Orders regardless of whether or not the face and/or back veneers are surface coated or covered and whether or not such surface coating(s) or covers obscures the grain, textures, or markings of the wood. Examples of surface coatings and covers include, but are not limited to: Ultra violet light cured polyurethanes; oil or oil-modified or water based polyurethanes; wax; epoxyester finishes; moisture-cured urethanes; paints; stains; paper; aluminum; high pressure laminate; MDF; medium density overlay (MDO); and phenolic film. Additionally, the face veneer of hardwood plywood may be sanded; smoothed or given a "distressed" appearance through such methods as hand-scraping or wire brushing. All hardwood plywood is included within the scope even if it is trimmed; cut-to-size; notched; punched; drilled; or has underwent other forms of minor processing.

All hardwood and decorative plywood is included within the scope of these *Orders*, without regard to dimension (overall thickness, thickness of face veneer, thickness of back veneer, thickness of core, thickness of inner veneers, width, or length). However, the most common panel sizes of hardwood and decorative plywood are 1219 x 1829 mm (48 x 72 inches), 1219 x 2438 mm (48 x 96 inches), and 1219 x 3048 mm (48 x 120 inches).

Subject merchandise also includes hardwood and decorative plywood that has been further processed in a third country, including but not limited to trimming, cutting, notching, punching, drilling, or any other processing that would not otherwise remove the merchandise from the scope of the *Orders* if performed in the country of manufacture of the in-scope product.

The scope of the Orders excludes the following items: (1) Structural plywood (also known as "industrial plywood" or "industrial panels") that is manufactured to meet U.S. Products Standard PS 1-09, PS 2-09, or PS 2-10 for Structural Plywood (including any revisions to that standard or any substantially equivalent international standard intended for structural plywood). and which has both a face and a back veneer of coniferous wood; (2) products which have a face and back veneer of cork; (3) multilayered wood flooring, as described in the antidumping duty and countervailing duty orders on Multilayered Wood Flooring from the People's Republic of China, Import Administration, International Trade Administration. See Multilayered Wood Flooring from the People's Republic of China, 76 FR 76690 (December 8, 2011) (amended final determination of sales at less than fair value and antidumping duty order), and Multilayered Wood Flooring from the People's Republic of China, 76 FR 76693 (December 8, 2011) (countervailing duty order), as amended by Multilayered Wood Flooring from the People's Republic of China: Amended Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Orders, 77 FR 5484 (February 3, 2012); (4) multilayered wood flooring with a face

Revocation of Orders in Part: Certain Corrosion-Resistant Carbon Steel Flat Products from Canada and Germany, 71 FR 14498 (March 22, 2006); and Notice of Final Results of Antidumping Duty Changed Circumstances Review, and Determination to Revoke Order in Part: Certain Cased Pencils from the People's Republic of China, 68 FR 62428 (November 4, 2003).

veneer of bamboo or composed entirely of bamboo; (5) plywood which has a shape or design other than a flat panel, with the exception of any minor processing described above; (6) products made entirely from bamboo and adhesives (also known as "solid bamboo"); and (7) Phenolic Film Faced Plyform (PFF), also known as Phenolic Surface Film Plywood (PSF), defined as a panel with an "Exterior" or "Exposure 1' bond classification as is defined by The Engineered Wood Association, having an opaque phenolic film layer with a weight equal to or greater than 90g/m3 permanently bonded on both the face and back veneers and an opaque, moisture resistant coating applied to the edges.

Excluded from the scope of these Orders are wooden furniture goods that, at the time of importation, are fully assembled and are ready for their intended uses. Also excluded from the scope of these Orders is "ready to assemble" (RTA) furniture. RTA furniture is defined as (A) furniture packaged for sale for ultimate purchase by an end-user that, at the time of importation, includes (1) all wooden components (in finished form) required to assemble a finished unit of furniture, (2) all accessory parts (e.g., screws, washers, dowels, nails, handles, knobs, adhesive glues) required to assemble a finished unit of furniture, and (3) instructions providing guidance on the assembly of a finished unit of furniture; (B) unassembled bathroom vanity cabinets, having a space for one or more sinks, that are imported with all unassembled hardwood and hardwood plywood components that have been cut-tofinal dimensional component shape/size, painted or stained prior to importation, and stacked within a singled shipping package, except for furniture feet which may be packed and shipped separately; or (C) unassembled bathroom vanity linen closets that are imported with all unassembled hardwood and hardwood plywood components that have been cut-to-final dimensional shape/size, painted or stained prior to importation, and stacked within a single shipping package, except for furniture feet which may be packed and shipped separately.

Excluded from the scope of these Orders are kitchen cabinets that, at the time of importation, are fully assembled and are ready for their intended uses. Also excluded from the scope of these Orders are RTA kitchen cabinets. RTA kitchen cabinets are defined as kitchen cabinets packaged for sale for ultimate purchase by an end-user that, at the time of importation, includes (1) all wooden components (in finished form) required to assemble a finished unit of cabinetry, (2) all accessory parts (e.g., screws, washers, dowels, nails, handles, knobs, hooks, adhesive glues) required to assemble a finished unit of cabinetry, and (3) instructions providing guidance on the assembly of a finished unit of cabinetry.

Excluded from the scope of these *Orders* are finished table tops, which are table tops imported in finished form with pre-cut or drilled openings to attach the underframe or legs. The table tops are ready for use at the time of import and require no further finishing or processing.

Excluded from the scope of these *Orders* are finished countertops that are imported in finished form and require no further finishing or manufacturing.

Excluded from the scope of these Orders are laminated veneer lumber door and window components with (1) a maximum width of 44 millimeters, a thickness from 30 millimeters to 72 millimeters, and a length of less than 2413 millimeters (2) water boiling point exterior adhesive, (3) a modulus of elasticity of 1,500,000 pounds per square inch or higher, (4) finger-jointed or lapjointed core veneer with all layers oriented so that the grain is running parallel or with no more than 3 dispersed layers of veneer oriented with the grain running perpendicular to the other layers; and (5) top layer machined with a curved edge and one or more profile channels throughout.

Imports of hardwood plywood are primarily entered under the following Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS) subheadings: 4412.10.0500; 4412.31.0520; 4412.31.0540; 4412.31.0560; 4412.31.0620; 4412.31.0640; 4412.31.0660; 4412.31.2510; 4412.31.2520; 4412.31.2610; 4412.31.2620; 4412.31.4040; 4412.31.4050; 4412.31.4060; 4412.31.4075; 4412.31.4080; 4412.31.4140; 4412.31.4150; 4412.31.4160; 4412.31.4180; 4412.31.5125; 4412.31.5135; 4412.31.5155; 4412.31.5165; 4412.31.5175; 4412.31.5235; 4412.31.5255; 4412.31.5265; 4412.31.5275; 4412.31.6000; 4412.31.6100; 4412.31.9100; 4412.31.9200; 4412.32.0520; 4412.32.0540; 4412.32.0565; 4412.32.0570; 4412.32.0620; 4412.32.0640; 4412.32.0670; 4412.32.2510; 4412.32.2525; 4412.32.2530; 4412.32.2610; 4412.32.2630; 4412.32.3125; 4412.32.3135; 4412.32.3155; 4412.32.3165; 4412.32.3175; 4412.32.3185; 4412.32.3235; 4412.32.3255; 4412.32.3265; 4412.32.3275; 4412.32.3285; 4412.32.5600; 4412.32.3235; 4412.32.3255; 4412.32.3265; 4412.32.3275; 4412.32.3285; 4412.32.5700; 4412.94.1030; 4412.94.1050; 4412.94.3105; 4412.94.3111; 4412.94.3121; 4412.94.3141; 4412.94.3161; 4412.94.3175; 4412.94.4100; 4412.99.0600; 4412.99.1020; 4412.99.1030; 4412.99.1040; 4412.99.3110; 4412.99.3120; 4412.99.3130; 4412.99.3140; 4412.99.3150; 4412.99.3160; 4412.99.3170; 4412.99.4100; 4412.99.5115; and 4412.99.5710.

Imports of hardwood plywood may also enter under HTSUS subheadings 4412.99.6000; 4412.99.7000; 4412.99.8000; 4412.99.9000; 4412.10.9000; 4412.94.5100; 4412.94.9500; and 4412.99.9500. While the HTSUS subheadings are provided for convenience and customs purposes, the written description of the scope of these *Orders* is dispositive.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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Takes of Marine Mammals Incidental to Specified Activities; Taking Marine Mammals Incidental to Chevron Richmond Refinery Long Wharf Maintenance and Efficiency Project in San Francisco Bay, California

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Notice; proposed issuance of an Incidental Harassment Authorization; request for comments.

SUMMARY: NMFS has received a request from Chevron Products Company (Chevron) for an incidental harassment authorization (IHA), that would cover a subset of the take authorized in IHAs previously issued to Chevron, to incidentally take marine mammals, by Level B harassment only, during construction activities associated with the Chevron Richmond Refinery Long Wharf Maintenance and Efficiency Project (LWMEP) in San Francisco Bay, California. However, some changes have occurred during this year's evaluation of the project. Hydroacoustic monitoring data has led to changes in source levels and other noise generating criteria that affect Level A and Level B harassment and shutdown zones. The local abundance for one population has increased. Pursuant to the Marine Mammal Protection Act (MMPA), NMFS is requesting comments on its proposal to issue an IHA to incidentally take marine mammals during the specified activities. NMFS is also requesting comments on a possible 1 year renewal IHA that could be issued under certain circumstances and if all requirements are met, as described in Request for Public Comments at the end of this notice. NMFS will consider public comments prior to making any final decision on the issuance of the requested MMPA authorizations and agency responses will be summarized in the final notice of our decision. **DATES:** Comments and information must be received no later than May 6, 2021. **ADDRESSES:** Comments should be addressed to Jolie Harrison, Chief, Permits and Conservation Division, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service. Written comments should be submitted via email to ITP.Meadows@noaa.gov.

Instructions: NMFS is not responsible for comments sent by any other method,