DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
International Trade Administration

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Certain Non-Refillable Steel Cylinders From India: Postponement of Preliminary Determination in the Countervailing Duty Investigation

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


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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On May 17, 2023, the U.S. Department of Commerce (Commerce) initiated a countervailing duty (CVD) investigation of imports of certain non-refillable steel cylinders (cylinders) from India.1 Currently, the preliminary determination is due no later than July 21, 2023.

Postponement of Preliminary Determination

Section 703(b)(1) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act), requires Commerce to issue the preliminary determination in a CVD investigation within 65 days after the date on which Commerce initiated the investigation. However, section 703(c)(1) of the Act permits Commerce to postpone the preliminary determination until no later than 130 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.

On June 26, 2023, the petitioner in this CVD investigation submitted a timely request that Commerce postpone the preliminary determination. The petitioner stated that Commerce needs additional time to collect and analyze questionnaire responses from the Government of India (GOI) and the mandatory respondents in this investigation. Additionally, the petitioner stated that the additional time will: (1) permit the petitioner to review data submitted by the GOI and the respondents; and (2) allow Commerce to request additional or clarifying information as necessary, as well as determine the extent to which countervailable subsidies have benefited the respondents.

In accordance with 19 CFR 351.205(e), the petitioner has stated the reasons for requesting a postponement of the preliminary determination, and Commerce finds no compelling reason to deny the request. Therefore, in accordance with section 703(c)(1)(A) of the Act, Commerce is postponing the deadline for the preliminary determination to no later than 130 days after the date on which this investigation was initiated, i.e., September 25, 2023.

Pursuant to section 705(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.

This notice is issued and published pursuant to section 703(c)(2) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.205(f)(1).

Lisa W. Wang, Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance.

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A–533–873

Certain Cold-Drawn Mechanical Tubing of Carbon and Alloy Steel From India: Preliminary Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review; 2021–2022

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

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of Commerce (Commerce) preliminarily determines that certain cold-drawn mechanical tubing of carbon and alloy steel (cold-drawn mechanical tubing) from India was sold in the United States at less than normal value (NV) during the period of review (POR) of June 1, 2021, through May 31, 2022.


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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On June 11, 2018, Commerce published the antidumping duty (AD) order on cold-drawn mechanical tubing from India. On August 9, 2022, in accordance with 19 CFR 351.221(c)(1)(i), Commerce initiated an administrative review of the Order, covering two producers/exporters, Goodluck India Limited (Goodluck) and Tube Investments of India Limited (collectively, TII).

Pursuant to section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act), on January 17, 2023, Commerce

1 See Certain Non-Refillable Steel Cylinders From India: Initiation of Countervailing Duty Investigation, 88 FR 33580 (May 24, 2023) (Initiation Notice).

2 See Certain Cold-Drawn Mechanical Tubing of Carbon and Alloy Steel from India: Notice of Second Amended Final Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value for the People’s Republic of China, the Republic of Korea, and Switzerland: Antidumping Duty Orders; and Amended Final Determinations of Sales at Less Than Fair Value for the People’s Republic of China and Switzerland, 83 FR 26962 (June 11, 2018); see also Certain Cold-Drawn Mechanical Tubing of Carbon and Alloy Steel from India: Notice of Second Amended Final Determination: Notice of Amended Order; Notice of Resumption of First and Reinitiation of Second Antidumping Duty Administrative Reviews; Notice of Opportunity for Withdrawal; and Notice of Assessment in Third Antidumping Duty Administrative Review, 86 FR 74069 (December 29, 2021) (collectively, Order).

determined that it was not practicable to complete the preliminary results of this review within 245 days and extended the deadline for the preliminary results of this review until June 30, 2023.³

For a detailed description of the events that followed the initiation of this review, see the Preliminary Decision Memorandum.⁴ The Preliminary Decision Memorandum is a public document and is available via Enforcement and Compliance’s Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Centralized Electronic Service System (ACCESS). ACCESS is available to registered users at https://access.trade.gov. In addition, a complete version of the Preliminary Decision Memorandum can be accessed at https://access.trade.gov/public/FRNoticesListLayout.aspx.

Scope of the Order

The merchandise covered by the Order is cold-drawn mechanical tubing from India. For a complete description of the scope of the Order, see the Preliminary Decision Memorandum.

Methodology

Commerce is conducting this administrative review in accordance with section 751(a) of the Act. For a full description of the methodology underlying these preliminary results, see the Preliminary Decision Memorandum. A list of topics discussed in the Preliminary Decision Memorandum is attached as an appendix to this notice.

Preliminary Results

We preliminarily determine the following weighted-average dumping margins for the period June 1, 2021, through May 31, 2022:

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<th>Exporter/producer</th>
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<td>Goodluck India Limited</td>
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<td>Tube Products of India, Ltd., a unit of Tube Investments of India Limited</td>
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Verification

On November 8, 2022, the petitioners, ArcelorMittal Tubular Products LLC, Michigan Seamless Tube, LLC, PTC Alliance Corp., Webco Industries, Inc., and Zekelman Industries, timely requested that Commerce conduct verification of Goodluck’s responses.⁵ Moreover, no verification was conducted during the two immediately preceding reviews of Goodluck. Therefore, Commerce intends to verify the information that Commerce relies upon for the final results with respect to Goodluck, as provided in section 782(j)(3) of the Act.

Disclosure and Public Comment

We intend to disclose the calculations performed for these preliminary results of review to interested parties with an Administrative Protective Order within five days of the date of publication of these preliminary results in accordance with 19 CFR 351.224(b).

Case briefs or other written comments may be submitted to Commerce. A timeline for the submission of case briefs and written comments will be provided to interested parties at a later date. Rebuttal briefs, limited to issues raised in the case briefs, may be filed no later than seven days after the date for filing case briefs.⁶ Parties who submit case briefs or rebuttal briefs in this proceeding are encouraged to submit with each argument: (1) a statement of the issue; (2) a brief summary of the argument; and (3) a table of authorities.⁷ Case and rebuttal briefs should be filed using ACCESS.⁸

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. Requests should contain: (1) the party’s name, address, and telephone number; (2) the number of participants; and (3) a list of issues parties intend to discuss. Issues raised in the hearing will be limited to those raised in the respective case and rebuttal briefs. If a request for a hearing is made, Commerce intends to hold a hearing at a time and date to be determined.⁹ Parties should confirm 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 Commerce’s electronic records system, ACCESS, by 5 p.m. Eastern Time on the date that the document is due. Commerce has modified certain of its requirements for serving documents containing business proprietary information until further notice.¹⁰

Commerce intends to issue the final results of this administrative review, including the results of its analysis of the issues raised in any case or rebuttal briefs, no later than 120 days after the date of publication of this notice, unless this deadline is extended.¹¹

Assessment Rates

Pursuant to section 751(a)(2)(A) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.212(b)(1), Commerce shall determine, and U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) shall assess, antidumping duties on all appropriate entries of subject merchandise covered by this review. Commerce intends to issue assessment instructions to CBP no earlier than 35 days after the date of publication of the final results of this administrative review in the Federal Register. If a timely summons is filed at the U.S. Court of International Trade, the assessment instructions will direct CBP not to liquidate relevant entries until the time for parties to file a request for a statutory injunction has expired (i.e., within 90 days of publication).

For an individually examined respondent whose weighted-average dumping margin is not zero or de minimis (i.e., less than 0.5 percent) in the final results of this review, Commerce intends to calculate an importer-specific assessment rate based on the ratio of the total amount of dumping calculated for each importer’s examined sales to the total entered value of those sales, in accordance with 19 CFR 351.212(b)(1). Where we do not have entered values for all U.S. sales to a particular importer/customer, we will calculate a per-unit assessment rate by aggregating the antidumping duties due for all U.S. sales to that importer (or customer) and dividing this amount by the total quantity sold to that importer.

⁴ See Memorandum, “Certain Cold-Drawn Mechanical Tubing of Carbon and Alloy Steel from India: Decision Memorandum for Preliminary Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review; 2021–2022,” dated concurrently with, and hereby adopted by, this notice (Preliminary Decision Memorandum).
⁶ See 19 CFR 351.309(d)(1) and (2); see also Temporary Rule Modifying AD/CVD Service Requirements Due to COVID–19, 85 FR 17006 (March 26, 2020) (“To provide adequate time for release of case briefs via ACCESS, E&C intends to schedule the due date for all rebuttal briefs to be 7 days after case briefs are filed (while these modifications remain in effect).”); and Temporary Rule Modifying AD/CVD Service Requirements Due to COVID–19: Extension of Effective Period, 85 FR 41363 (July 10, 2020) (Temporary Rule).
⁷ See 19 CFR 351.309(c)(2) and (d)(2).
⁸ See 19 CFR 351.303(f).
⁹ See 19 CFR 351.310(d).
¹⁰ See Temporary Rule.
¹¹ See section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act; and 19 CFR 351.213(b).
We intend to instruct CBP to assess antidumping duties on all appropriate entries covered by this review when the importer-specific assessment rate calculated in the final results of this review is above de minimis (i.e., 0.50 percent). To determine whether the duty assessment rates are de minimis, in accordance with the requirement set forth in 19 CFR 351.106(c)(2), we calculate importer- (or customer-) specific ad valorem ratios based on the estimated entered value. Where either a respondent’s weighted-average dumping margin is zero or de minimis, or an importer- (or customer-) specific ad valorem rate is zero or de minimis in the final results of review, we intend to instruct CBP to liquidate the appropriate entries without regard to antidumping duties.13

In accordance with Commerce’s “automatic assessment” practice, for entries of subject merchandise during the POR produced by the respondents for which they did not know that the merchandise was destined for the United States, we intend to instruct CBP to liquidate those entries at the all-others rate in the original less-than-fair-value (LTFV) investigation.14 If there is no rate for the intermediate value (LTFV) investigation, if there is another rate in the original less-than-fair-value (LTFV) investigation, or an importer- (or customer-) specific ad valorem rate is zero or de minimis, in accordance with 19 CFR 351.106(c)(2), we calculate importer- (or customer-) specific ad valorem ratios based on the estimated entered value. Where either a respondent’s weighted-average dumping margin is zero or de minimis, or an importer- (or customer-) specific ad valorem rate is zero or de minimis in the final results of review, we intend to instruct CBP to liquidate the appropriate entries without regard to antidumping duties.15

Cash Deposit Requirements

The following cash deposit requirements will be effective upon publication of the notice of final results of this administrative review for all shipments of the subject merchandise entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after the date of publication, as provided by section 751(a)(2)(C) of the Act: (1) the cash deposit rate for the companies listed above will be that established in the final results of this administrative review, except if the rate is less than 0.50 percent, and, therefore, de minimis within the meaning of 19 CFR 351.106(c)(1), in which case the cash deposit rate will be zero; (2) for companies not covered in this review, the cash deposit rate will continue to be the company-specific cash deposit rate published for the most recently completed segment of this proceeding in which the company participated; (3) if the exporter is not a firm covered in this review, a prior review, or the underlying investigation, but the producer is, then the cash deposit rate will be the rate established for the most recently completed segment of this proceeding for the producer of the merchandise; and (4) the cash deposit rate for all other producers or exporters will continue to be 5.87 percent, the all-others rate established in the LTFV investigation.16 These cash deposit requirements, when imposed, shall remain in effect until further notice.

Notification to Importers

This notice serves as a preliminary reminder to importers of their responsibility under 19 CFR 351.402(f)(2) to file a certificate regarding the reimbursement of antidumping and/or countervailing duties prior to liquidation of the relevant entries during this POR. Failure to comply with this requirement could result in Commerce’s presumption that reimbursement of antidumping and/or countervailing duties occurred and the subsequent assessment of doubled antidumping duties, and/or an increase in the amount of antidumping duties by the amount of the countervailing duties.

Notification to Interested Parties

We are issuing and publishing these preliminary results in accordance with sections 751(a)(1) and 777(i)(1) of the Act, and 19 CFR 351.221(b)(4).

Dated: June 29, 2023.

Lisa W. Wang,
Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance.

Appendix

List of Topics Discussed in the Preliminary Decision Memorandum

I. Summary
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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
International Trade Administration
Announcement of Approved International Trade Administration Trade Mission

AGENCY: International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

SUMMARY: The United States Department of Commerce, International Trade Administration (ITA), is announcing one upcoming trade mission that will be recruited, organized, and implemented by ITA. This mission is: Financial Technologies Business Development Mission to Singapore and Japan, with an optional stop in South Korea—November 13–20, 2023. A summary of the mission is found below. Application information and more detailed mission information, including the commercial setting and sector information, can be found at the trade mission website: https://www.trade.gov/trade-missions. For each mission, recruitment will be conducted in an open and public manner, including publication in the Federal Register, posting on the Commerce Department trade mission calendar (https://www.trade.gov/trade-missions-schedule) and other internet websites, press releases to general and trade media, direct mail, broadcast fax, notices by industry trade associations and other multiplier groups, and publicity at industry meetings, symposia, conferences, and trade shows.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:
The Following Conditions for Participation Will Be Used for the Mission

Applicants must submit a completed and signed mission application and supplemental application materials, including adequate information on their products and/or services, primary market objectives, and goals for participation that is adequate to allow the Department of Commerce to evaluate their application. If the Department of Commerce receives an incomplete application, the Department of Commerce may either: reject the application, request additional information/clarification, or take the lack of information into account when evaluating the application. If the