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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Bureau of Industry and Security

Materials and Equipment Technical Advisory Committee; Notice of Partially Closed Meeting

The Materials and Equipment Technical Advisory Committee will meet on May 30, 2024, 10:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m., Eastern Daylight Time, in the Herbert C. Hoover Building, Room 48019, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC (enter through Main Entrance on 14th Street between Constitution and Pennsylvania Avenues). The Committee advise and assist the Secretary of Commerce (Secretary) or, under authority delegated by the Secretary, the Under Secretary for Industry and Security, and other Federal officials and agencies with respect to actions designed to carry out the policy set forth in section 1752 of ECRA. The purpose of the meeting is to have Committee members and U.S. Government representatives mutually review updated technical data and policy-driving information that has been gathered.

Agenda

Open Session

1. Opening Remarks and Introduction by BIS Senior Management.
2. Report from working groups.

Closed Session

3. Discussion of matters determined to be exempt from the open meeting and public participation requirements found in sections 1009(a)(1) and 1009(a)(3) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) (5 U.S.C. 1001–1014). The exemption is authorized by section 1009(d) of the FACA, which permits the closure of advisory committee meetings, or portions thereof, if the head of the agency to which the advisory committee reports determines such meetings may be closed to the public in accordance with subsection (c) of the Government in the Sunshine Act (5 U.S.C. 552b(c)). In this case,

the applicable provisions of 5 U.S.C. 552b(c) are subsection 552b(c)(4), which permits closure to protect trade secrets and commercial or financial information that is privileged or confidential, and subsection 552b(c)(9)(B), which permits closure to protect information that would be likely to significantly frustrate implementation of a proposed agency action were it to be disclosed prematurely. The closed session of the meeting will involve committee discussions and guidance regarding U.S.

Government strategies and policies.

The open session will be accessible via teleconference. To join the conference, submit inquiries to Ms. Yvette Springer at Yvette.Springer@bis.doc.gov no later than May 23, 2024.

A limited number of seats will be available for the public session.

Reservations are not accepted.

To the extent that time permits, members of the public may present oral statements to the Committee. The public may submit written statements at any time before or after the meeting. However, to facilitate distribution of materials to the Committee members, the Committee suggests that members of the public forward their materials prior to the meeting to Ms. Springer via email.

The Deputy Assistant Secretary for Administration Performing the non-exclusive functions and duties of the Chief Financial Officer with the concurrence of the delegate of the General Counsel, formally determined on May 6, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 1009(d), that the portion of the meeting dealing with pre-decisional changes to the Commerce Control List and the U.S. export control policies shall be exempt from the provisions relating to public meetings found in 5 U.S.C. 1009(a)(1) and 1009(a)(3). The remaining portions of the meeting will be open to the public.

For more information, contact Ms. Springer via email.

Yvette Springer,
Committee Liaison Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Bureau of Industry and Security

Transportation and Related Equipment Technical Advisory Committee; Notice of Partially Closed Meeting

The Transportation and Related Equipment Technical Advisory

Committee will meet on May 29, 2024, 9:30 a.m.–3:00 p.m., Eastern Daylight Time, in the Herbert C. Hoover Building, Room 3884, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC (enter through Main Entrance on 14th Street between Constitution and Pennsylvania Avenues). The Committee advise and assist the Secretary of Commerce (Secretary) or, under authority delegated by the Secretary, the Under Secretary for Industry and Security, and other Federal officials and agencies with respect to actions designed to carry out the policy set forth in section 1752 of ECRA. The purpose of the meeting is to have Committee members and U.S.

Government representatives mutually review updated technical data and policy-driving information that has been gathered.

Agenda

Public Session

1. Welcome and Introductions.
2. Status reports by working group chairs.
3. Public comments and Proposals.

Closed Session

4. Discussion of matters determined to be exempt from the open meeting and public participation requirements found in sections 1009(a)(1) and 1009(a)(3) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) (5 U.S.C. 1001–1014). The exemption is authorized by Section 1009(d) of the FACA, which permits the closure of advisory committee meetings, or portions thereof, if the head of the agency to which the advisory committee reports determines such meetings may be closed to the public in accordance with subsection (c) of the Government in the Sunshine Act (5 U.S.C. 552b(c)). In this case, the applicable provisions of 5 U.S.C. 552b(c) are subsection 552b(c)(4), which permits closure to protect trade secrets and commercial or financial information that is privileged or confidential, and subsection 552b(c)(9)(B), which permits closure to protect information that would be likely to significantly frustrate implementation of a proposed agency action were it to be disclosed prematurely. The closed session of the meeting will involve committee discussions and guidance regarding U.S.

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For more information, contact Ms. Springer via email.

Yvette Springer,
Committee Liaison Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

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Monosodium Glutamate From the People's Republic of China: Initiation of Circumvention Inquiry on the Antidumping Duty Order

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

SUMMARY: In response to a request from Ajinomoto Health & Nutrition North America, Inc. (AHN, a domestic interested party), the U.S. Department of Commerce (Commerce) is initiating a country-wide circumvention inquiry to determine whether imports of monosodium glutamate (MSG) from Malaysia are circumventing the antidumping duty (AD) order on MSG from the People's Republic of China (China).

DATES: Applicable May 15, 2024.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jacob Saude, AD/CVD Operations,

Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482-0981.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On March 25, 2024, pursuant to section 781(b) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act), and 19 CFR 351.226(c), AHN filed a circumvention inquiry request alleging that MSG finished in Malaysia using glutamic acid produced in China, and subsequently exported from Malaysia to the United States is circumventing the AD order on MSG from China¹ and, accordingly, should be included within the scope of the *Order*.² On April 24, 2024, we extended the deadline to initiate this circumvention inquiry in accordance with 19 CFR 351.226(d)(1).³

Scope of the Order

The product covered by this *Order* is MSG, whether or not blended or in solution with other products. Merchandise covered by the scope of this *Order* is currently classified in the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS) at subheading 2922.42.1000. Merchandise subject to the *Order* may also enter under HTSUS subheadings 2922.42.5000, 2103.90.7200, 2103.90.7400, 2103.90.7800, 2103.90.8000, and 2103.90.9091. The HTSUS subheadings are provided for convenience and customs purposes; however, the written description of the scope is dispositive. For a full description of the scope of the *Order*, see the Initiation Checklist.⁴

Merchandise Subject to the Circumvention Inquiry

The circumvention inquiry covers MSG finished in Malaysia using glutamic acid produced in China and subsequently exported from Malaysia to the United States.

Initiation of Circumvention Inquiry

Section 351.226(d) of Commerce's regulations states that if Commerce

¹ See *Monosodium Glutamate from the People's Republic of China: Second Amended Final Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value and Amended Antidumping Order*, 80 FR 487 (January 6, 2015) (*Order*).

² See AHN's Letter, "MSG from China: Circumvention Inquiry Request," dated March 25, 2024 (Circumvention Inquiry Request).

³ See Memorandum, "Extension of Time to Determine Whether to Initiate Circumvention Inquiry," dated April 24, 2024.

⁴ See Checklist, "Malaysia Assembly Circumvention Initiation Checklist," dated concurrently with, and hereby adopted by, this notice (Initiation Checklist).

determines that a request for a circumvention inquiry satisfies the requirements of 19 CFR 351.226(c), then Commerce "will accept the request and initiate a circumvention inquiry." Section 351.226(c)(1) of Commerce's regulations, in turn, requires that each request for a circumvention inquiry allege "that the elements necessary for a circumvention determination under section 781 of the Act exist" and be "accompanied by information reasonably available to the interested party supporting these allegations." AHN allege circumvention pursuant to section 781(b) of the Act (merchandise completed or assembled in other foreign countries).

Section 781(b)(1) of the Act provides that Commerce may find circumvention of an order when merchandise of the same class or kind subject to the order is completed or assembled in a foreign country other than the country to which the order applies. In conducting a circumvention inquiry, under section 781(b)(1) of the Act, Commerce relies on the following criteria: (A) merchandise imported into the United States is of the same class or kind as any merchandise produced in a foreign country that is the subject of an AD or countervailing duty (CVD) order; (B) before importation into the United States, such imported merchandise is completed or assembled in another foreign country from merchandise which is subject to the order or is produced in the foreign country that is subject to the order; (C) the process of assembly or completion in the foreign country referred to in section (B) is minor or insignificant; (D) the value of the merchandise produced in the foreign country to which the AD or CVD order applies is a significant portion of the total value of the merchandise exported to the United States; and (E) the administering authority determines that action is appropriate to prevent evasion of such order.

In determining whether the process of assembly or completion in a foreign country is minor or insignificant under section 781(b)(1)(C) of the Act, section 781(b)(2) of the Act directs Commerce to consider: (A) the level of investment in the foreign country; (B) the level of research and development in the foreign country; (C) the nature of the production process in the foreign country; (D) the extent of production facilities in the foreign country; and (E) whether or not the value of processing performed in the foreign country represents a small proportion of the value of the merchandise imported into the United States. However, no single factor, by itself, controls Commerce's