

(calcium monofluoride, CaF) for various quantum applications. The interest is in quantum simulation of lattice-spin models using CaF molecules trapped in an optical tweezer array. To load CaF molecules into an optical tweezer array, they must be first laser slowed and laser cooled to very low temperature and high density. The laser cooling transition used here is one of the only two desired strong electronic transitions in CaF molecules that possesses a diagonal Frank-Condon factor which supports scattering many photons with reasonable number of repump lasers. This laser system will be used to perform the above work in a research laboratory in the Department of Physics at Harvard University. The research work enabled by this system is part of the training of graduate students, undergraduate students, and postdoctoral research fellows. Justification for Duty-Free Entry: According to the applicant, there are no instruments of the same general category manufactured in the United States. Application accepted by Commissioner of Customs: June 4, 2024.

*Docket Number:* 24–019. Applicant: Harvard University, Department of Physics, 60 Oxford Street, Cambridge, MA 02138. Instrument: Fiber Laser. Manufacturer: SHANGHAI PRECILASERS TECHNOLOGY CO., LTD., China. Intended Use: According to the applicant, the instrument is intended to be used for Ytterbium (Yb) atom's dipolar interaction. When Yb atoms excite their Rydberg states, there will be a strong dipolar interaction between the atoms. This interaction is also long-range. The main techniques used will be (a) ultra-high vacuum techniques and (b) laser stabilization techniques. The instrument will be used to educate undergraduate and graduate students. Justification for Duty-Free Entry: According to the applicant, there are no instruments of the same general category manufactured in the United States. Application accepted by Commissioner of Customs: June 12, 2024.

Dated: July 22, 2024.

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**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

**International Trade Administration**

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**Disposable Aluminum Containers, Pans, Trays, and Lids From the People's Republic of China: Postponement of Preliminary Determination in the Countervailing Duty Investigation**

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

**DATES:** Applicable July 25, 2024.

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Background**

On June 5, 2024, the U.S. Department of Commerce (Commerce) initiated a countervailing duty (CVD) investigation of imports of disposable aluminum containers, pans, trays, and lids (disposable aluminum containers) from the People's Republic of China (China).<sup>1</sup> Currently, the preliminary determination is due no later than August 9, 2024.

**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 countervailing duty 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<sup>2</sup> 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

<sup>1</sup> See *Disposable Aluminum Containers, Pans, Trays, and Lids from the People's Republic of China: Initiation of Countervailing Duty Investigation*, 89 FR 49833 (June 12, 2024) (*Initiation Notice*).

<sup>2</sup> The petitioner is the Aluminum Foil Container Manufacturers Association.

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 July 15, 2024, the petitioner submitted a timely request that Commerce postpone the preliminary CVD determination.<sup>3</sup> The petitioner stated that it requests postponement “to permit the agency to review the initial questionnaire response and to issue supplemental questionnaires to the respondents and the {Government of China} to clarify responses and to determine accurately the extent to which countervailable subsidies have benefitted the respondents during the period of investigation.”<sup>4</sup>

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 determinations to no later than 130 days after the date on which this investigation was initiated, *i.e.*, October 15, 2024.<sup>5</sup> 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).

Dated: July 18, 2024.

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<sup>3</sup> See Petitioner's Letter, “Petitioners' Request for Postponement of Preliminary Determination,” dated July 15, 2024.

<sup>4</sup> *Id.*

<sup>5</sup> Postponing the preliminary determination to 130 days after initiation would place the deadline on Sunday, October 13, 2024. Commerce's practice dictates that where a deadline falls on a weekend or federal holiday, the appropriate deadline is the next business day. See *Notice of Clarification: Application of “Next Business Day” Rule for Administrative Determination Deadlines Pursuant to the Tariff Act of 1930, As Amended*, 70 FR 24533 (May 10, 2005).