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**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

**Foreign-Trade Zones Board**

[Order No. 2170]

**Activation Limit Increase Under Alternative Site Framework; Foreign-Trade Zone 84; Houston, Texas**

Pursuant to its authority under the Foreign-Trade Zones Act of June 18, 1934, as amended (19 U.S.C. 81a–81u), the Foreign-Trade Zones Board (the Board) adopts the following Order:

*Whereas*, the Foreign-Trade Zones (FTZ) Act provides for “. . . the establishment . . . of foreign-trade zones in ports of entry of the United States, to expedite and encourage foreign commerce, and for other purposes,” and authorizes the Board to grant to qualified corporations the privilege of establishing foreign-trade zones in or adjacent to U.S. Customs and Border Protection ports of entry;

*Whereas*, the Board adopted the alternative site framework (ASF) (15 CFR 400.2(c)) as an option for the establishment or reorganization of zones;

*Whereas*, the Port of Houston Authority, grantee of Foreign-Trade Zone 84, submitted an application to the Board (FTZ Docket B–36–2024, docketed June 26, 2024) for authority to increase the activation limit of the zone under the ASF to 3,000 acres;

*Whereas*, the application has been processed pursuant to the FTZ Act and the Board’s regulations; and,

*Whereas*, the Board adopts the findings and recommendations of the examiner’s report, and finds that the requirements of the FTZ Act and the Board’s regulations are satisfied;

*Now, therefore*, the Board hereby orders:

The application to increase the activation limit of the zone under the ASF to 3,000 acres is approved, subject to the FTZ Act and the Board’s regulations, including section 400.13.

Dated: October 23, 2024.

**Dawn Shackelford,**

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**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

**International Trade Administration**

[C–570–171]

**Disposable Aluminum Containers, Pans, Trays, and Lids From the People’s Republic of China: Preliminary Affirmative Countervailing Duty Determination, Preliminary Affirmative Determination of Critical Circumstances, and Alignment of Final Determination With Final Antidumping Duty Determination**

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

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Department of Commerce (Commerce) preliminarily determines that countervailable subsidies are being provided to producers and exporters of disposable aluminum containers, pans, trays, and lids (disposable aluminum containers) from the People’s Republic of China (China). The period of investigation (POI) is January 1, 2023, through December 31, 2023. Interested parties are invited to comment on this preliminary determination.

**DATES:** Applicable October 28, 2024.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Brian Warnes, 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) 482–0028.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Background**

This preliminary determination is made in accordance with section 703(b) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act). Commerce published the notice of initiation of this countervailing duty (CVD) investigation on June 12, 2024.<sup>1</sup> On July 25, 2024, Commerce postponed the deadline for the preliminary determination until October 15, 2024, in accordance with section

<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*).

703(c)(1)(A) of the Act.<sup>2</sup> On July 26, 2024, Commerce further tolled all deadlines in this proceeding by seven days.<sup>3</sup> The deadline for the preliminary determination is now October 21, 2024.

For a complete description of events that followed the initiation of this investigation, see the Preliminary Decision Memorandum.<sup>4</sup> A list of topics discussed in the Preliminary Decision Memorandum is included as Appendix II to this notice. The Preliminary Decision Memorandum is a public document and is on file electronically 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 directly at <https://access.trade.gov/public/FRNoticesListLayout.aspx>.

**Scope of the Investigation**

The products covered by this investigation are disposable aluminum containers from China. For a complete description of the scope of this investigation, see Appendix I.

**Scope Comments**

In accordance with the *Preamble* to Commerce’s regulations,<sup>5</sup> the *Initiation Notice* set aside a period of time for parties to raise issues regarding product coverage (*i.e.*, scope).<sup>6</sup> No interested party commented on the scope of the investigation as it appeared in the *Initiation Notice*.

**Methodology**

Commerce is conducting this investigation in accordance with section 701 of the Act. For each of the subsidy programs found to be countervailable, Commerce preliminarily determines that there is a subsidy, *i.e.*, a financial contribution by an “authority” that gives rise to a benefit to the recipient,

<sup>2</sup> See *Disposable Aluminum Containers, Pans, Trays, and Lids from the People’s Republic of China: Postponement of Preliminary Determination in the Countervailing Duty Investigation*, 89 FR 60355 (July 25, 2024).

<sup>3</sup> See Memorandum, “Tolling of Deadlines for Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Proceedings,” dated July 25, 2024.

<sup>4</sup> See Memorandum, “Decision Memorandum for the Preliminary Affirmative Determination of the Countervailing Duty Investigation of Disposable Aluminum Containers, Pans, Trays, and Lids from the People’s Republic of China,” dated concurrently with, and hereby adopted by, this notice (Preliminary Decision Memorandum).

<sup>5</sup> See *Antidumping Duties; Countervailing Duties, Final Rule*, 62 FR 27296, 27323 (May 19, 1997) (*Preamble*).

<sup>6</sup> See *Initiation Notice*, 89 FR at 49834.