

Chloride From the People's Republic of China: Extension of Time Limit for Preliminary Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review 67 FR 45088 (July 3, 2002).

Extension of Time Limit for Preliminary Results of Review

We determine that it is not practicable to complete the preliminary results of this review within the current time limit. Therefore, the Department is extending the time limit for completion of the preliminary results until no later than October 31, 2002. See Decision Memorandum from Holly A. Kuga to Bernard T. Carreau, dated concurrently with this notice, which is on file in the Central Records Unit, Room B-099 of the Department's main building. We intend to issue the final results no later than 120 days after the publication of the preliminary results notice.

This extension is in accordance with section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act.

Dated: August 2, 2002.

Bernard T. Carreau,

Deputy Assistant Secretary for Import Administration, Group II.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[A-823-812]

Antidumping Duty Investigation of Carbon and Certain Alloy Steel Wire Rod From Ukraine.

AGENCY: Import Administration, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice to defer a decision regarding Ukraine's non-market economy status.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce is deferring its decision regarding Ukraine's non-market economy status beyond the instant investigation's final determination date of August 23, 2002, as provided in section 771(18)(C)(ii) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended.

DATE: August 8, 2002.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

George Smolik, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482-1843.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

The Applicable Statute

All citations to the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended ("the Act"), are references

to the provisions effective January 1, 1995, the effective date of the amendments made to the Act by the Uruguay Round Agreements Act.

Background

The Government of Ukraine and Krivorozhstal, the sole respondent in the instant proceeding, have requested revocation of Ukraine's non-market economy ("NME") status. In response to the request, the Department has invited and received public comments and rebuttal comments regarding Ukrainian economic reforms. See 67 FR 19394 (April 19, 2002). In addition, the Department has compiled and analyzed information regarding Ukrainian economic reforms from independent third-party sources that we commonly cite for our decisions in this area.

Decision Deferral

The Department has developed a great deal of information regarding Ukraine's economic reforms. The information raises a broad range of issues that require additional time to evaluate before the Department makes a decision on this matter. The Department is therefore deferring its decision regarding Ukraine's non-market economy status beyond the instant investigation's final determination date of August 23, 2002. Since a country's NME status remains in effect until revoked, Ukraine will continue to be treated as a NME country for purpose of the instant final determination (see section 771(18)(C)(i) of the Act).

August 5, 2002.

Faryar Shirzad,

Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[A-570-878]

Initiation of Antidumping Duty Investigation: Saccharin from the People's Republic of China

AGENCY: Import Administration, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

EFFECTIVE DATE: August 8, 2002.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Initiation Of Investigation

The Applicable Statute and Regulations

Unless otherwise indicated, all citations to the statute are references to the Tariff Act of 1930 ("Act"), as amended. In addition, unless otherwise indicated, all citations to the Department of Commerce's ("Department") regulations are to 19 CFR Part 351 (2002).

The Petition

On July 11, 2002, the Department received a petition on imports of saccharin from the People's Republic of China ("PRC") filed in proper form by PMC Specialities Group, Inc., hereinafter referred to as "the Petitioner." On July 23, 2002, the Department requested clarification of certain areas of the petition and received a response on July 26, 2002.

In accordance with section 732(b) of the Act, the Petitioner alleges that imports of saccharin from the PRC are being, or are likely to be, sold in the United States at less than fair value within the meaning of section 731 of the Act, and that such imports are materially injuring, and threatening material injury to, an industry in the United States.

The Petitioner is a saccharin producer and accounts for over fifty percent of domestic production of saccharin, as defined in the petition. Therefore, the Department finds that the Petitioner has standing to file the petition because it is an interested party as defined under section 771(9)(C) of the Act, with respect to the merchandise subject to this investigation. The Petitioner has demonstrated sufficient industry support with respect to the antidumping duty investigation, which it is requesting the Department to initiate (see "Determination of Industry Support for the Petition" below).

Scope of Investigation

The product covered by this investigation is saccharin. Saccharin is a non-nutritive sweetener used in beverages and foods, personal care products such as toothpaste, table top sweeteners, and animal feeds. It is also used in metalworking fluids. There are four primary chemical compositions of saccharin: (1) sodium saccharin (American Chemical Society Chemical Abstract Service ("CAS") Registry 1128-44-9); (2) calcium saccharin (CAS Registry 16485-34-3); (3) acid (or insoluble) saccharin (CAS Registry 181-