

Materials specifications, most notably A-53, A-120, or A-135. Standard pipe is currently classified under Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS) item numbers 7306.30.5025, 7306.30.5032, 7306.30.5040, and 7306.30.5055. Although the HTSUS subheading is provided for convenience and customs purposes, the written description of the merchandise under investigation is dispositive.

Analysis of Comments Received

We invited interested parties to comment on the preliminary results of this administrative review. As noted above, we received timely comments from Yieh Hsing, and rebuttal comments from the petitioner.

Comment 1: Yieh Hsing asserts that other discounts are understated by a factor of 1000 in its home market sales listing. Yieh Hsing contends that the Department should correct this error in the final results of review. This error was not disputed by the petitioners.

Department's Position: We agree. During our verification of Yieh Hsing, we verified that other discounts were understated by a factor of 1000. (See January 29, 1997 verification report of Yieh Hsing, at page 10.) We have amended our calculations to reflect the correct amount for this expense.

Comment 2: Yieh Hsing contends that in calculating its dumping margin, the Department improperly compared U.S. prices to a 'six-month window period' surrounding each U.S. sale. Yieh Hsing asserts that the Department should follow its normal practice, and compare individual U.S. sales to normal values corresponding to the month of the U.S. sale.

Petitioners contend that normal values have not been averaged across a six month period, and that the Department correctly matched U.S. prices to normal values for the corresponding month.

Department's Position: We have reviewed our preliminary calculations and determined that we improperly compared U.S. sales to a weighted-average six-month period in our preliminary results. In these final results, we have amended our calculations, and based our calculations of normal value to the month corresponding to the U.S. sale.

Final Results of Review

As a result of this review, we preliminarily determine that a margin of 0.37 percent exists for Yieh Hsing for the period of June 1, 1995 through May 31, 1996.

The U.S. Customs Service shall assess antidumping duties on all appropriate entries. Individual differences between U.S. price and normal value may vary from the percentages stated above. The Department will issue appraisement instructions directly to the U.S. Customs Service.

Furthermore, the following deposit requirements will be effective for all shipments of certain circular welded carbon steel pipes and tubes from Taiwan entered or withdrawn from the warehouse, for consumption on or after the publication date of the final results of these administrative reviews, as provided by section 751(a)(1) of the Act: (1) No cash deposit shall be required for Yieh Hsing because its weighted average margin is less than 0.5 percent and therefore *de minimis*, (2) for merchandise exported by manufacturers or exporters not covered in this review but covered in the original less-than-fair-value (LTFV) investigation or a previous review, the cash deposit will continue to be the most recent rate published in the final determination or final results for which the manufacturer or exporter received a company-specific rate; (3) if the exporter is not a firm covered in this review or the original investigation, but the manufacturer is, the cash deposit rate will be that established for the manufacturer of the merchandise in the final results of these reviews or the LTFV investigation; and (4) if neither the exporter nor the manufacturer is a firm covered in this or any previous reviews or the original fair value investigation, the cash deposit rate will be 9.7%, the "all others" rate established in the LTFV investigation.

This notice also serves as a reminder to importers of their responsibility under 19 CFR 353.26(b) to file a certificate regarding the reimbursement of antidumping duties prior to liquidation of the relevant entries during these review periods. Failure to comply with this requirement could result in the Secretary's presumption that reimbursement of antidumping duties occurred and the subsequent assessment of double antidumping duties.

This notice also serves as a reminder to parties subject to administrative protective orders (APOs) of their responsibility concerning the disposition of proprietary information disclosed under APO in accordance with 19 CFR 353.34(d). Timely written notification of the return/destruction of APO materials or conversion to judicial protective order is hereby requested. Failure to comply with the regulations and terms of an APO is a violation which is subject to sanction.

This administrative review and notice are in accordance with section 751(a)(1) of the Act (19 U.S.C. 1675(a)(1)) and 19 CFR 353.22.

Dated: October 3, 1997.

Robert S. LaRussa,
Assistant Secretary for Import
Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

District Export Councils

AGENCY: Commercial Service, Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of opportunity to serve as a member of one of the fifty-one district export councils.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of Commerce is currently seeking expressions of interest from individuals in serving as a member of one of the fifty-one District Export Councils (DECs) nationwide. The DECs are closely affiliated with the Export Assistance Centers (EACs) of the Commercial Service. DECs combine the energies of over 1,500 exporters and private and public export service providers who volunteer their time to supply specialized expertise to small and medium-sized businesses in their local communities who are interested in exporting. DEC members volunteer at their own expense.

Providing their expertise and mentoring services, DEC members help local firms move from their first international business plan to their first export sale. The DECs create seminars that simplify trade finance, host international buyer delegations, design breakthrough exporting guides, put exporters on the Internet, and help build local partnerships that strengthen export assistance programs. Because DEC members represent both the users and providers of local export assistance services, they can identify gaps in the export services that EACs provide to U.S. businesses and thus shape EAC international trade programs to better meet local business needs.

Selection Process

About half of the approximately 30 positions on each of the 51 DECs will be open for nominations for the term that begins January 1, 1998, and ends December 31, 2001. Nominees are recommended by the local DEC Executive Secretary in consultation with the DEC and with other local export

promotion partners. After undergoing a review process, DEC nominees are then selected and appointed to DEC membership by the Secretary of Commerce.

Membership Criteria

Each DEC is interested in nominating highly-motivated people active in the local exporting community.

Membership composition on the DEC's include: exporters (such as representatives from manufacturing, the services industry, and export trading companies); bankers; U.S. Small Business Administration representatives; state and local officials; and other "partners" including international lawyers and accountants as well as representatives from world trade centers, chambers of commerce, export management companies, labor and freight forwarders.

Deadline

Applications for nomination to a DEC must be received by the designated local DEC representative by November 1, 1997.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Nathanael Herman, International Trade Specialist, the Commercial Service, tel. 202-482-5956. Additional information about the DEC's is also found on the National DEC Internet Home Page at <http://www.ita.doc.gov/usfcs/usf/dec>.

Authority: 15 U.S.C. 1501 *et seq.*, 15 U.S.C. 4721.

Dated: September 29, 1997.

Daniel J. McLaughlin,

Deputy Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Domestic Operations.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[C-351-406]

Certain Agricultural Tillage Tool From Brazil; Final Results of Countervailing Duty Administrative Review

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

ACTION: Notice of final results of countervailing duty administrative review.

SUMMARY: On July 9, 1997, the Department of Commerce ("the Department") published in the **Federal Register** its preliminary results of administrative review of the countervailing duty order on certain agricultural tillage tools from Brazil for

the period January 1, 1995 through December 31, 1995 (62 FR 36771). The Department has now completed this administrative review in accordance with section 751(a) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended. For information on the net subsidy for the reviewed company, and for all non-reviewed companies, please see the *Final Results of Review* section of this notice.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 10, 1997.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Lorenza Olivas or Gayle Longest, Office of CVD/AD Enforcement VI, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20230; telephone: (202) 482-2786.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

Pursuant to 19 CFR 355.22(a), this review covers only those producers or exporters of the subject merchandise for which a review was specifically requested. Accordingly, this review covers the producer/exporter of the subject merchandise Marchesan Implementos Agrícolas, S.A. (Marchesan). This review covers the period January 1, 1995 through December 31, 1995, and five programs.

We published the preliminary results of review on July 9, 1997 (62 FR 36771) and invited interested parties to comment. We received no comments on our preliminary results.

Applicable Statute

Unless otherwise indicated, all citations to the statute are references to the provisions of the Tariff Act of 1930 ("the Act"), as amended by the Uruguay Round Agreements Act ("URAA"), effective January 1, 1995. In addition, all references to the Department's regulations are to the provisions codified at 19 CFR Part 355 (April 1997). The Department is conducting this administrative review in accordance with § 751(a) of the Act.

Scope of the Review

Imports covered by this review are shipments of certain round shaped agricultural tillage tools (discs) with plain or notched edge, such as colters and furrow-opener blades. During the review period, such merchandise was classifiable under item numbers 8432.21.00, 8432.29.00, 8432.80.00 and 8432.90.00 of the *Harmonized Tariff Schedule* (HTS). The HTS item numbers are provided for convenience and Customs purposes. The written description remains dispositive.

Analysis of Programs

Programs Found To Be Not Used

In the preliminary results we found that the producers and/or exporters of the subject merchandise did not apply for or receive benefits under the following programs:

1. Accelerated Depreciation for Brazilian-Made Capital Goods
2. Preferential Financing for Industrial Enterprises by Banco do Brasil (FST and EGF loans)
3. SUDENE Corporate Income Tax Reduction for Companies Located in the Northeast of Brazil
4. Preferential Financing under PROEX (formerly under Resolution 68 and 509 through FINEX)
5. Preferential Financing under FINEP

We did not receive any comments on these programs from the interested parties, and our review of the record has not led us to change our findings from the preliminary results.

Final Results of Review

In accordance with 19 C.F.R. 355.22(c)(4)(ii), we calculated an individual subsidy rate for the only producer/exporter subject to this administrative review. For the period January 1, 1995 through December 31, 1995, we determine the net subsidy for Marchesan to be zero percent *ad valorem*.

The Department will instruct the U.S. Customs Service (Customs) to liquidate, without regard to countervailing duties, shipments of the subject merchandise from Marchesan exported on or after January 1, 1995, and on or before December 31, 1995. The Department will also instruct Customs to collect a cash deposit of estimated countervailing duties of zero percent on all shipments of this merchandise from Marchesan, entered or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after the date of publication of the final results of this administrative review.

Because the URAA replaced the general rule in favor of a country-wide rate with a general rule in favor of individual rates for investigated and reviewed companies, the procedures for establishing countervailing duty rates, including those for non-reviewed companies, are now essentially the same as those in antidumping cases, except as provided for in section 777A(e)(2)(B) of the Act. The requested review will normally cover only those companies specifically named. Pursuant to 19 CFR § 355.22(g), for all companies for which a review was not requested, duties must be assessed at the cash deposit rate, and cash deposits must continue to be collected, at the rate previously ordered.