final results of the next administrative review.

Notification of Interested Parties

This notice also serves as a preliminary reminder to importers of their responsibility under 19 CFR 351.402(f) to file a certificate regarding the reimbursement of antidumping duties prior to liquidation of the relevant entries during this review period. 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 determination is issued and published in accordance with sections 751(a)(1) and 777(i)(1) of the Act.

Dated: July 30, 1999.

Joseph A. Spetrini,

Acting Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[A-427-001]

Continuation of Antidumping Duty Order: Sorbitol From France

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

ACTION: Notice of continuation of antidumping duty order: Sorbitol from France.

SUMMARY: On February 4, 1999, the Department of Commerce ("the Department"), pursuant to sections 751(c) and 752 of the Tariff Act from 1930, as amended ("the Act"), determined that revocation of the antidumping duty order on sorbitol from France would be likely to lead to continuation or recurrence of dumping (64 FR 5636 (February 4, 1999)). On March 10, 1999, the International Trade Commission ("the Commission"), pursuant to section 751(c) of the Act, determined that revocation of the antidumping duty order on sorbitol from France would be likely to lead to continuation or recurrence of material injury to an industry in the United States within a reasonably foreseeable time (64 FR 11948 (March 10, 1999)) Therefore, pursuant to 19 CFR 351.218(f)(4), the Department is publishing notice of the continuation of the antidumping duty order on sorbitol from France.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Scott E. Smith or Melissa G. Skinner, Office of Policy for Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of

Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th and Constitution Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482–6397 or (202) 482–1560, respectively.

Effective Date: March 17, 1999.

Background

On October 1, 1998, the Department initiated, and the Commission instituted, a sunset review (63 FR 52683 and 63 FR 52757, respectively) of the antidumping duty order on sorbitol from France pursuant to section 751(c) of the Act. As a result of this review, the Department found that revocation of the antidumping duty order would likely lead to continuation or recurrence of dumping and notified the Commission of the magnitude of the margin likely to prevail were the order to be revoked (see Final Results of Expedited Sunset Review: Sorbitol from France, 64 FR 5636 (February 4, 1999)).

On March 10, 1999, the Commission determined, pursuant to section 751(c) of the Act, that revocation of the antidumping duty order on sorbitol from France would be likely to lead to continuation or recurrence of material injury to an industry in the United States within a reasonably foreseeable time (see Sorbitol from France, (64 FR 11948 (March 10, 1999) and USITC Pub. 3165, Inv. No. 731–TA–44 (Review) (March 1999)).

Scope

The merchandise covered by this antidumping duty order is crystalline sorbitol from France, a polyol produced by the hydrogenation of sugars (glucose), used in the production of sugarless gum, candy, groceries, and pharmaceuticals and currently classifiable under HTS item number 2905.44.00. The HTS item number is provided for convenience and customs purposes. The written description remains dispositive.

Determination

As a result of the determinations by the Department and the Commission that revocation of this antidumping duty order would be likely to lead to continuation or recurrence of dumping and material injury to an industry in the United States, pursuant to section 751(d)(2) of the Act, the Department hereby orders the continuation of the antidumping duty order on sorbitol from France. The Department will instruct the U.S. Customs Service to continue to collect antidumping duty

deposits at the rate in effect at the time of entry for all imports of subject merchandise. Pursuant to section 751(c)(6)(A)(iii) of the Act, any subsequent five-year review of this order will be initiated not later than the fifth anniversary of the effective date of continuation of this order.

Normally, the effective date of continuation of a finding, order, or suspension agreement will be the date of publication in the **Federal Register** of the Notice of Continuation. As provided in 19 CFR 351.218(f)(4), the Department normally will issue its determination to continue a finding, order, or suspended investigation not later than seven days after the date of publication in the Federal Register of the Commission's determination concluding the sunset review and immediately thereafter will publish its notice of continuation in the Federal Register. In the instant case, however, the Department's publication of the Notice of Continuation was delayed. The Department has explicitly indicated that the effective date of continuation of this order is March 17. 1999, seven days after the date of publication in the Federal Register of the Commission's determination. As a result, pursuant to sections 751(c)(2) and 751(c)(6)(A) of the Act, the Department intends to initiate the next five-year review of this order not later than February 2004.

Dated: August 2, 1999.

Joseph Spetrini,

Acting Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration [A-588-833]

Stainless Steel Bar From Japan: Initiation and Preliminary Results of Changed-Circumstances Antidumping Duty Administrative Review, and Intent To Revoke Order in Part

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

ACTION: Notice of initiation and preliminary results of changed-circumstances antidumping duty administrative review, and intent to revoke order in part.

SUMMARY: In response to a request by Tohoku Steel Co., Ltd. (Tohoku), the Department of Commerce (the Department) is initiating a changed-circumstances antidumping duty

administrative review and issuing an intent to revoke in part the antidumping duty order on stainless steel bar from Japan. Tohoku requested that the Department revoke the order in part with regard to imports of K-M35FL steel bar. Based on the fact that Al Tech Specialty Steel Corp., Dunkirk, NY, Carpenter Technology Corp., Reading, PA, Republic Engineered Steels, Inc., Massillon, OH, Slater Steels Corp., Fort Wayne, IN, Talley Metals Technology, Inc., Hartsville, SC, and the United Steel Workers of America, AFL-CIO/CLC, collectively petitioners in the less-thanfair-value (LTFV) investigation and also in this review, support Tohoku's request for a changed-circumstances review and revocation in part of the order with regard to K-M35FL steel bar, we are initiating this review and we preliminarily determine to revoke the order in part with regard to this merchandise.

EFFECTIVE DATE: August 6, 1999.
FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Minoo Hatten or Robin Gray, Office of AD/CVD Enforcement, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230; telephone (202) 482–1690 or (202) 482–4023, respectively.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On June 17, 1999, Tohoku requested that the Department conduct a changedcircumstances administrative review to determine whether to revoke the antidumping duty order in part with regard to K-M35FL steel bar, which is currently covered by the scope of the order. Tohoku stated that the leaded steel product in question is not produced in commercial quantities in the United States. With its June 17, 1999 submission, Tohoku included a letter from the petitioners agreeing to Tohoku's request to have K-M35FL steel bar excluded from the scope of the antidumping duty order on stainless steel bar from Japan. As the parties to this proceeding agree on the outcome of the review, Tohoku requests that the Department issue its determination with respect to the changed-circumstances review in an expedited fashion pursuant to 19 CFR 351.216(e).

The Applicable Statute

Unless otherwise indicated, all citations to the statute are references to the provisions effective January 1, 1995, the effective date of the amendments made to the Tariff Act of 1930 (the Act) by the Uruguay Round Agreements Act

(URAA). In addition, unless otherwise indicated, all citations to the Department's regulations are to 19 CFR part 351 (1998).

Scope of Review

The products covered by this changed-circumstances review are imports of K–M35FL steel bar manufactured by Tohoku and exported from Japan.

The scope of the order covers stainless steel bar (SSB). For purposes of this review, the term SSB means articles of stainless steel in straight lengths that have been either hot-rolled, forged, turned, cold-drawn, cold-rolled or otherwise cold-finished, or ground, having a uniform solid cross section along their whole length in the shape of circles, segments of circles, ovals, rectangles (including squares), triangles, hexagons, octagons or other convex polygons. SSB includes cold-finished SSBs that are turned or ground in straight lengths, whether produced from hot-rolled bar or from straightened and cut rod or wire, and reinforcing bars that have indentations, ribs, groves, or other deformations produced during the rolling process.

Except as specified above, the term does not include stainless steel semi-finished products, cut-length flat-rolled products (*i.e.*, cut-length rolled products which if less than 4.75 mm in thickness have a width measuring at least 10 times the thickness or if 4.75 mm or more in thickness having a width which exceeds 150 mm and measures at least twice the thickness), wire (i.e., cold-formed products in coils, of any uniform solid cross section along their whole length, which do not conform to the definition of flat-rolled products), and angles, shapes and sections.

The SSB subject to this order is currently classifiable under subheadings 7222.10.0005, 7222.10.0050, 7222.20.0005, 7222.20.0045, 7222.20.0075, and 7222.30.0000 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS). Although the HTSUS subheadings are provided for convenience and customs purposes, our written description of the scope of this order is dispositive.

Initiation and Preliminary Results of Changed Circumstances Antidumping Duty Administrative Review, and Intent To Revoke Order In Part

Pursuant to section 751(d)(1) of the Act, the Department may partially revoke an antidumping duty order based on a review under section 751(b) of the Act (*i.e.*, a changed-circumstances review). Section 751(b)(1) of the Act requires a changed-circumstances

administrative review to be conducted upon receipt of a request containing information concerning changed circumstances sufficient to warrant a review.

The Department's regulations at 19 CFR 351.216 provide that the Department will conduct a changedcircumstances administrative review under 19 CFR 351.216(e) based upon an affirmative statement of no interest from the petitioner in the proceeding (i.e., such a statement constitutes "changed circumstances sufficient to warrant a review"). Section 782(h) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.222(g)(1)(i) provide further that the Department may revoke an order, or revoke an order in part, if it determines that the order under review is no longer of interest to domestic interested parties. In addition, in the event that the Department concludes that expedited action is warranted, section 351.216(e) of the regulations permits the Department to combine the notices of initiation and preliminary results.

Therefore, in accordance with sections 751(d) and 782(h) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.216 and 351.216(e), based on petitioners' affirmative statement of no interest in the continued application of the order to K-M35FL steel bar, we are initiating this changedcircumstances administrative review. Based on the fact that no other domestic interested parties have objected to the position taken by petitioners that they have no further interest in the application of the order to imports of K-M35FL steel bar from Japan, we have determined that expedited action is warranted, and we are combining these notices of initiation and preliminary results. We have preliminarily determined that there are changed circumstances sufficient to warrant partial revocation of the order on stainless steel bar from Japan. Therefore, we are hereby notifying the public of our intent to revoke in part the antidumping duty order as it relates to imports of K-M35FL from Japan. This partial revocation will apply to all entries of K-M35FL from Japan entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after the date of publication of the final results.

Public Comment

Any interested party may request a hearing within 10 days of publication of this notice. Any hearing, if requested, will be held no later than 28 days after the date of publication of this notice, or the first workday thereafter. Case briefs and/or written comments from interested parties may be submitted not later than 14 days after the date of

publication of this notice. Rebuttal briefs and rebuttals to written comments, limited to the issues raised in those comments, may be filed not later than 21 days after the date of publication of this notice. All written comments shall be submitted in accordance with 19 CFR 351.303. Persons interested in attending the hearing, if one is requested, should contact the Department for the date and time of the hearing. The Department will publish the final results of this changed circumstances review, including the results of its analysis of issues raised in any written comments.

We are issuing and publishing this determination and notice in accordance with sections 751(b)(1) and 777(i)(1) of the Act and sections 351.216 and 351.222 of the Department's regulations.

Dated: July 30, 1999.

Joseph A. Spetrini,

Acting Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration [A-401-040]

Revocation of Antidumping Finding: Stainless Steel Plate From Sweden

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

ACTION: Notice of revocation of antidumping finding: Stainless steel plate from Sweden.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to section 751(c) of the Tariff Act from 1930, as amended ("the Act"), the United States International Trade Commission ("the Commission") determined that revocation of the antidumping finding on stainless steel plate from Sweden is not likely to lead to continuation or recurrence of material injury to an industry in the United States within a reasonably foreseeable time (64 FR 37167 (July 9, 1999)). Therefore, pursuant to section 19 CFR 351.222(i)(1)(iii), the Department of Commerce ("the Department") is publishing notice of the revocation of the antidumping finding on stainless steel plate from Sweden. Pursuant to section 751(c)(6)(A)(iv) of the Act, the effective date of revocation is January 1, 2000.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Scott E. Smith or Melissa G. Skinner, Office of Policy for Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th and Constitution Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482–6397 or (202) 482-1560, respectively.

EFFECTIVE DATE: January 1, 2000.

Background

On August 3, 1998, the Department initiated, and the Commission instituted, a sunset review (63 FR 41227 and 63 FR 63748, respectively) of the antidumping finding on stainless steel plate from Sweden pursuant to section 751(c) of the Act. As a result of the review, the Department found that revocation of the antidumping finding would likely lead to continuation or recurrence of dumping and notified the Commission of the magnitude of the margin likely to prevail were the finding to be revoked. (See Final Results of Expedited Sunset Review: Stainless Steel Plate from Sweden, 63 FR 67658 (December 8, 1998)).

On July 9, 1999, the Commission determined, pursuant to section 751(c) of the Act, that revocation of the antidumping finding on stainless steel plate would not be likely to lead to continuation or recurrence of material injury to an industry in the United States within a reasonably foreseeable time. (See Stainless Steel Plate from Sweden, 64 FR 37167 (July 9, 1999) and USITC Pub. 3204, Inv. No. AA1921–114 (Review) (July 1999)).

Scope

The merchandise covered by this determination is stainless steel plate from Sweden. Stainless steel plate is commonly used in scientific and industrial equipment because of its resistance to staining, rusting and pitting.

Stainless steel plate is classified under Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS) item numbers:7219.11.00.00, 7219.12.00.05, 7209.12.00.15, 7219.12.00.45, 7219.12.00.65, 7219.12.00.70, 7219.12.00.80, 7219.21.00.05, 7219.21.00.50, 7219.22.00.05, 7219.22.00.10, 7219.22.00.30, 7209.22.00.60, 7219.31.00.10, 7219.31.00.50, 7220.11.00.00, 7222.30.00.00, and 7228.40.00.00. Although the subheading is provided for convenience and customs purposes, the written description of the merchandise subject to this order is dispositive.

Determination

As a result of the determination by the Commission that revocation of this antidumping finding is not likely to lead to continuation or recurrence of material

injury to an industry in the United States, the Department, pursuant to section 751(d)(2) of the Act, is revoking the antidumping finding on stainless steel plate from Sweden. Pursuant to section 751(c)(6)(A)(iv) of the Act, this revocation is effective January 1, 2000. The Department will instruct the U.S. Customs Service to discontinue suspension of liquidation and collection of cash deposit rates on entries of the subject merchandise entered or withdrawn from warehouse on or after January 1, 2000. The Department will complete any pending administrative reviews of this order and will conduct administrative reviews of subject merchandise entered prior to the effective date of revocation in response to appropriately filed requests for review.

Dated: August 2, 1999.

Joseph Spetrini,

Acting Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

University of Texas, et al., Notice of Consolidated Decision on Applications for Duty-Free Entry of Electron Microscopes

This is a decision consolidated pursuant to section 6(c) of the Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Materials Importation Act of 1966 (Pub. L. 89–651, 80 Stat. 897; 15 CFR part 301). Related records can be viewed between 8:30 A.M. and 5 P.M. in Room 4211, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC.

Docket Number: 99–013. Applicant: University of Texas, Houston, TX 77030. Instrument: Electron Microscope, Model JEM–1010. Manufacturer: JEOL Ltd., Japan. Intended Use: See notice at 64 FR 35127, June 30, 1999. Order Date: April 26, 1999.

Docket Number: 99–017. Applicant: The Burnham Institute, La Jolla, CA 92037. Instrument: Cryo Electron Microscope, Model Tecnai 12 Twin. Manufacturer: FEI Company, The Netherlands. Intended Use: See notice at 64 FR 36338, July 6, 1999. Order Date: December 11, 1998.

Comments: None received. Decision: Approved. No instrument of equivalent scientific value to the foreign instrument, for such purposes as these instruments are intended to be used, was being manufactured in the United