

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[A-588-054; A-588-604]

Tapered Roller Bearings and Parts Thereof, Finished and Unfinished, From Japan and Tapered Roller Bearings, Four Inches or Less in Outside Diameter, and Components Thereof From Japan; Antidumping Duty Administrative Reviews; Time Limits

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

ACTION: Notice of Extension of Time Limits.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce (the Department) is extending the time limits for the preliminary results of the 1997-1998 administrative reviews of the antidumping finding (A-588-604) and antidumping duty order (A-588-054) on tapered roller bearings from Japan. These reviews cover four manufacturers/exporters and resellers of the subject merchandise to the United States and the period October 1, 1997 through September 30, 1998.

EFFECTIVE DATE: September 28, 1999.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Robert M. James at (202) 482-5222, AD/CVD Enforcement Office Eight, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20230.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Because it is not practicable to complete these reviews within the normal statutory time limit, the Department is extending the time limits for completion of the preliminary results until October 4, 1999 in accordance with section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended. See Memorandum from Joseph A. Spetrini to Robert S. LaRussa, on file in Room B-099 of the main Commerce building. The deadline for the final results of these reviews will continue to be 120 days after publication of the preliminary results.

These extensions are in accordance with section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (19 U.S.C. 1675 (a)(3)(A)).

Dated: September 20, 1999.

Joseph A. Spetrini,

Deputy Assistant Secretary AD/CVD Enforcement Group III.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

Export Trade Certificate of Review

ACTION: Notice of Application.

SUMMARY: The Office of Export Trading Company Affairs ("OETCA"), International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce, has received an application for an Export Trade Certificate of Review ("Certificate"). This notice summarizes the proposed Certificate and requests comments relevant to whether the Certificate should be issued.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Morton Schnabel, Director, Office of Export Trading Company Affairs, International Trade Administration, (202) 482-5131. This is not a toll-free number.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Title III of the Export Trading Company Act of 1982 (15 U.S.C. 4001-21) (the "Act") authorizes the Secretary of Commerce to issue Export Trade Certificates of Review. A Certificate protects the holder and the members identified in the Certificate from state and federal government antitrust actions and from private, treble damage antitrust actions for the export conduct specified in the Certificate and carried out in compliance with its terms and conditions. Section 302(b)(1) of the Act and 15 CFR 325.6(a) require the Secretary to publish a notice in the **Federal Register** identifying the applicant and summarizing its proposed export conduct.

Request for Public Comments

Interested parties may submit written comments relevant to the determination whether a Certificate should be issued. If the comments include any privileged or confidential business information, it must be clearly marked and a nonconfidential version of the comments (identified as such) should be included. Any comments not marked privileged or confidential business information will be deemed to be nonconfidential. An original and five copies, plus two copies of the nonconfidential version, should be submitted no later than 20 days after the date of this notice to: Office of Export Trading Company Affairs, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce, Room 1104H, Washington, D.C. 20230. Information submitted by any person is exempt from disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. 552). However, nonconfidential versions of the

comments will be made available to the applicant if necessary for determining whether or not to issue the certificate. Comments should refer to this application as "Export Trade Certificate of Review, application number 99-00004."

Summary of the Application:

Applicant: USXT, Inc. ("USXT"), 9836 Remer Street, S. El Monte, CA 91733.

Contact: Sharleen Maldonado.

Telephone: (916) 568-6309.

Application No.: 99-00004.

Date Deemed Submitted: September 21, 1999.

Members (in addition to applicant): None.

The applicant has requested an expedited review.

USXT seeks a Certificate to cover the following specific Export Trade, Export Markets, and Export Trade Activities and Methods of Operations.

Export Trade*1. Products*

All Products, including, but not limited to U.S. coal; water treatment equipment, solid and medical waste treatment equipment, and other environmental-related products; food processing equipment, commodities and livestock; and educational materials and systems.

2. Services

All Services, including, but not limited to general management services, engineering services, pollution abatement services, and other services related to the Products.

3. Technology Rights

All intellectual property rights associated with Products or Services, including, but not limited to: patents, trademarks, service marks, trade names, copyrights, neighboring (related rights, trade secrets, know-how, and sui generis forms of protection for databases and computer programs.

4. Export Trade Facilitation Services (as They Relate to the Export of Products, Services and Technology Rights)

Export Trade Facilitation Services, including but not limited to: professional services in the areas of government relations and assistance with state and federal export programs, foreign trade and business protocol; consulting; market research and analysis; collection of information on trade opportunities; marketing; negotiations; joint ventures; shipping and export management; export licensing; advertising; grantsmanship; documentation and services related to compliance with customs requirements;

insurance and financing; bonding; warehousing; export trade promotion; trade show exhibitions and organization; organizational development; management and labor strategies; transfer of technology, transportation; and facilitating the formation of shippers' associations.

Export Markets

The Export Markets include all parts of the world except the United States (the fifty states of the United States, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, American Samoa, Guam, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, and the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands).

Export Trade Activities and Methods of Operation

USXT may:

1. Provide and/or arrange for the provision of Export Trade Facilitation Services;
2. Engage in promotion and marketing activities and collect and distribute information on trade opportunities in Mexico, Latin America, and all other Export Markets;
3. Enter into exclusive and/or non-exclusive agreements with distributors, foreign buyers, and/or sales representatives in Export Markets;
4. Enter into exclusive or non-exclusive sales agreements with suppliers, export intermediaries, or other persons for the sale of Products and Services;
5. Enter into exclusive or non-exclusive licensing agreements with suppliers, export intermediaries, or other persons for licensing Technology Rights in Export Markets;
6. Allocate the sales, export orders and/or divide Export Markets among suppliers, export intermediaries, or other persons for the sale and maintenance of Products and Services;
7. Allocate the licensing of Technology Rights among Suppliers, export intermediaries, or other persons;
8. Establish the price of Products and Services for sale in Export Markets;
9. Establish the fee for licensing of Technology Rights in Export Markets, as well as maintenance and financing commitments;
10. Negotiate, enter into, and/or manage licensing agreements and long-term purchase arrangements involving the export of Technology;
11. Provide extensive intergovernmental services to facilitate the grants and funding involvement of public and nongovernmental funding sources for private sector benefits in terms of export activity for goods and services.

Dated: September 22, 1999.

Morton Schnabel,

Director, Office of Export Trading Company Affairs.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

Alcoa Point Comfort/Lavaca Bay NPL Site, Point Comfort, Texas: Notice of Availability and Request for Comments on a Draft Damage Assessment and Restoration Plan/Environmental Assessment for Recreational Fishing Service Losses

AGENCIES: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce; United States Department of the Interior (DOI); Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD); Texas General Land Office (TGLO); Texas Natural Resources and Conservation Commission (TNRCC).

ACTION: Notice of availability of a Draft Damage Assessment and Restoration Plan and Environmental Assessment for recreational fishing service losses associated with the Alcoa Point Comfort/Lavaca Bay NPL Site, and of a 30-day period for public comment on the draft plan beginning September 28, 1999.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to 43 CFR 11.32 and 11.81-.82, notice is hereby given that a document entitled, "Draft Damage Assessment and Restoration Plan and Environmental Assessment for the Point Comfort/Lavaca Bay NPL Site Recreational Fishing Service Losses" (Draft DARP/EA) is available for public review and comment. This document has been prepared by the state and federal natural resource trustee agencies listed above to address recreational fishing services affected by releases of hazardous substances from the Alcoa Point Comfort/Lavaca Bay NPL Site ('Lavaca Bay Site' or 'Site'). This Draft DARP/EA presents the Trustees' assessment of the recreational fishing service losses attributable to the Site, and their proposed plan to compensate for the recreational fishing service losses by restoring recreational fishing services. The Trustees will consider comments received during the public comment period before finalizing the DARP/EA for recreational fishing service losses.

DATES: Comments must be submitted in writing on or before October 28, 1999.

ADDRESSES: Requests for copies of the Draft DARP/EA should be sent to Richard Seiler of TNRCC, MC142, PO Box 13087, Austin, TX 78711-3087 or Tony Penn of NOAA, 1305 East West Highway, Station 10218, Silver Spring, MD 20910. Written comments on the plan should be sent either to Richard Seiler of TNRCC or Tony Penn of NOAA at the addresses listed above.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Alcoa Point Comfort/Lavaca Bay NPL Site is located in Point Comfort, Calhoun County, Texas and encompasses releases of hazardous substances from Alcoa's Point Comfort Operations facility. Between 1948 and the present, Alcoa has constructed and operated several types of manufacturing processes at this facility, including aluminum smelting, carbon paste and briquette manufacturing, gas processing, chlor-alkali processing, and alumina refining. Past operations at the facility have resulted in the release of hazardous substances into the environment, including through the discharge of mercury-containing wastewater into Lavaca Bay from 1966 to 1970 and releases of mercury into the bay through a groundwater pathway. In April 1988, the Texas Department of Health (TDH) issued a "closure order" prohibiting the taking of finfish and crabs for consumption from a specific area of Lavaca Bay near the facility due to elevated mercury concentrations found in these species.

The Alcoa Point Comfort/Lavaca Bay Site was added to the National Priorities List (NPL), pursuant to section 105 of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA), 42 U.S.C. 9601, effective on March 25, 1994 (59 FR 8794, February 23, 1994). The Site was listed primarily due to the presence of mercury in several species of fish and crab in Lavaca Bay, the fishing closure imposed by TDH, and the presence of mercury and other hazardous substances in bay sediments adjacent to the facility. Alcoa, the State of Texas and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) signed an Administrative Order on Consent (AOC) under CERCLA in March 1994 for the conduct of a remedial investigation and feasibility study (RI/FS) for the Site.

NOAA, DOI, TPWD, TGLO and TNRCC (collectively, the Trustees) are designated natural resource trustees under section 107(f) of CERCLA, section 311 of the Federal Water Pollution and Control Act (FWPCA), 33 U.S.C. 1321, and other applicable federal or state laws, including Subpart G of the National Oil and Hazardous Substances