

reported in the IFS Data for the period April through August 1999.

Finally, for factory overhead, selling, general, and administrative expenses (SG&A), and profit, the petitioners used publicly available financial statements of Indian metal and chemical producers as published by the Reserve Bank of India in 1997.

Based on comparisons of EP to NV, as adjusted by the Department, the petitioners estimate dumping margins ranging from 211.58 to 307.79 percent.

Fair Value Comparisons

Based on the data provided by the petitioners, there is reason to believe that imports of citric acid and sodium citrate from the PRC are being, or are likely to be, sold at less than fair value.

Allegations and Evidence of Material Injury and Causation

The petitioners allege that the U.S. industry producing the domestic like product is threatened with material injury by reason of imports of the subject merchandise sold at less than NV. The allegations of threat of injury and causation are supported by relevant evidence including business proprietary data from the petitioners and U.S. Customs import data. The Department assessed the allegations and supporting evidence regarding the threat of material injury and causation and determined that these allegations are sufficiently supported by accurate and adequate evidence and meet the statutory requirements for initiation. *See* Initiation Checklist (public version on file in the Central Records Unit of the Department of Commerce, Room B-099).

Initiation of Antidumping Investigation

We have examined the petition on citric acid and sodium citrate from the PRC and have found that it meets the requirements of section 732 of the Act. Therefore, we are initiating an antidumping duty investigation to determine whether imports of citric acid and sodium citrate from the PRC are being, or are likely to be, sold in the United States at less than fair value. Unless postponed, we will make our preliminary determination for the antidumping duty investigation by May 23, 2000.

Distribution of Copies of the Petitions

In accordance with section 732(b)(3)(A) of the Act, a copy of the public version of the petition has been provided to the representatives of the government of the PRC. We will attempt to provide a copy of the public version

of the petition to each exporter named in the petition (as appropriate).

International Trade Commission Notification

We have notified the ITC of our initiation, as required by section 732(d) of the Act.

Preliminary Determination by the ITC

The ITC will determine by January 31, 2000, whether there is a reasonable indication that imports of citric acid and sodium citrate from the PRC are threatening to cause material injury to a U.S. industry. A negative ITC determination will result in the investigation being terminated; otherwise, the investigation will proceed according to statutory and regulatory time limits.

This notice is published in accordance with section 777(i)(1) of the Act.

Dated: January 4, 2000.

Robert S. LaRussa,

Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[A-570-820]

Certain Compact Ductile Iron Waterworks Fittings and Glands From the People's Republic of China: Final Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review

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

ACTION: Notice of final results of first antidumping duty administrative review.

SUMMARY: On October 14, 1999, the Department of Commerce ("the Department") published the preliminary results of the administrative review of the antidumping duty order on Certain Compact Ductile Iron Waterworks Fittings and Glands ("CDIW") from the People's Republic of China (64 FR 55697). The review covers shipments to the United States by one exporter of the subject merchandise, Beijing Metals and Minerals Import and Export Corporation, ("BMMIEC"), during the period September 1, 1997, through August 31, 1998.

We gave interested parties an opportunity to comment on our preliminary results and received no comments. The final results remain

unchanged from the preliminary results. The final weighted-average dumping margin for the reviewed firm is listed below in the section entitled "Final Results of Review."

EFFECTIVE DATE: January 11, 2000.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Lyman Armstrong or Paige Rivas, AD/CVD Enforcement Group II, Office IV, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482-3601 or (202) 482-0651 respectively.

Applicable Statute and Regulations

Unless otherwise indicated, 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. In addition, unless otherwise indicated, all citations to the Department's regulations are to the regulations at 19 CFR part 351 (1999).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On October 14, 1999, the Department published the preliminary results of the administrative review of the antidumping duty order on Certain Compact Ductile Iron Waterworks Fittings and Glands ("CDIW") from the People's Republic of China (64 FR 55697). We invited interested parties to comment and received no comments. The Department has now completed this review in accordance with section 751 of the Act and section 351.213 of its regulations.

Scope of Review

The products subject to this antidumping duty order are: (1) Certain compact ductile iron waterworks (CDIW) fittings of 3 to 16 inches nominal diameter regardless of shape, including bends, tees, crosses, wyes, reducers, adapters, and other shapes, whether or not cement line, and whether or not covered with bitumen or similar substance, conforming to American Water Works Association/American National Standards Institute (AWWA/ANSI) specification C153/A21.53, and rated for water working pressure of 350 PSI; and (2) certain CDIW standard ductile iron glands for fittings in sizes 3 to 16 inches, conforming to AWWA/ANSI specification C111/A21.11 and rated for water working pressure of 350 PSI. All accessory packs (including accessory packs containing glands), are excluded from the scope of this order.

The types of CDIW fittings covered by this order are compact ductile iron mechanical joint waterworks fittings and compact ductile iron push-on joint waterwork fittings, both of which are used for the same application. CDIW fittings are used to join water main pressure pipes, valves, or hydrants in straight lines, and change, divert, divide, or direct the flow of raw and/or treated water in piping systems. CDIW fittings attach to the pipe, valve, or hydrant at a joint and are used principally for municipal water distribution systems. CDIW glands are used to join mechanical joint CDIW fittings to pipes.

CDIW fittings with nominal diameters greater than 16 inches, are specifically excluded from the scope of the order. Nonmalleable cast iron fittings (also called gray iron fittings) and full-bodied ductile fittings are also specifically excluded from the scope of this order. Nonmalleable cast iron fittings have little ductility and are generally rated only 150 to 250 PSI. Full-bodied ductile fittings have a longer body design than a compact fitting because in the compact design the straight section of the body is omitted to provide a more compact and less heavy fitting without reducing strength or flow characteristics. In addition, the full-bodied ductile fittings are thicker walled than the compact fittings.

Full-bodied fittings are made of either gray iron or ductile iron, in sizes of 3 to 48 inches, conform to AWWA/ANSI specification C110/C21.10, and are rated to a maximum of only 250 PSI. In addition, compact ductile iron flanged fittings are excluded from the scope of this order, as they have significantly different characteristics and uses than CDIW fittings.

CDIW fittings are classifiable under subheading 7307.19.30.00 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS). Standard ductile iron glands are classifiable under HTSUS subheading 7325.99.10.00. Although the HTSUS subheadings are provided for convenience and customs purposes, our written description of the scope of this order is dispositive.

Final Results of Review

The final results remain unchanged from the preliminary results as the Department used the same methodology described in the preliminary results. As a result of our comparison of export price to normal value, we determine that the following weighted-average dumping margin exists:

Manufacturer/Exporter	Margin
Beijing Metals and Minerals Import and Export Corporation.	.09 percent (<i>de minimis</i>).

The Department shall determine, and Customs shall assess, antidumping duties on all appropriate entries. Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.212(b)(1), we have calculated an importer-specific duty assessment rate by dividing the total amount of dumping margins calculated for sales to each importer by the total number of units of those same sales sold to that importer. The unit dollar amount will be assessed uniformly against each unit of merchandise of that specific importer's entries during the POR. In accordance with 19 CFR 351.106(c)(2), we also will instruct Customs to liquidate without regard to antidumping duties any entries for which the importer-specific antidumping duty assessment rate is *de minimis*, i.e., less than 0.5 percent. The Department will issue appraisement instructions directly to Customs.

Furthermore, the following deposit requirements will be effective upon publication of the final results of this antidumping duty administrative review for all shipments of the subject merchandise entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after the publication date, as provided by section 751(a)(1) of the Act: (1) For BMMIEC, which has a separate rate, the cash deposit rate will be zero; (2) for any previously reviewed PRC and non-PRC exporter with a separate rate (including those companies for which we terminated the review), the cash deposit rate will be the company-specific rate established for the most recent period; (3) the cash deposit rate for all other PRC exporters will continue to be 127.38 percent, the PRC-wide rate established in the LTFV investigation; and (4) the cash deposit rate for non-PRC exporters of subject merchandise from the PRC will be the rate applicable to the PRC supplier of that exporter. These requirements, when imposed, shall remain in effect until publication of the final results of the next administrative review.

This notice serves as a final 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 administrative review is issued and published in accordance with sections 751(a)(1) and 777(i)(1) of the Act.

Dated: January 5, 2000.

Robert S. LaRussa,

Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

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Certain Cut-to-Length Carbon Steel Plate From Mexico: Extension of Time Limit

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

ACTION: Notice of extension of time limit for final results of antidumping duty administrative review.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce is extending the time limit for the final results of the administrative review of the antidumping duty order on Certain Cut-to-Length Carbon Steel Plate From Mexico. The review covers one manufacturer/exporter of the subject merchandise, and the period of review August 1, 1997 through July 31, 1998.

EFFECTIVE DATE: January 11, 2000.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Thomas Killiam or Robert James, Enforcement Group III, Office 8, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230; telephone (202) 482-3019 or 482-0649, respectively.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act), the Department of Commerce (the Department) may extend the deadline for completion of an administrative review if it determines that it is not practicable to complete the review within the statutory time limit of 120 days after the date on which the notice of preliminary results was published in the **Federal Register**. In the instant case, the preliminary results were published in the **Federal Register** on September 7, 1999 (64 FR 48584). The Department has determined that more time is needed to consider comments made by the parties in their October 22, 1999 case briefs and their October 27, 1999