

home market customers depending on the channel of distribution. The activities performed by ASC and the RSO were in greater number and more advanced than those provided by Liepajas Metalurgs on direct sales. ASC and RSO both provided selling functions such as customer negotiation, warehousing, sorting, repacking, and freight delivery, while Liepajas Metalurgs only negotiated with customers and arranged delivery of the product. Therefore, we have preliminarily determined that sales through ASC and RSO are at the same level of trade and Liepajas Metalurgs' direct sales are at a different level of trade in the home market.

Liepajas Metalurgs has reported one customer category in the U.S. market: traders. In comparing EP sales to the direct sales in the home market sales, we found that the selling functions performed by Liepajas Metalurgs for its direct customers and channels of distribution were very similar in the U.S. and Latvian markets. For U.S. sales, Liepajas Metalurgs conducts negotiations with the traders and arranges delivery to the port. Therefore, we concluded that the EP and home market direct sales were made at the same level of trade. Since Liepajas Metalurgs' direct home market and U.S. sales are at the same level of trade, and RSO's and ASC's home market sales are at a more advanced level of trade and

a consistent pattern of price differences exist, we have preliminarily determined that a level of trade adjustment is warranted.

Currency Conversion

We made currency conversions into U.S. dollars in accordance with section 773A of the Act, based on exchange rates in effect on the date of the U.S. sale, as certified by the Federal Reserve Bank.

Preliminary Results of Review

As a result of this review, we preliminarily determine that the following weighted-average margin exists for the period January 30, 2001, through August 31, 2002:

Producer	Weighted-Average Margin (Percentage)
Joint Stock Company Liepajas Metalurgs	0.87

The Department will disclose calculations performed in accordance with 19 CFR 351.224(b). An interested party may request a hearing within 30 days of publication of these preliminary results. See 19 CFR 351.310(c). Any hearing, if requested, will be held 44 days after the date of publication, or the first working day thereafter. Interested parties may submit case briefs and/or written comments no later than 30 days after the date of publication of these preliminary results. Rebuttal briefs and rebuttals to written comments, limited to issues raised in such briefs or comments, may be filed no later than 37 days after the date of publication. Parties who submit arguments are requested to submit with the argument (1) a statement of the issue,

(2) a brief summary of the argument, and (3) a table of authorities. Further, the parties submitting written comments should provide the Department with an additional copy of the public version of any such comments on diskette. The Department will issue the final results of this administrative review, which will include the results of its analysis of issues raised in any such comments, within 120 days of publication of these preliminary results.

Assessment

Upon completion of this administrative review, pursuant to 19 CFR 351.212(b), the Department will calculate an assessment rate on all appropriate entries. We will calculate importer-specific duty assessment rates on the basis of the ratio of the total amount of antidumping duties calculated for the examined sales to the total entered value of the examined

sales for that importer. Since the delivery terms for all of Liepajas Metalurgs' U.S. sales were FOB Latvian seaport, we will calculate entered value using the gross unit price reported in the U.S. sales database. Where the assessment rate is above *de minimis*, we will instruct the BCBP to assess duties on all entries of subject merchandise by that importer.

Cash Deposit Requirements

The following deposit rates will be effective upon publication of the final results of this administrative review for all shipments of rebar from Latvia entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after the publication date, as provided by section 751(a)(1) of the Act: (1) the cash deposit rate listed above for Liepajas Metalurgs will be the rate established in the final results of this review, except if a rate is less than 0.5 percent, and therefore *de minimis*, the cash deposit will be zero; (2) for previously reviewed or investigated companies not listed above, the cash deposit rate will continue to be the company-specific rate published for the most recent period; (3) if the exporter is not a firm covered in this review, a prior review, or the less-than-fair-value (LTFV) investigation, but the manufacturer is, the cash deposit rate will be the rate established for the most recent period for the manufacturer of the merchandise; and (4) if neither the exporter nor the manufacturer is a firm covered in this or any previous review conducted by the Department, the cash deposit rate will be 17.21 percent, the "All Others" rate established in the LTFV investigation. These cash deposit requirements, when imposed, shall

remain in effect until publication of the final results of the next administrative review.

This notice 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 entities 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: August 4, 2003.

Joseph A. Spetrini,

*Acting Assistant Secretary for Grant Aldonas,
Under Secretary.*

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

The Research Foundation of the State University of New York; Notice of Decision on Application for Duty-Free Entry of Scientific Instrument

This decision is made 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 Suite 4100W, U.S. Department of Commerce, Franklin

Court Building, 1099 14th Street, NW., Washington, DC.

Docket Number: 03-030.

Applicant: The Research Foundation of the State University of New York, Buffalo, NY 14260.

Instrument: Scanning Near-field Optical Microscope, Model AlphaSNOM.

Manufacturer: Wissenschaftliche Instrumente und Technologie GmbH, Germany.

Intended Use: See notice at 68 FR 42007, July 16, 2003.

Comments: None received. *Decision:* Approved. No instrument of equivalent scientific value to the foreign instrument, for such purposes as it is intended to be used, is being manufactured in the United States.

Reasons: The foreign instrument provides: (1) Easy switching between 3 types of microscopy (scanning near-field optical, confocal and atomic force) without moving the sample, (2) 50 nm resolution and (3) optimal flexibility for operation in a multi-user environment. The National Institutes of Health advised in its memorandum of July 21, 2003 that (1) these capabilities are pertinent to the applicant's intended purpose and (2) it knows of no domestic instrument or apparatus of equivalent scientific value to the foreign instrument for the applicant's intended use.

We know of no other instrument or apparatus of equivalent scientific value to the foreign instrument which is being manufactured in the United States.

Gerald A. Zerdy,

Program Manager, Statutory Import Programs Staff.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Institute of Standards and Technology

Visiting Committee on Advanced Technology

AGENCY: National Institute of Standards and Technology, Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of partially closed meeting.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. app. 2, notice is hereby given that the Visiting Committee on Advanced Technology, National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST), will meet Tuesday, September 9, 2003, from 8:25 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. and Wednesday,

September 10, 2003, from 8:15 a.m. to Noon. The Visiting Committee on Advanced Technology is composed of thirteen members appointed by the Director of NIST; who are eminent in such fields as business, research, new product development, engineering, labor, education, management consulting, environment, and international relations. The purpose of this meeting is to review and make recommendations regarding general policy for the Institute, its organization, its budget, and its programs within the framework of applicable national policies as set forth by the President and the Congress. The agenda will include a NIST Update, Remarks by the Acting Deputy Director and Acting Chief of Staff on Goals and Priorities, a Boulder Update, The New Office of the CIO, an Overview of NRC Board on Assessment FY 2002 Evaluation of NIST Labs, laboratory tours, Time and Frequency Measurements and Standards and Quantum Measurements and Standards. Discussions scheduled to begin at 8:25 a.m. and to end at 9 a.m., on September 9, and to begin at 8:15 a.m. and to end at 9 a.m. and to begin at 9:45 a.m. and to end at noon on September 10, 2003, on the NIST budget, planning information and feedback sessions will be closed. Agenda may change to accommodate Committee business. Final agenda will be posted on Web site. All visitors to the National Institute of Standards and Technology site will have to pre-register to be admitted. Please submit your name, time of arrival, e-mail address and phone number to Carolyn Peters no later than Thursday, September 4, 2003, and she will provide you with instructions for admittance. Ms. Peter's e-mail address is carolyn.peters@nist.gov and her phone number is (301) 975-5607.

DATES: The meeting will convene September 9, 2003 at 8:25 a.m. and will adjourn at Noon on September 10, 2003.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held in the Radio Building, Room 1107 (seating capacity 60, includes 35 participants), at NIST, Boulder, Colorado. Please note admittance instructions under **SUMMARY** paragraph.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Carolyn J. Peters, Visiting Committee on Advanced Technology, National Institute of Standards and Technology, Gaithersburg, Maryland 20899-1004, telephone number (301) 975-5607.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Assistant Secretary for Administration, with the concurrence of the General Counsel, formally determined on February 25, 2003, that portions of the meeting of the Visiting Committee on

Advanced Technology which deal with discussion of sensitive budget and planning information that would cause harm to third parties if publicly shared be closed in accordance with Section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. app. 2.

Dated: August 8, 2003.

Arden L. Bement, Jr.,

Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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North Pacific Fishery Management Council; Public Meetings

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of public meetings.

SUMMARY: The North Pacific Fishery Management Council's (Council) Gulf of Alaska (GOA) and Bering Sea/Aleutian Islands (BS/AI) groundfish plan teams will meet in Seattle, WA.

DATES: The meetings will be held on September 8-11, 2003.

ADDRESSES: The meetings will be held at the Alaska Fisheries Science Center, 7600 Sand Point Way N.E., Bldg. 4, Room 2076 (BS/AI Plan Team) and Room 2039 (GOA Plan Team), Seattle, WA.

Council address: North Pacific Fishery Management Council, 605 W. 4th Ave., Suite 306, Anchorage, AK 99501-2252.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jane DiCosimo, North Pacific Fishery Management Council; telephone: 907-271-2809.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The meetings will begin at 1 p.m. on Monday, September 8, and continue through Thursday September 11. The plan teams will review available stock assessments and catch statistics for Gulf of Alaska and Bering Sea/Aleutian Islands groundfish fisheries, review methodology for and adopt overfishing level and available biological catch projections for preliminary 2004 groundfish fisheries, review draft ecosystem chapter, review draft ecosystem assessment chapter, and review other potential Council actions on management on non-target groundfish and the total allowable catch setting process.