

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

Initiation of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Administrative Reviews

AGENCY: Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce (“the Department”) has received requests to conduct administrative reviews of various antidumping and countervailing duty orders and findings with January anniversary dates. In accordance with the Department’s regulations, we are initiating those administrative reviews.

DATES: *Effective* **[INSERT DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].**

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

The Department has received timely requests, in accordance with 19 CFR 351.213(b), for administrative reviews of various antidumping and countervailing duty orders and findings with January anniversary dates.

All deadlines for the submission of various types of information, certifications, or comments or actions by the Department discussed below refer to the number of calendar days from the applicable starting time.

Notice of No Sales

If a producer or exporter named in this notice of initiation had no exports, sales, or entries during the period of review (“POR”), it must notify the Department within 30 days of publication of this notice in the Federal Register. All submissions must be filed electronically at <http://access.trade.gov> in accordance with 19 CFR 351.303.¹ Such submissions are subject to verification in accordance with section 782(i) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (“the Act”). Further, in accordance with 19 CFR 351.303(f)(1)(i), a copy must be served on every party on the Department’s service list.

Respondent Selection

In the event the Department limits the number of respondents for individual examination for administrative reviews, the Department intends to select respondents based on U.S. Customs and Border Protection (“CBP”) data for U.S. imports during the POR. We intend to release the CBP data under Administrative Protective Order (“APO”) to all parties having an APO within seven days of publication of this initiation notice and to make our decision regarding respondent selection within 21 days of publication of this Federal Register notice. The Department invites comments regarding the CBP data and respondent selection within five days of placement of the CBP data on the record of the applicable review. Rebuttal comments will be due five days after submission of initial comments.

In the event the Department decides it is necessary to limit individual examination of respondents and conduct respondent selection under section 777A(c)(2) of the Act:

In general, the Department has found that determinations concerning whether particular companies should be “collapsed” (i.e., treated as a single entity for purposes of calculating antidumping duty rates) require a substantial amount of detailed information and analysis, which

¹ See Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Proceedings: Electronic Filing Procedures; Administrative Protective Order Procedures, 76 FR 39263 (July 6, 2011).

often require follow-up questions and analysis. Accordingly, the Department will not conduct collapsing analyses at the respondent selection phase of this review and will not collapse companies at the respondent selection phase unless there has been a determination to collapse certain companies in a previous segment of this antidumping proceeding (i.e., investigation, administrative review, new shipper review or changed circumstances review). For any company subject to this review, if the Department determined, or continued to treat, that company as collapsed with others, the Department will assume that such companies continue to operate in the same manner and will collapse them for respondent selection purposes. Otherwise, the Department will not collapse companies for purposes of respondent selection. Parties are requested to (a) identify which companies subject to review previously were collapsed, and (b) provide a citation to the proceeding in which they were collapsed. Further, if companies are requested to complete the Quantity and Value (“Q&V”) Questionnaire for purposes of respondent selection, in general each company must report volume and value data separately for itself. Parties should not include data for any other party, even if they believe they should be treated as a single entity with that other party. If a company was collapsed with another company or companies in the most recently completed segment of this proceeding where the Department considered collapsing that entity, complete Q&V data for that collapsed entity must be submitted.

Respondent Selection—Wooden Bedroom Furniture from the PRC

In the event that the Department limits the number of respondents for individual examination in the antidumping duty administrative review of wooden bedroom furniture from the PRC, for the purposes of this segment of the proceeding, i.e., the 2014 review period, the Department intends to select respondents based on volume data contained in responses to a Q&V

questionnaire. All parties are hereby notified that they must timely respond to the Q&V questionnaire. The Department's Q&V questionnaire along with the Separate Rate Application, Separate Rate Certification, and certain additional questions will be available in a document package on the Department's website at <http://enforcement.trade.gov/download/prc-wbf/> on the date this notice is published. The responses to the Q&V questionnaire should be filed with the respondents' Separate Rate Application or Separate Rate Certification and their response to the additional questions and must be received by the Department by no later than 30 days after publication of this notice. Please be advised that due to the time constraints imposed by the statutory and regulatory deadlines for antidumping duty administrative reviews, the Department does not intend to grant any extensions for the submission of responses to the Q&V questionnaire.

Deadline for Withdrawal of Request for Administrative Review

Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.213(d)(1), a party that has requested a review may withdraw that request within 90 days of the date of publication of the notice of initiation of the requested review. The regulation provides that the Department may extend this time if it is reasonable to do so. In order to provide parties additional certainty with respect to when the Department will exercise its discretion to extend this 90-day deadline, interested parties are advised that the Department does not intend to extend the 90-day deadline unless the requestor demonstrates that an extraordinary circumstance has prevented it from submitting a timely withdrawal request. Determinations by the Department to extend the 90-day deadline will be made on a case-by-case basis.

Separate Rates

In proceedings involving non-market economy (“NME”) countries, the Department begins with a rebuttable presumption that all companies within the country are subject to government control and, thus, should be assigned a single antidumping duty deposit rate. It is the Department’s policy to assign all exporters of merchandise subject to an administrative review in an NME country this single rate unless an exporter can demonstrate that it is sufficiently independent so as to be entitled to a separate rate.

To establish whether a firm is sufficiently independent from government control of its export activities to be entitled to a separate rate, the Department analyzes each entity exporting the subject merchandise under a test arising from the Final Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value: Sparklers from the People’s Republic of China, 56 FR 20588 (May 6, 1991), as amplified by Final Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value: Silicon Carbide from the People’s Republic of China, 59 FR 22585 (May 2, 1994). In accordance with the separate rates criteria, the Department assigns separate rates to companies in NME cases only if respondents can demonstrate the absence of both de jure and de facto government control over export activities.

All firms listed below that wish to qualify for separate rate status in the administrative reviews involving NME countries must complete, as appropriate, either a separate rate application or certification, as described below. In addition, all firms that wish to qualify for separate-rate status in the antidumping duty administrative review of wooden bedroom furniture from the PRC must complete, as appropriate, either a separate-rate certification or application, as described below, and respond to the additional questions and the Q&V questionnaire which are included along with the separate-rate certification and application in a document package on the Department’s website at <http://enforcement.trade.gov/download/prc-wbf/>. For these

administrative reviews, in order to demonstrate separate rate eligibility, the Department requires entities for whom a review was requested, that were assigned a separate rate in the most recent segment of this proceeding in which they participated, to certify that they continue to meet the criteria for obtaining a separate rate. The Separate Rate Certification form will be available on the Department's website at <http://enforcement.trade.gov/nme/nme-sep-rate.html> on the date of publication of this Federal Register notice. For the antidumping duty administrative review of wooden bedroom furniture from the PRC, the Separate Rate Certification form will be available at the website address noted above for the document package. In responding to the certification, please follow the "Instructions for Filing the Certification" in the Separate Rate Certification. Separate Rate Certifications are due to the Department no later than 30 calendar days after publication of this Federal Register notice. For the antidumping duty administrative review of wooden bedroom furniture from the PRC, Separate Rate Certifications, as well as a response to the Q&V questionnaire and the additional questions in the document package, are due to the Department no later than 30 calendar days after publication of this Federal Register notice. The deadline and requirement for submitting a Certification applies equally to NME-owned firms, wholly foreign-owned firms, and foreign sellers who purchase and export subject merchandise to the United States.

Entities that currently do not have a separate rate from a completed segment of the proceeding² should timely file a Separate Rate Application to demonstrate eligibility for a separate rate in this proceeding. In addition, companies that received a separate rate in a completed segment of the proceeding that have subsequently made changes, including, but not

²Such entities include entities that have not participated in the proceeding, entities that were preliminarily granted a separate rate in any currently incomplete segment of the proceeding (e.g., an ongoing administrative review, new shipper review, etc.) and entities that lost their separate rate in the most recently completed segment of the proceeding in which they participated.

limited to, changes to corporate structure, acquisitions of new companies or facilities, or changes to their official company name³, should timely file a Separate Rate Application to demonstrate eligibility for a separate rate in this proceeding. The Separate Rate Status Application will be available on the Department's website at <http://enforcement.trade.gov/nme/nme-sep-rate.html> on the date of publication of this Federal Register notice. For the antidumping duty administrative review of wooden bedroom furniture from the PRC, the Separate Rate Status Application will be available at the website address noted above for the document package. In responding to the Separate Rate Status Application, refer to the instructions contained in the application. Separate Rate Status Applications are due to the Department no later than 30 calendar days of publication of this Federal Register notice. For the antidumping duty administrative review of wooden bedroom furniture from the PRC, Separate Rate Status Applications, as well as a response to the Q&V questionnaire and the additional questions in the document package, are due to the Department no later than 30 calendar days after publication of this Federal Register notice. The deadline and requirement for submitting a Separate Rate Status Application applies equally to NME-owned firms, wholly foreign-owned firms, and foreign sellers that purchase and export subject merchandise to the United States.

For exporters and producers who submit a separate-rate status application or certification and subsequently are selected as mandatory respondents, these exporters and producers will no longer be eligible for separate rate status **unless** they respond to all parts of the questionnaire as mandatory respondents.

³ Only changes to the official company name, rather than trade names, need to be addressed via a Separate Rate Application. Information regarding new trade names may be submitted via a Separate Rate Certification.

Furthermore, this notice constitutes public notification to all firms for which an antidumping duty administrative review of wooden bedroom furniture has been requested, and that are seeking separate rate status in the review, that they must submit a timely separate rate application or certification (as appropriate) as described above, and a timely response to the Q&V questionnaire and the additional questions in the document package on the Department's website in order to receive consideration for separate-rate status. In other words, the Department will not give consideration to any timely separate rate certification or application made by parties who failed to respond in a timely manner to the Q&V questionnaire and the additional questions. All information submitted by respondents in the antidumping duty administrative review of wooden bedroom furniture from the PRC is subject to verification. As noted above, the separate rate certification, the separate rate application, the Q&V questionnaire, and the additional questions will be available in a document package on the Department's website on the date of publication of this notice in the Federal Register.

INITIATION OF REVIEWS:

In accordance with 19 CFR 351.221(c)(1)(i), we are initiating administrative reviews of the following antidumping and countervailing duty orders and findings. We intend to issue the final results of these reviews not later than January 31, 2016.

Antidumping Duty Proceedings

Period to be Reviewed

THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA: Potassium Permanganate
A-570-001

1/1/14 - 12/31/14

Pacific Accelerator Limited

THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA: Multilayered Wood Flooring⁴
A-570-970

12/1/13 - 11/30/14

Dalian Dajen Wood Co., Ltd⁵
Jiangsu Mingle Flooring Co., Ltd.⁶
Linyi Youyou Wood Co., Ltd⁷

THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA: Wooden Bedroom Furniture
A-570-890

1/1/14 - 12/31/14

Art Heritage International, Ltd., Super Art Furniture Co., Ltd., Artwork Metal & Plastic Co., Ltd., Jibson Industries Ltd., Always Loyal International
Baigou Crafts Factory Of Fengkai
Balanza Co., Ltd.
Best King International Ltd.
Billionworth Enterprises Ltd.
BNBM Co. Ltd. (aka Beijing New Materials Co., Ltd.)
Brittomart Inc.
C.F. Kent Co., Inc.
C.F. Kent Hospitality, Inc.
Changshu Htc Import & Export Co., Ltd.
Cheng Meng Furniture (PTE) Ltd., Cheng Meng Decoration & Furniture (Suzhou) Co., Ltd.
Chuan Fa Furniture Factory
Classic Furniture Global Co., Ltd.
Clearwise Co., Ltd.
Dalian Guangming Furniture Co., Ltd.
Dalian Huafeng Furniture Co., Ltd.
Dalian Huafeng Furniture Group Co., Ltd.
Decca Furniture Ltd.
Der Cheng Furniture Co., Ltd.
Der Cheng Wooden Works Of Factory
Dongguan Bon Ten Furniture Co., Ltd.
Dongguan Chengcheng Furniture Co., Ltd.
Dongguan Dong He Furniture Co., Ltd.
Dongguan Fortune Furniture Ltd.
Dongguan Grand Style Furniture Co., Ltd.
Dongguan Hung Sheng Artware Products Co., Ltd., Coronal Enterprise Co., Ltd.

⁴ The deadline to withdraw a review request pursuant to 19 CFR 351.213(d)(1) continues to be 90 days from the publication of the initiation notice published on February 4, 2015 (80 FR 6041).

⁵ This company was inadvertently omitted from the initiation notice that published on February 4, 2015 (80 FR 6041).

⁶ The company name listed above inadvertently omitted ("Ltd.") in the initiation notice that published on February 4, 2015 (80 FR 6041).

⁷ The company name listed above inadvertently listed ("u") at the end of the name in the initiation notice that published on February 4, 2015 (80 FR 6041).

Dongguan Kingstone Furniture Co., Ltd., Kingstone Furniture Co., Ltd.
 Dongguan Lung Dong Furniture Co., Ltd.
 Dongguan Mingsheng Furniture Co., Ltd.
 Dongguan Mu Si Furniture Co., Ltd.
 Dongguan Nova Furniture Co., Ltd.
 Dongguan Singways Furniture Co., Ltd.
 Dongguan Sunrise Furniture Co., Ltd., Taicang Sunrise Wood Industry Co., Ltd., Taicang
 Fairmount Designs Furniture Co., Ltd., Meizhou Sunrise Furniture Co., Ltd.
 Dongguan Sunshine Furniture Co., Ltd.
 Dongguan Yujia Furniture Co., Ltd.
 Dongying Huanghekou Furniture Industry Co., Ltd.
 Dorbest Ltd., Rui Feng Woodwork Co., Ltd. Aka Rui Feng Woodwork (Dongguan) Co.,
 Ltd., Rui Feng Lumber Development Co., Ltd. Aka Rui Feng Lumber Development
 (Shenzhen) Co., Ltd.
 Dream Rooms Furniture (Shanghai) Co., Ltd.
 Eurosa (Kunshan) Co., Ltd., Eurosa Furniture Co., (Pte) Ltd.
 Fairmont Designs
 Fine Furniture (Shanghai) Ltd.
 Fleetwood Fine Furniture LP
 Fortune Furniture Ltd.
 Fortune Glory Industrial Ltd. (H.K. Ltd.), Tradewinds Furniture Ltd.
 Fujian Lianfu Forestry Co., Ltd. aka Fujian Wonder Pacific Inc.
 Fuzhou Huan Mei Furniture Co., Ltd.
 Golden Well International (HK) Ltd.
 Guangdong New Four Seas Furniture Manufacturing Ltd.
 Guangzhou Lucky Furniture Co., Ltd.
 Guangzhou Maria Yee Furnishings Ltd., Pyla HK Ltd., Maria Yee, Inc.
 Hainan Jong Bao Lumber Co., Ltd.
 Haining Kareno Furniture Co., Ltd.
 Hang Hai Woodcraft's Art Factory
 Hangzhou Cadman Trading Co., Ltd.
 Hong Kong Da Zhi Furniture Co., Ltd.
 Hualing Furniture (China) Co., Ltd., Tony House Manufacture (China) Co., Ltd.,
 Buysell Investments Ltd., Tony House Industries Co., Ltd.
 Huasen Furniture Co., Ltd.
 Hung Fai Wood Products Factory Ltd.
 Jasonwood Industrial Co., Ltd. S.A.
 Jiangmen Kinwai Furniture Decoration Co., Ltd.
 Jiangmen Kinwai International Furniture Co., Ltd.
 Jiangsu Dare Furniture Co., Ltd.
 Jiangsu Xiangsheng Bedtime Furniture Co., Ltd.
 Jiangsu Yuexing Furniture Group Co., Ltd.
 Jibbon Enterprise Co., Ltd.
 Jiedong Lehouse Furniture Co., Ltd.
 King Rich International, Ltd.
 King's Group Furniture (ENT) Co., Ltd.

King's Way Furniture Industries Co., Ltd.
 Kingsyear Ltd.
 Kunshan Summit Furniture Co., Ltd.
 Leefu Wood (Dongguan) Co., Ltd.
 Nanhai Jiantai Woodwork Co., Ltd., Fortune Glory Industrial Ltd. (H.K. Ltd.)
 Nantong Wangzhuang Furniture
 Nantong Yangzi Furniture Co., Ltd.
 Nathan International Ltd., Nathan Rattan Factory
 Orient International Holding Shanghai Foreign Trade Co., Ltd.
 Passwell Corporation, Pleasant Wave Ltd.
 Perfect Line Furniture Co., Ltd.
 Prime Wood International Co., Ltd, Prime Best International Co., Ltd., Prime Best
 Factory, Liang Huang (Jiaxing) Enterprise Co., Ltd.
 Putian Jinggong Furniture Co., Ltd.
 Qingdao Beiyuan Shengli Furniture Co., Ltd., Qingdao Beiyuan Industry Trading
 Co., Ltd.
 Qingdao Liangmu Co., Ltd.
 Qingdao Shengchang Wooden Co., Ltd.
 Restonic (Dongguan) Furniture Ltd., Restonic Far East (Samoa) Ltd.
 Rizhao Sanmu Woodworking Co., Ltd.
 Sen Yeong International Co., Ltd., Sheh Hau International Trading Ltd.
 Shanghai Chengguan Import & Export, Ltd.
 Shanghai Jian Pu Export & Import Co., Ltd.
 Shanghai Jiangfeng Furniture
 Shanghai Sinofound Imp. & Exp. Co., Ltd.
 Shanghai Sunrise Furniture Co., Ltd.
 Shenyang Shining Dongxing Furniture Co., Ltd.
 Shenzhen Forest Furniture Co., Ltd.
 Shenzhen Jiafa High Grade Furniture Co., Ltd., Golden Lion International Trading Ltd.
 Shenzhen New Fudu Furniture Co., Ltd.
 Shenzhen Wonderful Furniture Co., Ltd.
 Shenzhen Xingli Furniture Co., Ltd.
 Shing Mark Enterprise Co., Ltd., Carven Industries Limited (BVI), Carven Industries
 Limited (HK), Dongguan Zhenxin Furniture Co., Ltd., Dongguan Yongpeng
 Furniture Co., Ltd.
 Songgang Jasonwood Furniture Factory
 Starwood Industries Ltd.
 Strongson Furniture (Shenzhen) Co., Ltd., Strongson Furniture Co., Ltd., Strongson
 (Hk) Co.
 Sunforce Furniture (Hui-Yang) Co., Ltd., Sun Fung Wooden Factory, Sun Fung Co., Shin
 Feng Furniture Co., Ltd., Stupendous International Co., Ltd.
 Superwood Co., Ltd., Lianjiang Zongyu Art Products Co., Ltd.
 Teamway Furniture (Dong Guan) Co., Ltd.
 Techniwood Industries Ltd., Ningbo Furniture Industries Ltd., Ningbo Hengrun
 Furniture Co., Ltd.
 Tianjin Phu Shing Woodwork Enterprise Co., Ltd.

Tube-Smith Enterprise (Haimen) Co., Ltd.
 Tube-Smith Enterprise (Zhangzhou) Co., Ltd.
 U-Rich Furniture (Zhangzhou) Co., Ltd., U-Rich Furniture Ltd.
 Woodworth Wooden Industries (Dong Guan) Co., Ltd.
 Wuxi Yushea Furniture Co., Ltd.
 Xiamen Yongquan Sci-Tech Development Co., Ltd.
 Xilinmen Group Co., Ltd.
 Yeh Brothers World Trade Inc.
 Yichun Guangming Furniture Co., Ltd.
 Yihua Timber Industry Co., Ltd., Guangdong Yihua Timber Industry Co., Ltd.
 Zhang Zhou Sanlong Wood Product Co., Ltd.
 Zhangjiagang Daye Hotel Furniture Co., Ltd.
 Zhangjiang Sunwin Arts & Crafts Co., Ltd.
 Zhangzhou Guohui Industrial & Trade Co., Ltd.
 Zhejiang Tianyi Scientific & Educational Equipment Co., Ltd.
 Zhong Shan Fullwin Furniture Co., Ltd.
 Zhong Shun Wood Art Co.
 Zhongshan Fookyik Furniture Co., Ltd.
 Zhongshan Golden King Furniture Industrial Co., Ltd.
 Zhoushan For-Strong Wood Co., Ltd.

Countervailing Duty Proceedings

THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA: Multilayered Wood Flooring⁸
 C-570-971

1/1/13 - 12/13/13

Suspension Agreements

None

Duty Absorption Reviews

During any administrative review covering all or part of a period falling between the first and second or third and fourth anniversary of the publication of an antidumping duty order under 19 CFR 351.211 or a determination under 19 CFR 351.218(f)(4) to continue an order or suspended investigation (after sunset review), the Secretary, if requested by a domestic interested

⁸ In the initiation notice that published on February 4, 2015 (80 FR 6041), the Department inadvertently included Zhejiang Layo Wood Industry Co., Ltd. in the initiation of the review of the countervailing duty order on Multilayered Wood Flooring from the PRC. We are not initiating a countervailing duty review with respect to Zhejiang Layo Wood Industry Co., Ltd., because this company was excluded for the countervailing duty order. See 76 FR 76693.

party within 30 days of the date of publication of the notice of initiation of the review, will determine, consistent with FAG Italia v. United States, 291 F.3d 806 (Fed Cir. 2002), as appropriate, whether antidumping duties have been absorbed by an exporter or producer subject to the review if the subject merchandise is sold in the United States through an importer that is affiliated with such exporter or producer. The request must include the name(s) of the exporter or producer for which the inquiry is requested.

Gap Period Liquidation

For the first administrative review of any order, there will be no assessment of antidumping or countervailing duties on entries of subject merchandise entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption during the relevant provisional-measures “gap” period, of the order, if such a gap period is applicable to the POR.

Administrative Protective Orders and Letters of Appearance

Interested parties must submit applications for disclosure under administrative protective orders in accordance with 19 CFR 351.305. On January 22, 2008, the Department published Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Proceedings: Documents Submission Procedures; APO Procedures, 73 FR 3634 (January 22, 2008). Those procedures apply to administrative reviews included in this notice of initiation. Parties wishing to participate in any of these administrative reviews should ensure that they meet the requirements of these procedures (e.g., the filing of separate letters of appearance as discussed at 19 CFR 351.103(d)).

Revised Factual Information Requirements

On April 10, 2013, the Department published Definition of Factual Information and Time Limits for Submission of Factual Information: Final Rule, 78 FR 21246 (April 10, 2013), which modified two regulations related to antidumping and countervailing duty proceedings: the

definition of factual information (19 CFR 351.102(b)(21)), and the time limits for the submission of factual information (19 CFR 351.301). The final rule identifies five categories of factual information in 19 CFR 351.102(b)(21), which are summarized as follows: (i) evidence submitted in response to questionnaires; (ii) evidence submitted in support of allegations; (iii) publicly available information to value factors under 19 CFR 351.408(c) or to measure the adequacy of remuneration under 19 CFR 351.511(a)(2); (iv) evidence placed on the record by the Department; and (v) evidence other than factual information described in (i)–(iv). The final rule requires any party, when submitting factual information, to specify under which subsection of 19 CFR 351.102(b)(21) the information is being submitted and, if the information is submitted to rebut, clarify, or correct factual information already on the record, to provide an explanation identifying the information already on the record that the factual information seeks to rebut, clarify, or correct. The final rule also modified 19 CFR 351.301 so that, rather than providing general time limits, there are specific time limits based on the type of factual information being submitted. These modifications are effective for all segments initiated on or after May 10, 2013. Please review the final rule, available at <http://enforcement.trade.gov/frn/2013/1304frn/2013-08227.txt>, prior to submitting factual information in this segment.

Any party submitting factual information in an antidumping duty or countervailing duty proceeding must certify to the accuracy and completeness of that information.⁹ Parties are hereby reminded that revised certification requirements are in effect for company/government officials as well as their representatives. All segments of any antidumping duty or countervailing duty proceedings initiated on or after August 16, 2013, should use the formats for the revised certifications provided at the end of the Final Rule.¹⁰ The Department intends to reject factual

⁹ See section 782(b) of the Act.

¹⁰ See Certification of Factual Information To Import Administration During Antidumping and Countervailing Duty

submissions in any proceeding segments if the submitting party does not comply with applicable revised certification requirements.

Revised Extension of Time Limits Regulation

On September 20, 2013, the Department modified its regulation concerning the extension of time limits for submissions in antidumping and countervailing duty proceedings: Final Rule, 78 FR 57790 (September 20, 2013). The modification clarifies that parties may request an extension of time limits before a time limit established under Part 351 expires, or as otherwise specified by the Secretary. In general, an extension request will be considered untimely if it is filed after the time limit established under Part 351 expires. For submissions which are due from multiple parties simultaneously, an extension request will be considered untimely if it is filed after 10:00 a.m. on the due date. Examples include, but are not limited to: (1) Case and rebuttal briefs, filed pursuant to 19 CFR 351.309; (2) factual information to value factors under 19 CFR 351.408(c), or to measure the adequacy of remuneration under 19 CFR 351.511(a)(2), filed pursuant to 19 CFR 351.301(c)(3) and rebuttal, clarification and correction filed pursuant to 19 CFR 351.301(c)(3)(iv); (3) comments concerning the selection of a surrogate country and surrogate values and rebuttal; (4) comments concerning U.S. Customs and Border Protection data; and (5) quantity and value questionnaires. Under certain circumstances, the Department may elect to specify a different time limit by which extension requests will be considered untimely for submissions which are due from multiple parties simultaneously. In such a case, the Department will inform parties in the letter or memorandum setting forth the deadline (including a specified time) by which extension requests must be filed to be considered timely. This modification also requires that an extension request must be made in a separate, stand-alone

Proceedings, 78 FR 42678 (July 17, 2013) (“Final Rule”); see also the frequently asked questions regarding the Final Rule, available at http://enforcement.trade.gov/tlei/notices/factual_info_final_rule_FAQ_07172013.pdf.

submission, and clarifies the circumstances under which the Department will grant untimely-filed requests for the extension of time limits. These modifications are effective for all segments initiated on or after October 21, 2013. Please review the final rule, available at <http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2013-09-20/html/2013-22853.htm>, prior to submitting factual information in these segments.

These initiations and this notice are in accordance with section 751(a) of the Act (19 USC 1675(a)) and 19 CFR 351.221(c)(1)(i).

Dated: February 24, 2015.

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