

date of publication of this notice. Rebuttal briefs, limited to issues raised in the case briefs, may be filed no later than five days after the date for filing case briefs.<sup>18</sup> Parties who submit case briefs or rebuttal briefs in this proceeding are encouraged to submit with each argument: (1) A statement of the issue; (2) a brief summary of the argument; and (3) a table of authorities.<sup>19</sup> Case and rebuttal briefs should be filed using ACCESS.<sup>20</sup>

Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.310(c), interested parties who wish to request a hearing must submit a written request to the Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance, filed electronically via ACCESS. An electronically filed document must be received successfully in its entirety by the Department's electronic records system, ACCESS, by 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time within 30 days after the date of publication of this notice.<sup>21</sup> Requests should contain: (1) The party's name, address, and telephone number; (2) the number of participants; and (3) a list of issues to be discussed. Issues raised in the hearing will be limited to those raised in the respective case briefs. If a request for a hearing is made, parties will be notified of the date and time of the hearing to be held at the U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20230.

Unless the deadline is extended pursuant to section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.213(h)(2), the Department intends to issue the final results of this administrative review, including the results of its analysis of the issues raised in all written case briefs, within 120 days after the issuance of these preliminary results.

#### Notification to Importers

This notice also serves as a preliminary reminder to importers of their responsibility under 19 CFR 351.402(f)(2) 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 Department's presumption that reimbursement of antidumping duties occurred and the subsequent assessment of double antidumping duties.

We are issuing and publishing these results in accordance with sections 751(a)(1) and 777(i)(1) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.213(h)(1).

Dated: November 30, 2017.

**Gary Taverman,**

*Deputy Assistant Secretary for Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Operations, performing the non-exclusive functions and duties of the Assistant Secretary of Enforcement and Compliance.*

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#### DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

##### International Trade Administration

[A-201-844]

##### Steel Concrete Reinforcing Bar From Mexico: Preliminary Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review and Preliminary Determination of No Shipments; 2015-2016

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

**SUMMARY:** In response to requests from interested parties, the Department of Commerce (the Department) is conducting an administrative review of the antidumping duty order on steel concrete reinforcing bar (rebar) from Mexico, covering the period November 1, 2015, through October 31, 2016. The review covers one mandatory respondent, Deacero S.A.P.I de C.V. (Deacero), and 12 non-selected companies. We preliminarily determine that Deacero did not make sales of subject merchandise at less than normal value during the period of review (POR). Interested parties are invited to comment on these preliminary results.

**DATES:** Applicable December 6, 2017.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Stephanie Moore, AD/CVD Operations, Office III, Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration,

U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482-3692.

#### Background

On January 13, 2017, the Department published a notice of initiation of an administrative review of the antidumping order on rebar from Mexico.<sup>1</sup> The Department initiated this administrative review covering 13 companies.<sup>2</sup> On July 11, 2017, the Department issued a memorandum extending the time period for issuing the preliminary results of the instant administrative review from August 2, 2017 to October 2, 2017.<sup>3</sup> On September 25, 2017, the Department fully extended the deadline to November 30, 2017.<sup>4</sup>

#### Scope of the Order

Imports covered by the order are shipments of steel concrete reinforcing bar imported in either straight length or coil form (rebar) regardless of metallurgy, length, diameter, or grade. The merchandise subject to review is currently classifiable under items 7213.10.0000, 7214.20.0000, and 7228.30.8010. The subject merchandise may also enter under other Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS) numbers including 7215.90.1000, 7215.90.5000, 7221.00.0017, 7221.00.0018, 7221.00.0030, 7221.00.0045, 7222.11.0001, 7222.11.0057, 7222.11.0059, 7222.30.0001, 7227.20.0080, 7227.90.6085, 7228.20.1000, and 7228.60.6000. Although the HTSUS subheadings are provided for convenience and customs purposes, the written description of the merchandise subject to the order is dispositive.<sup>5</sup>

<sup>1</sup> See *Initiation of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Administrative Reviews*, 82 FR 294 (January 13, 2017).

<sup>2</sup> We initiated a review of the following 13 companies: Deacero S.A.P.I. de C.V.; Grupo Acerero S.A. de C.V.; Grupo Simec Orge S.A. de C.V.; Industrias CH; Ternium Mexico, S.A. de C.V.; ArcelorMittal Lazaro Cardenas S.A. de C.V.; Cia Siderurgica De California S.A. de C.V.; Siderurgica Tultitlan S.A. de C.V.; Talleres y Aceros, S.A. de C.V.; Grupo Villacero S.A. de C.V.; AceroMex S.A.; ArcelorMittal Celaya, S.A. de C.V.; and ArcelorMittal Cordoba S.A. de C.V.

<sup>3</sup> See Memorandum, titled "Steel Concrete Reinforcing Bar from Mexico: Extension of Deadline for Preliminary Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review, 2015-2016," dated July 11, 2017.

<sup>4</sup> See Memorandum, titled "Steel Concrete Reinforcing Bar from Mexico: Extension of Deadline for Preliminary Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review, 2015-2016," dated September 25, 2017.

<sup>5</sup> For a full description of the scope of the order, see the "Decision Memorandum for the Preliminary Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review: Steel Concrete Reinforcing Bar from

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<sup>18</sup> See 19 CFR 351.309(d).

<sup>19</sup> See 19 CFR 351.309(c)(2) and (d)(2).

<sup>20</sup> See 19 CFR 351.303.

<sup>21</sup> See 19 CFR 351.310(c).

### Preliminary Determination of No Shipments

On January 19, 2017, Grupo Simec and Orge S.A. de C.V. (Grupo Simec) stated that it had no exports or sales, and no entries for consumption of subject merchandise into the United States during the POR. On February 12, 2017, ArcelorMittal Lazaro Cardenas, S.A. de C.V. (which became ArcelorMittal Mexico, S.A. de C.V. on March 31, 2014), ArcelorMittal Celaya, S.A. de C.V., and ArcelorMittal Cordoba, S.A. de C.V. (collectively, Arcelor Mittal) submitted a no shipment letter certification. In response to the non-shipment claims of Grupo Simec and Arcelor Mittal, the Department issued a no-shipment inquiry to U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) requesting that it review Grupo Simec's and Arcelor Mittal's no-shipment claims. CBP did not report that it had any information to contradict these claims of no shipments during the POR.

Given that Grupo Simec and Arcelor Mittal certified that they made no shipments of subject merchandise to the United States during the POR, and there is no information calling their claims into question, we preliminarily determine that Grupo Simec and Arcelor Mittal did not have any reviewable transactions during the POR. Consistent with the Department's practice, we will not rescind the review with respect to Grupo Simec and Arcelor Mittal but, rather, will complete the review and issue instructions to CBP based on the final results.<sup>6</sup>

### Methodology

The Department is conducting this review in accordance with section 751(a)(1) and (2) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act). Constructed export price or export price is calculated in accordance with section 772 of the Act. Normal value is calculated in accordance with section 773 of the Act. For a full description of the methodology underlying our preliminary results, see the Preliminary Decision Memorandum dated concurrently with this notice and hereby adopted by this notice. The

Mexico; 2015–2016,” dated concurrently with, and hereby adopted by this notice (Preliminary Decision Memorandum).

<sup>6</sup> See, e.g., *Certain Frozen Warmwater Shrimp from Thailand; Preliminary Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review, Partial Rescission of Review, Preliminary Determination of No Shipments; 2012–2013*, 79 FR 15951, 15952 (March 24, 2014), unchanged in *Certain Frozen Warmwater Shrimp from Thailand: Final Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review, Final Determination of No Shipments, and Partial Rescission of Review; 2012–2013*, 79 FR 51306, 51307 (August 28, 2014).

Preliminary Decision Memorandum is a public document and is on file electronically via Enforcement and Compliance's Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Centralized Electronic Service System (ACCESS). ACCESS is available to registered users at <https://access.trade.gov> and is available to all parties in the Central Records Unit, Room B8024 of the main Department of Commerce building. In addition, a complete version of the Preliminary Decision Memorandum can be accessed directly on the internet at <http://enforcement.trade.gov/frn/index.html>. The signed Preliminary Decision Memorandum and the electronic version of the Preliminary Decision Memorandum are identical in content.

### Preliminary Results of the Review

As a result of this review, we preliminarily calculated a dumping margin of zero percent for Deacero. We are applying to the non-selected companies the rates calculated for the mandatory respondent in these preliminary results, as referenced below.<sup>7</sup>

Producer and/or exporter	Weighted-average dumping margin (percent)
Deacero .....	0.00
Industrias CH .....	0.00
Ternium Mexico, S.A. de C.V	0.00
Cia Siderurgica De California, S.A. de C.V .....	0.00
Grupo Acerero S.A. de C.V ..	0.00
AcerMex S.A .....	0.00
Siderurgica Tultitlan S.A. de C.V .....	0.00
Talleres y Aceros, S.A. de C.V .....	0.00
Grupo Villacero S.A. de C.V	0.00

### Assessment Rate

Upon issuance of the final results, the Department shall determine, and U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) shall assess, antidumping duties on all appropriate entries covered by this review.<sup>8</sup> If the weighted-average dumping margin for Deacero is not zero or *de minimis* (i.e., less than 0.5 percent), we will calculate importer-specific *ad valorem* antidumping duty assessment rates based on the ratio of the total amount of dumping calculated for the importer's examined sales to the total entered value of those same sales in accordance with 19 CFR 351.212(b)(1). We will instruct CBP to

<sup>7</sup> See *Albemarle Corp. & Subsidiaries v. United States*, 821 F.3d 1345 (Fed. Cir. 2016).

<sup>8</sup> See 19 CFR 351.212(b).

assess antidumping duties on all appropriate entries covered by this review when the importer-specific assessment rate calculated in the final results of this review is not zero or *de minimis*. Where either the respondent's weighted-average dumping margin is zero or *de minimis*, or an importer-specific assessment rate is zero or *de minimis*, we will instruct CBP to liquidate the appropriate entries without regard to antidumping duties.<sup>9</sup> The final results of this review shall be the basis for the assessment of antidumping duties on entries of merchandise covered by the final results of this review where applicable.

In accordance with the Department's "automatic assessment" practice, for entries of subject merchandise during the POR produced by each respondent for which they did not know that their merchandise was destined for the United States, we will instruct CBP to liquidate unreviewed entries at the all-others rate if there is no rate for the intermediate company(ies) involved in the transaction. We intend to issue instructions to CBP 15 days after publication of the final results of this review.

### Cash Deposit Requirements

The following cash deposit requirements will be effective upon publication of the notice of final results of administrative review for all shipments of subject merchandise entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after the publication of the final results of this administrative review, as provided by section 751(a)(2)(C) of the Act: (1) The cash deposit rate for respondents noted above will be zero; (2) for merchandise exported by producers or exporters not covered in this administrative review but covered in a prior segment of the proceeding, the cash deposit rate will continue to be the company-specific rate published for the most recently completed segment of this proceeding; (3) if the exporter is not a firm covered in this review, a prior review, or the original investigation, but the producer is, the cash deposit rate will be the rate established for the most recently completed segment of this proceeding for the producer of the subject merchandise; and (4) the cash deposit rate for all other producers or exporters will continue to be 20.58 percent, the all-others rate established in the

<sup>9</sup> See *Antidumping Proceedings: Calculation of the Weighted-Average Dumping Margin and Assessment Rate in Certain Antidumping Duty Proceedings: Final Modification*, 77 FR 8101, 8103 (February 14, 2012); 19 CFR 351.106(c)(2).

antidumping investigation.<sup>10</sup> These cash deposit requirements, when imposed, shall remain in effect until further notice.

#### Disclosure and Public Comment

The Department will disclose to parties to this proceeding the calculations performed in reaching the preliminary results within five days of the date of publication of these preliminary results.<sup>11</sup> Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.309(c), interested parties may submit cases briefs not later than 30 days after the date of publication of this notice. Rebuttal briefs, limited to issues raised in the case briefs, may be filed not later than five days after the date for filing case briefs.<sup>12</sup> Parties who submit comments are requested to submit: (1) A statement of the issue; (2) a brief summary of the argument; and (3) a table of authorities.<sup>13</sup> All briefs must be filed electronically using ACCESS. An electronically filed document must be received successfully in its entirety by the Department's electronic records system, ACCESS.

Interested parties who wish to request a hearing must submit a written request to the Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance, U.S. Department of Commerce, using Enforcement and Compliance's ACCESS system, and an electronically filed request must be received successfully in its entirety by ACCESS by 5:00 p.m. Eastern Standard Time, within 30 days of publication of this notice.<sup>14</sup> Requests should contain the party's name, address, and telephone number, the number of participants, and a list of the issues to be discussed. If a request for a hearing is made, we will inform parties of the scheduled date for the hearing which will be held at the U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20230, at a time and location to be determined.<sup>15</sup> Parties should confirm by telephone the date, time, and location of the hearing two days before the scheduled date.

Unless the deadline is extended pursuant to section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act and 19 CFR 213(h)(2), the Department will issue the final results of this administrative review, including the results of our analysis of the issues

raised by the parties in their case briefs, within 120 days after issuance of these preliminary results.<sup>16</sup>

#### Notification to Importers

This notice serves as a preliminary reminder to importers of their responsibility under 19 CFR 351.402(f)(2) 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 increase the subsequent assessment of the antidumping duties by the amount of antidumping duties reimbursed.

#### Notification to Interested Parties

These preliminary results of review are issued and published in accordance with sections 751(a)(1) and 777(i)(1) of the Act, and 19 CFR 351.221(b)(4).

Dated: November 30, 2017.

**Gary Taverman,**

*Deputy Assistant Secretary for Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Operations, performing the non-exclusive functions and duties of the Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance.*

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<sup>16</sup> See section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.213(h).

## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### International Trade Administration

[A-580-809]

#### Circular Welded Non-Alloy Steel Pipe From the Republic of Korea: Preliminary Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review; 2015-2016

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

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Commerce (the Department) is conducting an administrative review of the antidumping duty order on circular welded non-alloy steel pipe (CWP) from the Republic of Korea (Korea). The period of review (POR) is November 1, 2015, through October 31, 2016. The Department preliminarily determines that the producers/exporters subject to this review made sales of subject merchandise at less than normal value. We invite interested parties to comment on these preliminary results.

**DATES:** Applicable December 6, 2017.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Andre Gziryan or Thomas Schauer, AD/CVD Operations, Office I, Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington DC 20230; telephone (202) 482-2201 or (202) 482-0410, respectively.

#### Scope of the Order

The merchandise subject to the order is circular welded non-alloy steel pipe and tube. Imports of the product are currently classifiable in the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS) under subheadings 7306.30.1000, 7306.30.5025, 7306.30.5032, 7306.30.5040, 7306.30.5055, 7306.30.5085, and 7306.30.5090. While the HTSUS subheadings are provided for convenience and customs purposes, the written description is dispositive. A full description of the scope of the order is contained in the Preliminary Decision Memorandum.<sup>1</sup>

#### Methodology

The Department conducted this review in accordance with section 751 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act). Constructed export price is

<sup>1</sup> For a full description of the scope of the order, see Memorandum, "Decision Memorandum for the Preliminary Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review: Circular Welded Non-Alloy Steel Pipe from the Republic of Korea: 2015-2016," dated concurrently with, and hereby adopted by this notice (Preliminary Decision Memorandum).

<sup>10</sup> See *Steel Concrete Reinforcing Bar from Mexico: Final Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value and Final Affirmative Determination of Critical Circumstances*, 79 FR 54967 (September 15, 2014).

<sup>11</sup> See 19 CFR 351.224(b).

<sup>12</sup> See 19 CFR 351.309(d).

<sup>13</sup> See 19 CFR 351.309(c)(2) and (d)(2).

<sup>14</sup> See 19 CFR 351.310(c).

<sup>15</sup> See 19 CFR 351.310.