

with sections 751(a)(1) and 777(i)(1) of the Act, and 19 CFR 351.213(h)(1) and 351.221(b)(4).

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

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Certain Freight Rail Couplers and Parts Thereof From Mexico: Postponement of Preliminary Determination in the Less-Than-Fair-Value Investigation

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

DATES: Applicable February 16, 2023.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On October 18, 2022, the U.S. Department of Commerce (Commerce) initiated a less-than-fair-value (LTFV) investigation of imports of certain freight rail couplers and parts thereof (freight rail couplers) from Mexico.¹ Currently, the preliminary determination is due no later than March 7, 2023.

Postponement of Preliminary Determination

Section 733(b)(1)(A) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act) requires Commerce to issue the preliminary determination in a LTFV investigation within 140 days after the date on which Commerce initiated the investigation. However, if Commerce concludes that the parties concerned in the investigation are cooperating and determines that the investigation is extraordinarily complicated, sections 733(c)(1)(B)(i) and (ii) of the Act allow Commerce to postpone the preliminary determination until no later than 190

days after the date on which Commerce initiated the investigation.

Commerce has determined that the parties involved in the proceeding are cooperating and that the investigation is extraordinarily complicated.² Specifically, Commerce requires additional time to analyze the questionnaire responses and issue appropriate requests for clarification and additional information, particularly regarding the question of whether the respondent Amsted Rail Company, Inc. and its affiliate, ASF-K de Mexico S. de R.L. de C.V., have a viable home market. Therefore, in accordance with section 733(c)(1)(B) of the Act, Commerce is postponing the due date for the preliminary determination of this investigation by 50 days. As a result, Commerce will issue its preliminary determination no later than April 26, 2023. Pursuant to section 735(a)(1) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.210(b)(1), the deadline for the final determination will continue to be 75 days after the date of the preliminary determination, unless postponed at a later date.

This notice is issued and published pursuant to section 733(c)(2) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.205(f)(1).

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Institute of Standards and Technology

Manufacturing Extension Partnership Advisory Board

AGENCY: National Institute of Standards and Technology, Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: The National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) announces that the Manufacturing Extension Partnership (MEP) Advisory Board will hold an open meeting on Tuesday, March 7–Wednesday, March 8, 2023.

DATES: The meeting will be held for two half days on Tuesday, March 7, 2023 from 1 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. and Wednesday, March 8, 2023, from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. Eastern time.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held in person and via webinar from the Information Technology and Innovation Foundation (ITIF), 700 K St NW, Suite

600, Washington, DC 20001. Please note admittance instructions in the

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION section below. Interested parties should be sure to check the NIST MEP Advisory Board website for the most up-to-date information at <http://www.nist.gov/mep/about/advisory-board.cfm>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The MEP Advisory Board is authorized under 15 U.S.C 278k(m), in accordance with the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), as amended, 5 U.S.C. App. The Hollings Manufacturing Extension Partnership Program (Program) is a unique program consisting of Centers in all 50 states and Puerto Rico with partnerships at the federal, state and local levels. By statute, the MEP Advisory Board provides the NIST Director with: (1) advice on the activities, plans and policies of the Program; (2) assessments of the soundness of the plans and strategies of the Program; and (3) assessments of current performance against the plans of the Program.

Background information on the MEP Advisory Board is available at <http://www.nist.gov/mep/about/advisory-board.cfm>.

Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended, 5 U.S.C. App., notice is hereby given that the MEP Advisory Board will hold an open meeting for two half days on Tuesday, March 7, 2023 from 1:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. and Wednesday, March 8, 2023, from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. Eastern time. The meeting agenda will include an update on the MEP programmatic operations, as well as provide guidance and advice on current activities related to the current MEP National Network™ 2023–2027 Strategic Plan. The agenda may change to accommodate Board business. The final agenda will be posted on the MEP Advisory Board website at <http://www.nist.gov/mep/about/advisory-board.cfm>.

Individuals and representatives of organizations who would like to offer comments and suggestions related to the MEP Advisory Board's business are invited to request a place on the agenda. Approximately 20 minutes will be reserved for public comments at the end of the meeting. Speaking times will be assigned on a first-come, first-served

¹ See *Certain Freight Rail Couplers and Parts Thereof from the People's Republic of China and Mexico: Initiation of Less-Than-Fair-Value Investigations*, 87 FR 64444 October 25, 2022).

² See section 733(c)(1)(B) of the Act.