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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### International Trade Administration

[A-570-020]

#### Melamine From the People's Republic of China: Final Results of the Expedited Sunset Review of the Antidumping Duty Order

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

**SUMMARY:** As a result of this expedited sunset review, the Department of Commerce (Commerce) finds that revocation of the antidumping duty (AD) order on melamine from the People's Republic of China (China) would be likely to lead to continuation or recurrence of dumping at the levels indicated in the "Final Results of Review" section of this notice.

**DATES:** Applicable March 9, 2021.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Peter Zukowski, 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) 482-0189.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### Background

On December 28, 2015, Commerce issued the AD order on melamine from China.<sup>1</sup> On November 3, 2020, Commerce published the *Notice of Initiation* of the first sunset review of the *Order* pursuant to section 751(c) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act).<sup>2</sup> On November 10, 2020, Commerce received a notice of intent to participate from Cornerstone Chemical Company (Cornerstone), a domestic producer of melamine and the petitioner in the underlying investigation, within the deadline specified in 19 CFR 351.218(d)(1)(i).<sup>3</sup> Cornerstone claimed

domestic interested party status under section 771(9)(C) of the Act, as a manufacturer of a domestic like product in the United States.<sup>4</sup> On November 25, 2020, Cornerstone filed its timely substantive response within the 30-day deadline specified in 19 CFR 351.218(d)(3)(i).<sup>5</sup> Commerce received no substantive responses from any other interested parties with respect to the *Order* covered by this sunset review, nor was a hearing requested. On December 23, 2020, Commerce notified the U.S. International Trade Commission that it did not receive an adequate substantive response from respondent interested parties.<sup>6</sup> As a result, pursuant to section 751(c)(3)(B) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.218(e)(1)(ii)(C)(2), Commerce is conducting an expedited (120-day) sunset review of the *Order*.

#### Scope of the Order

The scope of the *Order* covers melamine (Chemical Abstracts Service (CAS) registry number 108-78-01, molecular formula C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>6</sub>N<sub>6</sub>).<sup>7</sup> Melamine is a crystalline powder or granule typically (but not exclusively) used to manufacture melamine formaldehyde resins. All melamine is covered by the scope of the *Order* irrespective of purity, particle size, or physical form. Melamine that has been blended with other products is included within this scope when such blends include constituent parts that have been intermingled, but that have not been chemically reacted with each other to produce a different product. For such blends, only the melamine component of the mixture is covered by the scope of the *Order*. Melamine that is otherwise subject to the *Order* is not excluded when commingled with melamine from sources not subject to the *Order*. Only the subject component of such commingled products is covered by the scope of the *Order*.

The subject merchandise is provided for in subheading 2933.61.0000 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS). Although the HTSUS subheading and CAS registry number are provided for convenience

Interested Party Notice Of Intent To Participate," dated November 10, 2020.

<sup>4</sup> *Id.*

<sup>5</sup> See Cornerstone's Letter, "Five-Year ("Sunset") Review Of Antidumping Duty Order On Melamine from The People's Republic Of China: Domestic Interested Party Substantive Response," dated November 25, 2020.

<sup>6</sup> See Commerce's Letter, "Sunset Reviews for November 2020," dated December 23, 2020.

<sup>7</sup> Melamine is also known as 2,4,6-triamino-1,3,5-triazine; 1,3,5-Triazine-2,4,6-triamine; Cyanurotriamide; Cyanurotriamine; Cyanuramide; and by various brand names.

and customs purposes, the written description of the scope is dispositive.

#### Analysis of Comments Received

All issues raised in this review are addressed in the Issues and Decision Memorandum.<sup>8</sup> The issues discussed in the Issues and Decision Memorandum include the likelihood of continuation or recurrence of dumping and the magnitude of the margins of dumping likely to prevail if the *Order* were revoked. The Issues and 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>. A list of topics discussed in the Issues and Decision Memorandum is included as an Appendix to this notice. In addition, a complete version of the Issues and Decision Memorandum can be accessed directly at <http://enforcement.trade.gov/frn/index.html>. The signed and electronic versions of the Issues and Decision Memorandum are identical in content.

#### Final Results of Review

Pursuant to sections 751(c)(1) and 752(c)(1) and (3) of the Act, Commerce determines that revocation of the *Order* would be likely to lead to continuation or recurrence of dumping, and that the magnitude of the dumping margins likely to prevail would be weighted-average margins of up to 363.31 percent.

#### Administrative Protective Order

This notice serves as the only reminder to parties subject to administrative protective order (APO) of their responsibility concerning the destruction of proprietary information disclosed under APO in accordance with 19 CFR 351.305(a). Timely notification of the destruction of APO materials or conversion to judicial protective orders is hereby requested. Failure to comply with the regulations and terms of an APO is a violation which is subject to sanction.

#### Notifications to Interested Parties

We are issuing and publishing these final results in accordance with sections 751(c), 752(c), and 777(i)(1) of the Act, and 19 CFR 351.221(c)(5)(ii).

<sup>8</sup> See Memorandum, "Issues and Decision Memorandum for the Expedited Sunset Review of the Antidumping Duty Order on Melamine from the People's Republic of China," dated concurrently with, and hereby adopted by, this notice.

<sup>1</sup> See *Melamine from the People's Republic of China: Antidumping Duty and Countervailing Duty Orders*, 80 FR 80751 (December 28, 2015) (*Order*).

<sup>2</sup> See *Initiation of Five-Year (Sunset) Reviews*, 85 FR 69585 (November 3, 2020) (*Notice of Initiation*).

<sup>3</sup> See Cornerstone's Letter, "Five-Year ("Sunset") Review Of Antidumping Duty Order On Melamine from The People's Republic Of China: Domestic

Dated: March 2, 2021.

**Christian Marsh,**

*Acting Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance.*

## Appendix

### List of Topics Discussed in the Issues and Decision Memorandum

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- II. Background
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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### Patent and Trademark Office

#### Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for Review and Approval; National Summer Teacher Institute

**AGENCY:** United States Patent and Trademark Office, Department of Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice of information collection; request for comment.

**SUMMARY:** The United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO), in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, invites comments on the extension and revision of an existing information collection: 0651-0077 (National Summer Teacher Institute). The purpose of this notice is to allow 60 days for public comment preceding submission of the information collection to OMB.

**DATES:** To ensure consideration, comments regarding this information collection must be received on or before May 10, 2021.

**ADDRESSES:** Interested persons are invited to submit written comments by any of the following methods. Do not submit Confidential Business Information or otherwise sensitive or protected information:

- *Email:* [InformationCollection@uspto.gov](mailto:InformationCollection@uspto.gov). Include "0651-0077 comment" in the subject line of the message.

- *Federal Rulemaking Portal:* <http://www.regulations.gov>.

- *Mail:* Kimberly Hardy, Office of the Chief Administrative Officer, United States Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Requests for additional information should be directed to Joyce Ward, Education Director, Office of the Chief Communications, United States Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450; by telephone at 571-272-8424; or by email to [Joyce.Ward@uspto.gov](mailto:Joyce.Ward@uspto.gov) with "0651-0077 comment" in the subject line. Additional information about this information collection is also available at <http://www.reginfo.gov> under "Information Collection Review."

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### I. Abstract

Since 2014, the USPTO has conducted a program entitled "National Summer Teacher Institute on Innovation, STEM, and Intellectual Property." The National Summer Teacher Institute (NSTI) is a multi-day professional development training opportunity open to all K-12 teachers nationwide. NSTI is designed to increase teachers' knowledge of making, inventing, creating, and protecting intellectual property so they can inspire the next generation of innovators and entrepreneurs. This program accepts applications for participation in the NSTI. Interested individuals must submit an application requesting to participate in the program. In the application, applicants must certify that they are teachers with at least 3 years' experience; identify STEM related fields they have taught in the last year; identify STEM related fields they plan to teach in the upcoming year; and acknowledge their commitment to incorporate the learnings from the NSTI into their curriculum, where applicable, and cooperate with sharing lessons and outcomes with teachers and the USPTO.

The NSTI participants have included teachers in STEM, innovation, entrepreneurship, and related fields who will learn about innovative strategies to help increase student learning and achievement in these fields together with elements of Intellectual Property (IP) and invention education. Outside scientists, engineers, inventors, creators, and entrepreneurs are among

the presenters and workshop leads. Attendees participate in field trips (e.g. to NASA, Energy, National Labs) and have opportunities for networking with other educators and invited experts.

The USPTO also conducts webinars and workshops for K-12 educators in conjunction with or subsequent to the NSTI to provide information on IP, invention, and STEM topics of interest to K-12 educators. In light of the pandemic, the NSTI and some of the workshops may take place in virtual environments. Workshops will be available for educators with less than 3 years of experience, pre-service teachers, higher education faculty, home school, and informal educators. USPTO plans to conduct surveys on the NSTI, workshops, and the webinars in order to gain useful feedback from program participants.

##### II. Method of Collection

Items in this information collection are submitted via online electronic submissions.

##### III. Data

*OMB Control Number:* 0651-0077.

*Form Numbers:* (NSTI = National Summer Teacher Institute)

- NSTI 1 (Summer Teacher Institute Application)
- NSTI 2 (Summer Teacher Institute Participant Survey)
- NSTI 3 (Summer Teacher Institute Webinar/Workshop Survey)

*Type of Review:* Extension and revision of a currently approved information collection.

*Affected Public:* Individuals or households.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 7,000 respondents per year.

*Estimated Number of Responses:* 13,700 responses per year.

*Estimated Time per Response:* The USPTO estimates that it takes the public from approximately 5 minutes (0.08 hours) to 30 minutes (0.5 hours), depending on the complexity of the situation, to gather the necessary information, prepare the appropriate documents, and submit the information to the USPTO.

*Estimated Total Annual Respondent Burden Hours:* 2,999 hours.

*Estimated Total Annual Respondent (Hourly) Cost Burden:* \$116,032.