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### Agenda

- I. Welcome and Roll Call
- II. Approval of Minutes
- III. Discussion: Draft Report
- IV. Next Steps
- V. Public Comment
- VI. Adjournment

Dated: May 1, 2025.

**David Mussatt,**

*Supervisory Chief, Regional Programs Unit.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### International Trade Administration

[C-570-017]

#### **Certain Passenger Vehicle and Light Truck Tires From the People's Republic of China: Preliminary Results and Partial Rescission of Countervailing Duty Administrative Review; 2023**

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

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Department of Commerce (Commerce) preliminarily finds that countervailable subsidies were provided to a producer and exporter of certain passenger vehicles and light truck tires (PVLt) from the People's Republic of China (China) during the period of review (POR), January 1, 2023, through December 31, 2023. In addition, Commerce is rescinding this review, in part, with respect to the nine companies listed in Appendix II of this notice. Interested parties are invited to comment on these preliminary results.

**DATES:** Applicable May 6, 2025.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ted Pearson, 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) 482-2631.

### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

#### Background

On August 10, 2015, Commerce published in the **Federal Register** the countervailing duty (CVD) order on

PVLts from China.<sup>1</sup> On August 1, 2024, Commerce initiated this administrative review of the *Order*.<sup>2</sup> On December 9, 2024, Commerce tolled certain deadlines in this administrative proceeding by 90 days.<sup>3</sup> The current deadline for the preliminary results in this administrative review is August 1, 2025.

On January 31, 2024, Commerce selected Jiangsu General Science Technology Co., Ltd. (General Science) for individual examination as the mandatory respondent in this review. On January 17, 2025, Commerce received a letter of intent to not participate in the review by General Science.<sup>4</sup> We received no response from the Government of China to the Initial Questionnaire.<sup>5</sup> Because all review requests were rescinded for the remaining companies, Commerce did not select additional mandatory respondents.

For a complete description of the events that followed the initiation of this investigation, *see* the Preliminary Decision Memorandum.<sup>6</sup> A list of topics discussed in the Preliminary Decision Memorandum is included as Appendix I to this notice. The 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 <http://access.trade.gov>. In addition, a complete version of the Preliminary Decision Memorandum can be accessed directly at <https://access.trade.gov/public/FRNoticesListLayout.aspx>.

#### Scope of the Order

The merchandise covered by the *Order* is PVLts from China. For a

<sup>1</sup> *See Certain Passenger Vehicle and Light Truck Tires from the People's Republic of China: Amended Final Affirmative Antidumping Duty Determination and Antidumping Duty Order; and Amended Final Affirmative Countervailing Duty Determination and Countervailing Duty Order*, 80 FR 47902 (August 10, 2015) (*Order*).

<sup>2</sup> *See Initiation of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Administrative Reviews*, 89 FR 62714 (August 1, 2024).

<sup>3</sup> *See* Memorandum, "Extension of Deadline for Preliminary Results of Countervailing Duty Administrative Review," dated December 9, 2024.

<sup>4</sup> *See* General Science's Letter, "Intent Not to Respond as a Mandatory Respondent," dated January 17, 2025.

<sup>5</sup> *See* Commerce's Letter, "Initial Questionnaire," dated February 10, 2025 (Initial Questionnaire).

<sup>6</sup> *See* Memorandum, "Decision Memorandum for the Preliminary Results and Partial Rescission of the 2023 Countervailing Duty Administrative Review: Certain Passenger Vehicle and Light Truck Tires from the People's Republic of China," dated concurrently with, and hereby adopted by, this notice (Preliminary Decision Memorandum).

complete description of the scope of the *Order*, *see* the Preliminary Decision Memorandum.<sup>7</sup>

#### Methodology

Commerce is conducting this administrative review in accordance with section 751(a)(1)(A) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act). For each of the subsidy programs found to be countervailable, Commerce preliminarily determines that there is a subsidy (*i.e.*, a financial contribution by an "authority" that gives rise to a benefit to the recipient, and that the subsidy is specific).<sup>8</sup> For a full description of the methodology underlying our conclusions, including our reliance on adverse facts available (AFA) pursuant to sections 776(a) and (b) of the Act, *see* the Preliminary Decision Memorandum.

#### Partial Rescission of Administrative Review

Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.213(d)(1), Commerce will rescind an administrative review, in whole or in part, if the parties that requested a review withdraw the request within 90 days of the date of publication of the notice of initiation. Commerce received timely-filed withdrawal requests with respect to nine companies, pursuant to 19 CFR 351.213(d)(1).<sup>9</sup> Because the withdrawal requests were timely filed, and no other parties requested a review of these companies, in accordance with 19 CFR 351.213(d)(1), Commerce is rescinding this review of the *Order* with respect to these nine companies listed in Appendix II of this notice. For additional information regarding this determination, *see* the Preliminary Decision Memorandum.<sup>10</sup>

#### Preliminary Results of Review

Commerce preliminarily determines that the following net countervailable subsidy rates exist for the period January 1, 2023, through December 31, 2023:

Company	Subsidy rate (percent <i>ad valorem</i> )
Jiangsu General Science Technology Co., Ltd .....	125.50

<sup>7</sup> *Id.*

<sup>8</sup> *See* sections 771(5)(B) and (D) of the Act regarding financial contribution; section 771(5)(E) of the Act regarding benefit; and section 771(5A) of the Act regarding specificity.

<sup>9</sup> *See* Preliminary Decision Memorandum.

<sup>10</sup> *Id.*

## Cash Deposit Requirements

In accordance with section 751(a)(2)(C) of the Act, Commerce also intends upon publication of the final results, to instruct CBP to collect cash deposits of the estimated countervailing duties in the amounts calculated in the final results of this review for the respective companies listed above with regard to shipments of subject merchandise entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after the date of publication of the final results of this review. If the rate calculated in the final results is zero or *de minimis*, no cash deposit will be required on shipments of the subject merchandise entered or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after the date of publication of the final results of this review.

For all non-reviewed firms, CBP will continue to collect cash deposits of estimated countervailing duties at the all-others rate or the most recent company-specific rate applicable to the company, as appropriate. These cash deposit requirements, when imposed, shall remain in effect until further notice.

## Assessment Rates

In accordance with section 751(a)(2)(C) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.221(b)(4)(i), we preliminarily determined subsidy rates in the amounts shown above for the producers/exporters shown above. Upon completion of the administrative review, consistent with section 751(a)(1) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.212(b)(2), Commerce shall determine, and CBP shall assess, countervailing duties on all appropriate entries covered by this review.

For the companies for which this review is rescinded with these preliminary results, we will instruct CBP to assess countervailing duties on all appropriate entries at a rate equal to the cash deposit of estimated countervailing duties required at the time of entry, or withdrawal from warehouse, for consumption, during the period January 1, 2023, through December 31, 2023, in accordance with 19 CFR 351.212(c)(1)(i). For the companies remaining in the review, we intend to issue assessment instructions to CBP no earlier than 35 days after the date of publication of the final results of this review in the **Federal Register**. If a timely summons is filed at the U.S. Court of International Trade, the assessment instructions will direct CBP not to liquidate relevant entries until the time for parties to file a request for a

statutory injunction has expired (*i.e.*, within 90 days of publication).

## Disclosure and Public Comment

Normally, Commerce discloses its calculations and analysis performed in connection with the preliminary results to interested parties within five days of its public announcement, or if there is no public announcement, within five days of the date of publication of this notice, in accordance with 19 CFR 351.224(b). However, because Commerce preliminarily applied total AFA in the calculation of the benefit for General Science, and the AFA rates are based on rates calculated in prior segments of the proceeding, there are no calculations to disclose.

Interested Parties are invited to comment on these preliminary results. Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.309(c)(1)(ii), we have modified the deadline for interested parties to submit case briefs to Commerce to no later than 21 days after the date of the 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>11</sup> Interested parties who submit case or rebuttal briefs in this proceeding must submit: (1) a table of contents listing each issue; and (2) a table of authorities.<sup>12</sup>

As provided under 19 CFR 351.309(c)(2) and (d)(2), in prior proceedings we have encouraged interested parties to provide a public executive summary of their brief that should be limited to five pages total, including footnotes. In this review, we instead request that interested parties provide at the beginning of their briefs a public executive summary for each issue raised in their briefs.<sup>13</sup> Further, we request that interested parties limit their public executive summary of each issue to no more than 450 words, not including citations. We intend to use the public executive summaries as the basis of the comment summaries included in the issues and decision memorandum that will accompany the final results in this administrative review. We request that interested parties include footnotes for relevant citations in the public executive summary of each issue. Note that Commerce has amended certain of its

<sup>11</sup> See 19 CFR 351.309(d); see also *Administrative Protective Order, Service, and Other Procedures in Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Proceedings*, 88 FR 67069, 67077 (September 29, 2023) (*APO and Service Final Rule*).

<sup>12</sup> See 19 CFR 351.309(c)(2) and (d)(2).

<sup>13</sup> We use the term “issue” here to describe an argument that Commerce would normally address in a comment of the Issues and Decision Memorandum.

requirements pertaining to the service of documents in 19 CFR 351.303(f).<sup>14</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. 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.<sup>15</sup> An electronically-filed hearing request must be received successfully in its entirety by Commerce’s electronic records system, ACCESS, by 5 p.m. Eastern Time within 30 days after the date of publication of this notice.

## Final Results of Review

Unless extended, we intend to issue the final results of this administrative review, which will include the results of our analysis of the issues raised in the case briefs, within 120 days of publication of these preliminary results in the **Federal Register**, pursuant to section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.213(h)(1).

## Notification to Interested Parties

These preliminary results and notice are issued and published in accordance with sections 751(a)(1) and 777(i)(1) of the Act, and 19 CFR 351.213 and 351.221(b)(4).

Dated: April 29, 2025.

**Christopher Abbott,**

*Deputy Assistant Secretary for Policy and Negotiations, performing the non-exclusive functions and duties of the Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance.*

## Appendix I

### List of Topics Discussed in the Preliminary Decision Memorandum

- I. Summary
- II. Background
- III. Scope of the Order
- IV. Partial Rescission of Administrative Review
- V. Diversification of China’s Economy
- VI. Use of Facts Otherwise Available and Application of Adverse Inferences
- VII. Recommendation

## Appendix II

### Companies To Be Rescinded

1. Qingdao Fullrun Tyre Corp., Ltd.
2. Qingdao Keter International Co., Limited.
3. Qingdao Lakesea Tyre Co., Ltd.
4. Sailun Group Co., Ltd.
5. Sailun Group (Hong Kong) Co., Ltd.
6. Shandong Haohua Tire Co., Ltd.

<sup>14</sup> See *APO and Service Final Rule*.

<sup>15</sup> See 19 CFR 351.310(c).

7. Sumitomo Rubber (Changshu) Co. Ltd.;  
Sumitomo Rubber (China) Co., Ltd.;  
Sumitomo Rubber (Hunan) Co., Ltd.  
8. Sumitomo Rubber Industries, Ltd.  
9. Zhaoqing Junhong Co., Ltd.

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### International Trade Administration

[A–533–932]

#### Hexamethylenetetramine From India: Preliminary Affirmative Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value, Postponement of Final Determination and Extension of Provisional Measures

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

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Department of Commerce (Commerce) preliminarily determines that Hexamethylenetetramine (hexamine) from India is being, or is likely to be, sold in the United States at less than fair value (LTFV). The period of investigation (POI) is July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2024. Interested parties are invited to comment on this preliminary determination.

**DATES:** Applicable May 6, 2025.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Dylan Hill, AD/CVD Operations, Office IV, Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482–1197.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

#### Background

This preliminary determination is made in accordance with section 733(b) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act). Commerce published the notice of initiation of this investigation

on November 4, 2024.<sup>1</sup> On February 21, 2025, Commerce postponed the preliminary determination of this investigation until April 29, 2025.<sup>2</sup> For a complete description of the events that followed the initiation of this investigation, *see* the Preliminary Decision Memorandum.<sup>3</sup> A list of topics included in the Preliminary Decision Memorandum is included as Appendix II to this notice. The 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>. In addition, a complete version of the Preliminary Decision Memorandum can be accessed directly at <https://access.trade.gov/public/FRNoticesListLayout.aspx>.

#### Scope of the Investigation

The product covered by this investigation is hexamine from India. For a complete description of the scope of this investigation, *see* Appendix I.

#### Scope Comments

In accordance with the *Preamble* to Commerce's regulations,<sup>4</sup> in the *Initiation Notice*, Commerce set aside a period of time for parties to raise issues regarding product coverage (*i.e.*, scope).<sup>5</sup> No interested parties commented on the scope of the investigation as it appeared in the *Initiation Notice*. Therefore, Commerce is not preliminarily modifying the scope language as it appeared in the *Initiation Notice*. *See* the scope in Appendix I to this notice.

#### Methodology

Commerce is conducting this investigation in accordance with section 731 of the Act. Commerce has calculated export prices in accordance with section 772(a) of the Act. Normal

value is calculated in accordance with section 773 of the Act. In addition, pursuant to section 776(a) and (b) of the Act, Commerce has preliminarily relied upon facts otherwise available, with adverse inferences for Horizon Chemicals, Micro Labs Limited, Shreenathji Rasayan Private Limited, and Rajsha Chemicals Pvt. Ltd. For a full description of the methodology underlying the preliminary determination, *see* the Preliminary Decision Memorandum.

#### All-Others Rate

Sections 733(d)(1)(A)(ii) and 735(c)(5)(A) of the Act provide that in the preliminary determination Commerce shall determine an estimated all-others rate for all exporters and producers not individually examined. This rate shall be an amount equal to the weighted average of the estimated weighted-average dumping margins established for exporters and producers individually investigated, excluding any zero and *de minimis* margins, and any margins determined entirely under section 776 of the Act.

Commerce calculated an individual estimated weighted-average dumping margin for Kanoria Chemicals and Industries Limited (Kanoria), the only individually examined exporter/producer in this investigation. Because the only individually calculated dumping margin is not zero, *de minimis*, or based entirely on facts otherwise available, the estimated weighted-average dumping margin calculated for Kanoria is the margin assigned to all other producers and exporters, pursuant to section 735(c)(5)(A) of the Act.

#### Preliminary Determination

Commerce preliminarily determines that the following estimated weighted-average dumping margins exist:

Exporter/producer	Weighted-average dumping margin (percent)	Cash deposit rate (adjusted for subsidy offset(s)) (percent)
Kanoria Chemicals and Industries Limited .....	3.28	<sup>6</sup> 1.31
Horizon Chemicals .....	* 105.76	103.79
Micro Labs Limited .....	* 105.76	103.79
Shreenathji Rasayan Private Limited .....	* 105.76	103.79

<sup>1</sup> *See Hexamethylenetetramine from the People's Republic of China, Germany, India, and Saudi Arabia: Initiation of Less-Than-Fair-Value Investigations*, 89 FR 87545 (November 4, 2024) (*Initiation Notice*).

<sup>2</sup> *See Hexamethylenetetramine from People's Republic of China, Germany, India, and Saudi Arabia: Postponement of Preliminary Determinations in the Less-Than-Fair-Value Investigations*, 90 FR 10067 (February 21, 2025).

<sup>3</sup> *See* Memorandum, "Decision Memorandum for the Preliminary Determination in the Less-Than-Fair-Value Investigation of Hexamethylenetetramine from India," dated concurrently with, and hereby adopted by, this notice (Preliminary Decision Memorandum).

<sup>4</sup> *See Antidumping Duties; Countervailing Duties, Final Rule*, 62 FR 27296, 27323 (May 19, 1997).

<sup>5</sup> *See Initiation Notice*.

<sup>6</sup> Adjusted for export subsidies of 1.97 percent (comprised of 1.17 percent for the duty drawback program and 0.80 percent for the remissions of duties and taxes on export products program) for Kanoria and All Others. *See Hexamethylenetetramine from India: Preliminary Affirmative Countervailing Duty Determination and Alignment of Final Determination With Final Antidumping Duty Determination*, 90 FR 11512 (March 7, 2025), and accompanying Preliminary Decision Memorandum.