deadlines for filing case briefs, rebuttal briefs, and hearing requests, *see* the Preliminary Decision Memorandum.

This determination is issued and published pursuant to sections 703(f) and 777(i) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.205(c).

Dated: December 18, 2015.

# Paul Piquado,

Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance.

# Appendix I

#### Scope of the Investigation

The products covered by this investigation are certain heavy walled rectangular welded steel pipes and tubes of rectangular (including square) cross section, having a nominal wall thickness of not less than 4 mm. The merchandise includes, but is not limited to, the American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM) A–500, grade B specifications, or comparable domestic or foreign specifications.

Included products are those in which: (1) Iron predominates, by weight, over each of the other contained elements; (2) the carbon content is 2 percent or less, by weight; and (3) none of the elements below exceeds the quantity, by weight, respectively indicated:

- 2.50 percent of manganese, or
- 3.30 percent of silicon, or
- 1.50 percent of copper, or
- 1.50 percent of aluminum, or
- 1.25 percent of chromium, or
- 0.30 percent of cobalt, or
- 0.40 percent of lead, or
- 2.0 percent of nickel, or
- 0.30 percent of tungsten, or
- 0.80 percent of molybdenum, or
- 0.10 percent of niobium (also called columbium), or
  - 0.30 percent of vanadium, or
  - 0.30 percent of zirconium.

The subject merchandise is currently provided for in item 7306.61.1000 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS). Subject merchandise may also enter under HTSUS 7306.61.3000. While the HTSUS subheadings and ASTM specification are provided for convenience and customs purposes, the written description of the scope of this investigation is dispositive.

#### Appendix II

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# **DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

# International Trade Administration [A-570-020, C-570-021]

# Melamine From the People's Republic of China: Antidumping Duty and Countervailing Duty Orders

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

SUMMARY: Based on affirmative final determinations by the Department of Commerce ("Department") and the International Trade Commission ("ITC"), the Department is issuing antidumping duty ("AD") and countervailing duty ("CVD") orders on melamine from the People's Republic of China ("PRC").

**DATES:** *Effective Date:* December 28, 2015.

# FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

James Terpstra at (202) 482–3965 or Brendan Quinn at (202) 482–5848, AD/ CVD Operations, Office III, Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20230.

# SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

# **Background**

On November 6, 2015, the Department published its final affirmative determination of sales at less than fair value ("LTFV") and its final affirmative determination that countervailable subsidies are being provided to producers and exporters of melamine from the PRC.1 On December 18, 2015, the ITC notified the Department of its final affirmative determination pursuant to section 735(b)(1)(A)(i) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended ("the Act"), that an industry in the United States is materially injured by reason of LTFV imports and subsidized imports of melamine from the PRC.<sup>2</sup>

# Scope of the Orders

The merchandise subject to these orders is 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>3</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 these orders 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 these orders. Melamine that is otherwise subject to these orders is not excluded when commingled with melamine from sources not subject to this investigation. Only the subject component of such commingled products is covered by the scope of these orders.

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

# **Antidumping Duty Order**

In accordance with sections 735(b)(1)(A)(i) and 735(d) of the Act, the ITC has notified the Department of its final determination in this investigation, in which it found that imports of melamine from the PRC are materially injuring a U.S. industry. Therefore, in accordance with section 735(c)(2) of the Act, we are publishing this antidumping duty order.

As a result of the ITC's final determination, in accordance with section 736(a)(1) of the Act, the Department will direct U.S. Customs and Border Protection ("CBP") to assess, upon further instruction by the Department, antidumping duties equal to the amount by which the normal value of the merchandise exceeds the export price (or constructed export price) of the merchandise, for all relevant entries of melamine from the PRC. These antidumping duties will be assessed on unliquidated entries from the PRC entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after June 18, 2015, the date on which the Department published the AD Preliminary Determination,4 but will

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See Melamine From the People's Republic of China: Final Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value, 80 FR 68851 (November 6, 2015) ("AD Final Determination"). See also Melamine From the People's Republic of China: Final Affirmative Countervailing Duty Determination, 80 FR 68847 (November 6, 2015).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> See ITC Notification Letter to the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance referencing ITC Investigation Nos. 701– TA-526-527 and 731–TA-1262–1263 (December 18, 2015) ("ITC Notification").

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Melamine is also known as 2,4,6-triamino-striazine; l,3,5-Triazine-2,4,6-triamine;

Cyanurotriamide; Cyanurotriamine; Cyanuramide; and by various brand names.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> See Melamine from the People's Republic of China: Preliminary Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value, 80 FR 34891 (June 18, 2015) ("AD Preliminary Determination").

not include entries occurring after the expiration of the provisional measures period and before publication of the ITC's final injury determination, as further described below.

# Continuation of Suspension of Liquidation (AD)

In accordance with section 735(c)(1)(B) of the Act, we will instruct CBP to continue to suspend liquidation on entries of subject merchandise from the PRC. We will also instruct CBP to require cash deposits equal to the estimated amount by which the normal value exceeds the U.S. price as indicated in the chart below, adjusted where appropriate for export subsidies. These instructions suspending liquidation will remain in effect until further notice.

Accordingly, effective on the date of publication of the ITC's final affirmative injury determination, CBP will require, at the same time as importers would normally deposit estimated duties on this subject merchandise, a cash deposit equal to the estimated weighted-average antidumping duty margins, adjusted where appropriate for export subsidies, as discussed above. The "PRC-wide" rate applies to all exporters of subject merchandise not specifically listed.

#### **Provisional Measures (AD)**

Section 733(d) of the Act states that instructions issued pursuant to an affirmative preliminary determination may not remain in effect for more than four months except where exporters representing a significant proportion of exports of the subject merchandise request the Department to extend that four-month period to no more than six months. At the request of exporters that accounted for a significant proportion of exports of melamine from the PRC, we extended the four-month period to no more than six months. In the

underlying investigation, the Department published the *AD Preliminary Determination* on June 18, 2015. Therefore, the six-month period beginning on the date of the publication of the *AD Preliminary Determination* will end on December 15, 2015. Furthermore, section 737(b) of the Act states that definitive duties are to begin on the date of publication of the ITC's final injury determination.

Therefore, in accordance with section 733(d) of the Act and our practice, we will instruct CBP to terminate the suspension of liquidation and to liquidate, without regard to antidumping duties, unliquidated entries of melamine from the PRC entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after December 15, 2015, the date the provisional measures expired, until and through the day preceding the date of publication of the ITC's final injury determination in the Federal Register.

# Estimated Weighted-Average Dumping Margin

The Department determines that the estimated final weighted-average dumping margin is as follows:

Exporter	Weighted-average margin (percent)
PRC-Wide Entity <sup>8</sup>	363.31

# **Countervailing Duty Order**

In accordance with sections 705(b)(1)(A)(i) and 705(d) of the Act, the ITC has notified the Department of its final determination that the industry in the United States producing melamine is materially injured by reason of subsidized imports of melamine from the PRC.<sup>9</sup> Therefore, in accordance with section 705(c)(2) and 706(a) of the Act, we are publishing this countervailing duty order.

Pursuant to section 706(a) of the Act, the Department will direct CBP to assess, upon further instruction by the Department, countervailing duties on unliquidated entries of melamine entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after April 20, 2015, the date on which the Department published its affirmative preliminary countervailing duty determination in the Federal Register, 10 and before August 18, 2015, the date on which the Department instructed CBP to discontinue the suspension of liquidation in accordance with section 703(d) of the Act. Section 703(d) of the Act states that the suspension of liquidation pursuant to a preliminary determination may not remain in effect for more than four months. Entries of melamine made on or after August 18, 2015, and prior to the date of publication of the ITC's final determination in the Federal Register are not liable for the assessment of countervailing duties, due to the Department's discontinuation, effective August 18, 2015, of the suspension of liquidation.

# **Provisional Measures (CVD)**

In accordance with Section 703(d) of the Act, the provisional measures period for the countervailing duty investigation ended on August 18, 2015, and CBP was instructed to terminate the suspension of liquidation and to liquidate, without regard to countervailing duties, unliquidated entries of melamine from the PRC, entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after August 18, 2015, the date the provisional measures expired, until and through the day preceding the date of publication of the ITC's final injury determination in the Federal Register.

# Suspension of Liquidation (CVD)

In accordance with section 706 of the Act, the Department will direct CBP to reinstitute suspension of liquidation, effective on the date of publication of the ITC's notice of final determination in the Federal Register, and to assess, upon further instruction by the Department pursuant to section 706(a)(1) of the Act, countervailing duties for each entry of the subject merchandise in an amount based on the net countervailable subsidy rates for the subject merchandise. The Department will also direct CBP to require a cash deposit for each entry of subject merchandise in an amount equal to the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> See AD Final Determination, 80 FR at 68852 (describing the adjustments to the AD margins in more detail); see also sections 772(c)(1)(C) and 777A(f) of the Act, respectively. Unlike in administrative reviews, the Department calculates the adjustment for export subsidies in investigations not in the margin calculation program, but in the cash deposit instructions issued to CBP. See, e.g., Notice of Final Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value, and Negative Determination of Critical Circumstances: Certain Lined Paper Products from India, 71 FR 45012 (August 8, 2006), and accompanying Issues and Decision Memorandum at Comment 1.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> See sections 736(a)(3), 772(c)(1)(C) and 777A(f) of the Act. Although the statute contemplates an adjustment for estimated domestic subsidy pass through, as stated in the AD Final Determination, we are not adjusting the PRC-wide rate for estimated domestic subsidy pass-through in this case because we have no basis upon which to make such an adjustment.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> See Melamine from the People's Republic of China: Postponement of Final Determination of

Sales at Less Than Fair Value,  $80~\mathrm{FR}~38175$  (July 2, 2015).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> The PRC-wide entity includes, among other companies, the mandatory respondents Allied Chemicals Inc., Xinji Jiuyuan Chemical Co., Ltd., Sichuan Golden Elephant Sincerity Chemical Co., Ltd., and Zhongyuan Dahua Group Inc., which withdrew from the investigation prior to respondent selection. As stated previously, we will adjust cash deposit rates by the amount of export subsidies, where appropriate. In this LTFV investigation, with regard to PRC-wide entity, export subsidies constitute 9.66 percent of the final calculated countervailing duty rate in the concurrent countervailing duty investigation, and, thus, we will offset the PRC-wide rate of 363.31 percent by the countervailing duty rate attributable to export subsidies (i.e., 9.66 percent). As a result, the cash deposit rate for the PRC-wide entity will be 353.65 percent

<sup>9</sup> See ITC Notification.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> See Melamine From the People's Republic of China: Preliminary Affirmative Countervailing Duty Determination, and Alignment of Final Determination With Final Antidumping Duty Determination, 80 FR 21706 (April 20, 2015).

net countervailable subsidy rates listed below. The all-others rate applies to all producers and exporters of subject merchandise not specifically listed.

Company	Subsidy rate (percent)
Far-Reaching Chemical Co., Ltd.  M and A Chemicals Corp China	154.00 154.00 154.00 156.90 154.00 154.58

#### **Notification to Interested Parties**

This notice constitutes the AD and CVD orders with respect to melamine from the PRC pursuant to sections 736(a) and 706(a) of the Act. Interested parties can find an updated list of orders currently in effect by either visiting <a href="http://enforcement.trade.gov/stats/iastats1.html">http://enforcement.trade.gov/stats/iastats1.html</a> or by contacting the Department's Central Records Unit, Room B8024 of the main Commerce Building.

These orders are published in accordance with sections 706(a), 736(a), and 777(i) of the Act, and 19 CFR 351.211(b).

Dated: December 21, 2015.

#### Paul Piquado,

Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance .

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# DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

# National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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# Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council (MAFMC); Public Meeting

**AGENCY:** National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice; public meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council's (MAFMC) Ecosystem and Ocean Planning Advisory Panel (AP) will hold a public webinar meeting.

DATES: The meeting will be held on Monday, January 11, 2016 from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. For agenda details, see

# SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held via webinar with a with a telephone-only connection option. Connection details are available at: http://www.mafmc.org.

Council address: Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council, 800 N. State Street, Suite 201, Dover, DE 19901; telephone: (302) 674–2331; Web site: www.mafmc.org.

# FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Christopher M. Moore, Ph.D., Executive Director, Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council; telephone: (302) 526–5255.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The MAFMC's Ecosystem and Ocean Planning AP will meet to provide input on the development of the Council's Unmanaged Forage Omnibus Amendment. This amendment will prohibit the development of new, or expansion of existing, directed fisheries on unmanaged forage species in Mid-Atlantic Federal waters until adequate scientific information is available to promote ecosystem sustainability. The webinar will include a discussion of development of the amendment to date. The AP will then be asked to provide input on preliminary management alternatives, a draft list of unmanaged forage species to be addressed in the amendment, and other aspects of the amendment.

# **Special Accommodations**

The meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aid should be directed to M. Jan Saunders, (302) 526–5251, at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

Dated: December 21, 2015.

# Tracey L. Thompson,

Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service. [FR Doc. 2015–32490 Filed 12–24–15; 8:45 am]

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# **DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

# National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

# Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

The Department of Commerce will submit to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).

Agency: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA).

Title: Alaska Region Amendment 80 Permits and Reports.

OMB Control Number: 0648–0565. Form Number(s): None.

*Type of Request:* Regular (extension of a currently approved information collection).

Number of Respondents: 33.

Average Hours per Response: 2 hours each for Application for Amend 80 QS; Application for Amend 80 Cooperative and CQ Permit; Application for Amend 80 limited access fishery; Application to transfer Amend 80 QS; Application for Amendment 80 Vessel Replacement and Application for inter-cooperative transfer Amend 80 CQ; 25 hours for Amend 80 cooperative report; 4 hours for Amend 80 appeals letter; 30 minutes for Flatfish Exchange Application.

Burden Hours: 181.

*Needs and Uses:* This request is for extension of a currently approved information collection.

Amendment 80 to the Fishery Management Plan for Groundfish of the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area allocates several Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area non-pollock trawl groundfish fisheries among fishing sectors, established a limited access privilege program, and facilitated the formation of harvesting cooperatives in the non-American Fisheries Act (non-AFA) trawl catcher/processor sector. The Amendment 80 Fishery Management Plan applies retention standards on an aggregate basis to all activities of a cooperative, allowing participants within the cooperative to coordinate fishing and retention practices across the cooperative to meet the retention requirements.

Affected Public: Business or other forprofit organizations; individuals or households.

Frequency: Annually and on occasion. Respondent's Obligation: Mandatory.