

served on interested parties.¹⁵ An electronically filed document must be received successfully in its entirety by Commerce's electronic records system, ACCESS, by 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time on the date that the document is due. Note that Commerce has temporarily modified certain of its requirements for serving documents containing business proprietary information, until further notice.¹⁶

Commerce intends to issue the final results of this administrative review, including the results of its analysis of the issues raised in any case or rebuttal briefs, no later than 120 days after the date of publication of this notice, unless this deadline is extended.¹⁷

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 POR. Failure to comply with this requirement could result in Commerce's presumption that reimbursement of antidumping duties occurred and the subsequent assessment of double antidumping duties.

Notification to Interested Parties

These preliminary results 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 25, 2022.

Abdelali Elouaradia,

Deputy Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

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Certain Freight Rail Couplers and Parts Thereof From the People's Republic of China: Postponement of Preliminary Determination

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

DATES: Applicable December 2, 2022.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Terre Keaton Stefanova or Paul Gill, AD/CVD Operations Office II, Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482-1280 or (202) 482-5673, respectively.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On October 18, 2022, the U.S. Department of Commerce (Commerce) initiated a countervailing duty (CVD) investigation of imports of certain freight rail couplers and parts thereof from the People's Republic of China.¹ Currently, the preliminary determination is due no later than December 22, 2022.

Postponement of Preliminary Determination

Section 703(b)(1) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act), requires Commerce to issue the preliminary determination in a CVD investigation within 65 days after the date on which Commerce initiated the investigation. However, section 703(c)(1) of the Act permits Commerce to postpone the preliminary determination until no later than 130 days after the date on which Commerce initiated the investigation if: (A) the petitioner makes a timely request for a postponement; or (B) Commerce concludes that the parties concerned are cooperating, that the investigation is extraordinarily complicated, and that additional time is necessary to make a preliminary determination. Under 19 CFR 351.205(e), the petitioner must submit a request for postponement 25 days or more before the scheduled date of the preliminary determination and must state the reasons for the request. Commerce will grant the request unless it finds compelling reasons to deny it.

¹ See *Certain Freight Rail Couplers and Parts Thereof from the People's Republic of China: Initiation of Countervailing Duty Investigation*, 87 FR 64440 (October 25, 2022).

On November 21, 2022, the Coalition of Freight Coupler Producers (the petitioner) timely filed a request for Commerce to postpone the preliminary CVD determination so that Commerce may review all questionnaire responses and new factual information to permit a thorough investigation and the calculation of accurate subsidy rates.²

In accordance with 19 CFR 351.205(e), the petitioner has stated the reasons for requesting a postponement of the preliminary determination, and Commerce finds no compelling reason to deny the request. Therefore, in accordance with section 703(c)(1)(A) of the Act, Commerce is postponing the deadline for the preliminary determination to no later than the next business day after 130 days after the date on which this investigation was initiated, *i.e.*, February 27, 2023.³ Pursuant to section 705(a)(1) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.210(b)(1), the deadline for the final determination of this investigation will continue to be 75 days after the date of the preliminary determination.

Notification to Interested Parties

This notice is issued and published pursuant to section 703(c)(2) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.205(f)(1).

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Abdelali Elouaradia,

Deputy Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

Notice of Scope Ruling Applications Filed in Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Proceedings

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

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of Commerce (Commerce) received scope

² See Petitioner's Letter, "Request to Postpone Preliminary CVD Determination," dated November 21, 2022. The petitioner is the Coalition of Freight Coupler Producers, the members of which are McConway & Torley LLC and the United Steel, Paper and Forestry, Rubber, Manufacturing, Energy, Allied Industrial and Service Workers International Union.

³ The extended date for the preliminary determination falls on February 25, 2023, which is a Saturday. Commerce's practice dictates that, when a deadline falls on a weekend or Federal holiday, the appropriate deadline is the next business day. See *Notice of Clarification: Application of "Next Business Day" Rule for Administrative Determination Deadlines Pursuant to the Tariff Act of 1930, As Amended*, 70 FR 24533 (May 10, 2005).

¹⁵ See 19 CFR 351.303(f).

¹⁶ See *Temporary Rule Modifying AD/CVD Service Requirements Due to COVID 19; Extension of Effective Period*, 85 FR 41363 (July 10, 2020).

¹⁷ See section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act; and 19 CFR 351.213(h)(1).

ruling applications, requesting that scope inquiries be conducted to determine whether identified products are covered by the scope of antidumping duty (AD) and/or countervailing duty (CVD) orders and that Commerce issue scope rulings pursuant to those inquiries. In accordance with Commerce's regulations, we are notifying the public of the filing of the scope ruling applications listed below in the month of October 2022.

DATES: Applicable December 2, 2022.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Terri Monroe, AD/CVD Operations, Customs Liaison Unit, Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20230, telephone: (202) 482-1384.

Notice of Scope Ruling Applications

In accordance with 19 CFR 351.225(d)(3), we are notifying the public of the following scope ruling applications related to AD and CVD orders and findings filed in or around the month of October 2022. This notification includes, for each scope application: (1) identification of the AD and/or CVD orders at issue (19 CFR 351.225(c)(1)); (2) concise public descriptions of the products at issue, including the physical characteristics (including chemical, dimensional and technical characteristics) of the products (19 CFR 351.225(c)(2)(ii)); (3) the countries where the products are produced and the countries from where the products are exported (19 CFR 351.225(c)(2)(i)(B)); (4) the full names of the applicants; and (5) the dates that the scope applications were filed with Commerce and the name of the ACCESS scope segment where the scope applications can be found.¹ This notice does not include applications which have been rejected and not properly resubmitted. The scope ruling applications listed below are available on Commerce's online e-filing and document management system, Antidumping and Countervailing Duty

Electronic Service System (ACCESS), at <https://access.trade.gov>.

Scope Ruling Applications

Standard Steel Welded Wire Mesh from Mexico (A-201-853/C-201-854); 6 x 6 W1.4/W1.4 or D1.4/D1.4 (*i.e.*, 10 gauge), 8' x 131' foot rolls of wire mesh (10 Gauge Wire Mesh);² produced in and exported from Mexico; submitted by Keysteel Corp.; Mid-South Wire Company; National Wire LLC; Oklahoma Steel & Wire Co.; and Wire Mesh Corp. (Domestic Producers); October 4, 2022; ACCESS scope segment "10-Gauge Wire."

Forged Steel Fittings from the People's Republic of China (China) (A-570-067/C-570-068); Forged Steel Fittings (FSF);³ produced in and exported from China; submitted by UTEX Industries, Inc. (UTEX); October 10, 2022; ACCESS scope segment "UTEX."

Utility Scale Wind Towers from Spain, Germany, Denmark, the Netherlands, the United Kingdom, China (A-570-981, A-552-814, C-570-982, A-122-867, A-552-825, A-560-833, A-580-902, A-469-823, A-533-897, A-557-821, C-122-868, C-552-826, C-557-822, C-560-834, C-533-898); Monopiles;⁴ produced in and exported from Spain, Germany, Denmark, the Netherlands, the United Kingdom, and China; submitted by Orsted North America Inc. (Orsted); October 10, 2022; ACCESS scope segment "Monopile."

Certain Crystalline Silicon Photovoltaic Cells, Whether or Not

² The product covered by this scope application is standard steel welded reinforcement wire mesh comprised of square and rectangular grids of uniformly spaced steel wires, either smooth or deformed, that are welded at all intersections, in the following style: 6x6 W1.4/W1.4 or D1.4/D1.4 (*i.e.*, 10 gauge), in roll form with a nominal width of 8 feet and a nominal length of 131 feet. The 10-gauge wire mesh that is the subject of this scope is classifiable under HTSUS 7314.20.0000 and 7314.39.0000.

³ UTEX fittings are custom forged fittings used in a specific system for the drilling and extraction of oil and natural gas. The fittings that are included in this scope application are used in UTEX's LargeBore system and include cross-box fittings, expansion spool fittings, flange adapter assembly, flange adapter fittings, collar fittings, threaded elbow fittings, union fittings and swivel fittings. The UTEX fittings subject to this scope application are classified under HTSUS 7307.92.3030, 7307.92.9000 and 7307.99.5060.

⁴ Monopiles are hollow cylindrical shapes made from steel used to form a foundation on which a complete offshore wind turbine sits. The majority of modern monopiles range from 1,000 to 2,500 tons. Monopiles are welded together at the fabrication point and shipped to the installation point in one piece ranging from 80 to 130 meters in length. Monopiles designed for use with a transition piece may be on average approximately 20 meters shorter. Monopiles are classified under HTSUS 7308.20.0020.

Assembled into Modules, from China (A-570-979/C-570-980); Solar Modules;⁵ produced in and exported from Cambodia; submitted by Sonali Energiees USA LLC (Sonali); October 31, 2022; ACCESS scope segment "Sonali."

Notification to Interested Parties

This list of scope ruling applications is not an identification of scope inquiries that have been initiated. In accordance with 19 CFR 351.225(d)(1), if Commerce has not rejected a scope ruling application nor initiated the scope inquiry within 30 days after the filing of the application, the application will be deemed accepted and a scope inquiry will be deemed initiated the following day—day 31.⁶ Commerce's practice generally dictates that where a deadline falls on a weekend, Federal holiday, or other non-business day, the appropriate deadline is the next business day.⁷ Accordingly, if the 30th day after the filing of the application falls on a non-business day, the next business day will be considered the "updated" 30th day, and if the application is not rejected or a scope inquiry initiated by or on that particular business day, the application will be deemed accepted and a scope inquiry will be deemed initiated on the next business day which follows the "updated" 30th day.⁸

In accordance with 19 CFR 351.225(m)(2), if there are companion AD and CVD orders covering the same merchandise from the same country of origin, the scope inquiry will be conducted on the record of the AD proceeding. Further, please note that pursuant to 19 CFR 351.225(m)(1), Commerce may either apply a scope ruling to all products from the same country with the same relevant physical characteristics, (including chemical, dimensional, and technical

⁵ Solar modules manufactured in Cambodia from solar cells manufactured in Cambodia using Chinese unfinished silicon wafers. The merchandise subject to this scope application is classified under HTSUS number 8541.43.00.

⁶ In accordance with 19 CFR 351.225(d)(2), within 30 days after the filing of a scope ruling application, if Commerce determines that it intends to address the scope issue raised in the application in another segment of the proceeding (such as a circumvention inquiry under 19 CFR 351.226 or a covered merchandise inquiry under 19 CFR 351.227), it will notify the applicant that it will not initiate a scope inquiry, but will instead determine if the product is covered by the scope at issue in that alternative segment.

⁷ See *Notice of Clarification: Application of "Next Business Day" Rule for Administrative Determination Deadlines Pursuant to the Tariff Act of 1930, As Amended*, 70 FR 24533 (May 10, 2005).

⁸ This structure maintains the intent of the applicable regulation, 19 CFR 351.225(d)(1), to allow day 30 and day 31 to be separate business days.

¹ See *Regulations to Improve Administration and Enforcement of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Laws*, 86 FR 52300, 52316 (September 20, 2021) (*Final Rule*) ("It is our expectation that the Federal Register list will include, where appropriate, for each scope application the following data: (1) identification of the AD and/or CVD orders at issue; (2) a concise public summary of the product's description, including the physical characteristics (including chemical, dimensional and technical characteristics) of the product; (3) the country(ies) where the product is produced and the country from where the product is exported; (4) the full name of the applicant; and (5) the date that the scope application was filed with Commerce.")

characteristics) as the product at issue, on a country-wide basis, regardless of the producer, exporter, or importer of those products, or on a company-specific basis.

For further information on procedures for filing information with Commerce through ACCESS and participating in scope inquiries, please refer to the Filing Instructions section of the Scope Ruling Application Guide, at https://access.trade.gov/help/Scope_Ruling_Guidance.pdf. Interested parties, apart from the scope ruling applicant, who wish to participate in a scope inquiry and be added to the public service list for that segment of the proceeding must file an entry of appearance in accordance with 19 CFR 351.103(d)(1) and 19 CFR 351.225(n)(4). Interested parties are advised to refer to the case segment in ACCESS as well as 19 CFR 351.225(f) for further information on the scope inquiry procedures, including the timelines for the submission of comments.

Please note that this notice of scope ruling applications filed in AD and CVD proceedings may be published before any potential initiation, or after the initiation, of a given scope inquiry based on a scope ruling application identified in this notice. Therefore, please refer to the case segment on ACCESS to determine whether a scope ruling application has been accepted or rejected and whether a scope inquiry has been initiated.

Interested parties who wish to be served scope ruling applications for a particular AD or CVD order may file a request to be included on the annual inquiry service list during the anniversary month of the publication of the AD or CVD order in accordance with 19 CFR 351.225(n) and Commerce's procedures.⁹

Interested parties are invited to comment on the completeness of this monthly list of scope ruling applications received by Commerce. Any comments should be submitted to James Maeder, Deputy Assistant Secretary for AD/CVD Operations, Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, via email to CommerceCLU@trade.gov.

This notice of scope ruling applications filed in AD and CVD proceedings is published in accordance with 19 CFR 351.225(d)(3).

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James Maeder,

Deputy Assistant Secretary for Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Operations.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

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Stainless Steel Sheet and Strip in Coils From the Republic of Korea: Final Results of Expedited Sunset Review of the Countervailing Duty Order

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

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of Commerce (Commerce) finds that revocation of the countervailing duty (CVD) order on stainless steel sheet and strip in coils (sheet and strip) from the Republic of Korea (Korea) would likely lead to the continuation or recurrence of a countervailable subsidy at the levels indicated in the "Final Results of the Sunset Review" section of this notice.

DATES: Applicable December 2, 2022.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: John Hoffner, 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) 482-3315.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On September 1, 2022, Commerce initiated this fourth sunset review of the CVD order¹ on sheet and strip from Korea, pursuant to section 751(c) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act).² This sunset review covers the five-year period from 2017 to 2021. Commerce received a notice of intent to participate from Cleveland-Cliffs Inc., North American Stainless, and Outokumpu Stainless USA LLC (collectively, the domestic interested parties), within the deadline specified in 19 CFR 351.218(d)(1)(i). The domestic interested parties claimed interested party status under section 771(9)(C) of the Act as domestic

¹ See *Amended Final Determination: Stainless Steel Sheet and Strip in Coils from the Republic of Korea; and Notice of Countervailing Duty Orders: Stainless Steel Sheet and Strip in Coils from France, Italy, and the Republic of Korea*, 64 FR 42923 (August 6, 1999) (Order).

² See *Initiation of Five-Year (Sunset) Reviews*, 87 FR 53727 (September 1, 2022).

producers of sheet and strip in the United States.

Commerce received an adequate substantive response from the domestic interested parties within the 30-day deadline specified in 19 CFR 351.218(d)(3)(i). However, Commerce did not receive a substantive response from any government or respondent interested party to this proceeding.

On October 25, 2022, Commerce notified the U.S. International Trade Commission that it did not receive an adequate substantive response from respondent interested parties.³ As a result, pursuant to section 751(c)(3)(B) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.218(e)(1)(ii)(C)(2), Commerce conducted an expedited (120-day) sunset review of the Order.

Scope of the Order

The merchandise subject to the Order consists of stainless steel sheet and strip in coils from Korea. Stainless steel is alloy steel containing, by weight, 1.2 percent or less of carbon and 10.5 percent or more of chromium, with or without other elements. The subject sheet and strip is a flat-rolled product in coils that is greater than 9.5 mm in width and less than 4.75 mm in thickness, and that is annealed or otherwise heat treated and pickled or otherwise descaled. The subject sheet and strip may also be further processed (e.g., cold-rolled, polished, aluminized, coated, etc.) provided that it maintains the specific dimensions of sheet and strip following such processing.

The merchandise subject to the Order is classified in the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTS) at subheadings: 7219.13.00.30, 7219.13.00.50, 7219.13.00.70, 7219.13.00.80, 7219.14.00.30, 7219.14.00.65, 7219.14.00.90, 7219.32.00.05, 7219.32.00.20, 7219.32.00.25, 7219.32.00.35, 7219.32.00.36, 7219.32.00.38, 7219.32.00.42, 7219.32.00.44, 7219.33.00.05, 7219.33.00.20, 7219.33.00.25, 7219.33.00.35, 7219.33.00.36, 7219.33.00.38, 7219.33.00.42, 7219.33.00.44, 7219.34.00.05, 7219.34.00.20, 7219.34.00.25, 7219.34.00.30, 7219.34.00.35, 7219.35.00.05, 7219.35.00.15, 7219.35.00.30, 7219.35.00.35, 7219.90.00.10, 7219.90.00.20, 7219.90.00.25, 7219.90.00.60, 7219.90.00.80, 7220.12.10.00, 7220.12.50.00, 7220.20.10.10, 7220.20.10.15, 7220.20.10.60, 7220.20.10.80,

³ See Commerce's Letter, "Sunset Reviews Initiated on September 1, 2022," dated October 25, 2022.

⁹ See *Scope Ruling Application; Annual Inquiry Service List; and Informational Sessions*, 86 FR 53205 (September 27, 2021).