

Dated: September 26, 2023.

**Elizabeth Whiteman,**  
Executive Secretary.

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[B–51–2023]

#### Foreign-Trade Zone (FTZ) 29, Notification of Proposed Production Activity; Toyota Motor Manufacturing Kentucky, Inc.; (Dual Fuel Cell Modules); Georgetown, Kentucky

The Louisville & Jefferson County Riverport Authority, grantee of FTZ 29, submitted a notification of proposed production activity to the FTZ Board (the Board) on behalf of Toyota Motor Manufacturing Kentucky, Inc., located in Georgetown, Kentucky within Subzone 29E. The notification conforming to the requirements of the Board's regulations (15 CFR 400.22) was received on September 21, 2023.

Pursuant to 15 CFR 400.14(b), FTZ production activity would be limited to the specific foreign-status material(s)/ component(s) and specific finished product(s) described in the submitted notification (summarized below) and subsequently authorized by the Board. The benefits that may stem from conducting production activity under FTZ procedures are explained in the background section of the Board's website—accessible via [www.trade.gov/ftz](http://www.trade.gov/ftz). The proposed finished product(s) and material(s)/component(s) would be added to the production authority that the Board previously approved for the operation, as reflected on the Board's website.

The proposed finished product is dual fuel cell modules (duty rate is 2.5%).

The proposed foreign-status materials and components include: plastic components (oil fill hose; wiring harness clamps; piping clamps; clamps; fuel tube clamps); rubber components (fuel cell radiator hoses; reserve tank inlet hoses; fuel cell radiator hose sub-assemblies; fuel cell inverter cooling hose sub-assemblies); stainless steel tubes; steel components (flange bolts with washers; mounts for air cleaners; flange bolts; bolts with washers; nuts; hose clips); various assemblies (fuel cell cooling water ion exchanger; air cleaner with filter element; fuel cell generator; fuel cell exhaust tail pipe); and, hydrogen detectors (duty rate ranges from duty-free to 8.5%). The request indicates that certain materials/ components are subject to duties under

section 301 of the Trade Act of 1974 (section 301), depending on the country of origin. The applicable section 301 decisions require subject merchandise to be admitted to FTZs in privileged foreign status (19 CFR 146.41).

Public comment is invited from interested parties. Submissions shall be addressed to the Board's Executive Secretary and sent to: [ftz@trade.gov](mailto:ftz@trade.gov). The closing period for their receipt is November 8, 2023.

A copy of the notification will be available for public inspection in the "Online FTZ Information System" section of the Board's website.

For further information, contact Juanita Chen at [juanita.chen@trade.gov](mailto:juanita.chen@trade.gov).

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Executive Secretary.

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### International Trade Administration

[C–533–913]

#### Certain Non-Refillable Steel Cylinders From India: Preliminary Affirmative Countervailing Duty Determination and Alignment of Final Determination With Final Antidumping Duty Determination

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

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Department of Commerce (Commerce) preliminarily determines that countervailable subsidies are being provided to producers and exporters of certain non-refillable steel cylinders (steel cylinders) from India for the period of investigation (POI) April 1, 2022, through March 31, 2023. Interested parties are invited to comment on this preliminary determination.

**DATES:** Applicable September 29, 2023.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Shane Subler, AD/CVD Operations, Office VIII, Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482–6241.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### Background

This preliminary determination is made in accordance with section 703(b) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act). Commerce published the notice of initiation of this countervailing duty (CVD) investigation on May 24,

2023.<sup>1</sup> On June 30, 2023, Commerce postponed the preliminary determination of this investigation until September 25, 2023.<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 discussed 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 products covered by this investigation are steel cylinders. For a complete description of the scope of this investigation, see Appendix I.

#### Methodology

Commerce is conducting this investigation in accordance with section 701 of the Act. For each of the subsidy programs found countervailable, Commerce 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>4</sup> Commerce notes that, in making these findings, it relied, in part, on facts available and, because it finds that the Government of India did not act to the best of its ability to respond to Commerce's requests for information, Commerce has drawn an adverse inference where appropriate in selecting from among the facts otherwise available.<sup>5</sup> For a full description of the methodology underlying our preliminary

<sup>1</sup> See *Certain Non-Refillable Steel Cylinders from India: Initiation of Countervailing Duty Investigation*, 88 FR 33580 (May 24, 2023) (Initiation Notice).

<sup>2</sup> See *Certain Non-Refillable Steel Cylinders from India: Postponement of Preliminary Determination in the Countervailing Duty Investigation*, 88 FR 43295 (July 7, 2023).

<sup>3</sup> See Memorandum, "Decision Memorandum for the Preliminary Affirmative Determination in the Countervailing Duty Investigation of Certain Non-Refillable Steel Cylinders from India," dated concurrently with, and hereby adopted by, this notice (Preliminary Decision Memorandum).

<sup>4</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>5</sup> See sections 776(a) and (b) of the Act.

determination, see the Preliminary Decision Memorandum.

**Alignment**

As noted in the Preliminary Decision Memorandum, in accordance with section 705(a)(1) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.210(b)(4), Commerce is aligning the final CVD determination with the final determination in the companion antidumping duty (AD) investigation of steel cylinders from India based on a request made by the petitioner.<sup>6</sup> Consequently, the final CVD determination will be issued on the same date as the final AD determination, which is currently scheduled to be issued no later than February 7, 2024, unless postponed.

**All-Others Rate**

Sections 703(d) and 705(c)(5)(A) of the Act provide that in the preliminary determination, Commerce shall determine an estimated all-others rate for companies not individually examined. Pursuant to section 705(c)(5)(A)(i) of the Act, this rate shall normally be an amount equal to the weighted average of the estimated subsidy rates established for those companies individually examined, excluding any zero and *de minimis* rates and any rates based entirely under section 776 of the Act. Because we have calculated an above-*de minimis* rate for both mandatory respondents that is not based entirely on section 776 of the Act, we have preliminarily assigned an all-others rate based on the weighted average of the estimated subsidy rates calculated for the mandatory respondents.

**Preliminary Determination**

Commerce preliminarily determines that the following estimated countervailable subsidy rates exist:

Company	Subsidy rate (percent <i>ad valorem</i> )
Bhiwadi Cylinders Private Limited <sup>7</sup> .....	1.91
Inox India Ltd. (Inox) .....	1.74
All Others .....	1.83

**Suspension of Liquidation**

In accordance with sections 703(d)(1)(B) and (d)(2) of the Act, Commerce will direct U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) to suspend

<sup>6</sup> See Worthington Industry’s Letter, “Petitioner’s Request to Align Final Determination,” dated September 22, 2023.

<sup>7</sup> As discussed in the Preliminary Decision Memorandum, Commerce preliminarily determines that Sapphire (India) Private Limited is cross-owned with Bhiwadi Cylinders Private Limited.

liquidation of entries of subject merchandise as described in the “Scope of the Investigation” section entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after the date of the publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**. Further, pursuant to 19 CFR 351.205(d), Commerce will instruct CBP to require a cash deposit equal to the rates indicated above.

**Disclosure**

Commerce intends to disclose its calculations and analysis performed to interested parties in this preliminary determination within five days of its public announcement, in accordance with 19 CFR 351.224(b).

**Verification**

As provided in section 782(i)(1) of the Act, Commerce intends to verify the information relied upon in making its final determination.

**Public Comment**

A timeline for the submission of case briefs and written comments will be notified to interested parties at a later date. Rebuttal briefs, limited to issues raised in case briefs, may be submitted no later than seven days after the deadline for case briefs.<sup>8</sup> Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.309(c)(2) and (d)(2), parties who submit case briefs or rebuttal briefs in this investigation are encouraged to submit with each argument: (1) a statement of the issue; (2) a brief summary of the argument; and (3) a table of authorities.

Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.310(c), interested parties who wish to request a hearing, limited to issues raised in the case and rebuttal briefs, must submit a written request to the Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance, U.S. Department of Commerce within 30 days after the date of publication of this notice. Requests should contain the party’s name, address, and telephone number, the number of participants, whether any participant is a foreign national, and a list of the issues to be discussed. If a request for a hearing is made, Commerce intends to hold the hearing at a time and date to be determined. Parties should confirm the date, time, and location of the hearing two days before the scheduled date.

All submissions should be filed using ACCESS and must be served on interested parties.<sup>9</sup> An electronically filed document must be received

<sup>8</sup> See 19 CFR 351.309; 19 CFR 351.303 (for general filing requirements); and *Temporary Rule Modifying AD/CVD Service Requirements Due to COVID-19*, 85 FR 17006, 17007 (March 26, 2020).

<sup>9</sup> See 19 CFR 351.303.

successfully in its entirety by ACCESS by 5 p.m. Eastern Standard Time by the due date specified above.<sup>10</sup> Note that Commerce has temporarily modified certain of its requirements for serving documents containing business proprietary information, until further notice.<sup>11</sup>

**U.S. International Trade Commission Notification**

In accordance with section 703(f) of the Act, Commerce will notify the U.S. International Trade Commission (ITC) of its determination. If the final determination is affirmative, the ITC will determine before the later of 120 days after the date of this preliminary determination or 45 days after the final determination whether imports of steel cylinders from India are materially injuring, or threaten material injury to, the U.S. industry.<sup>12</sup>

**Notification to Interested Parties**

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

Dated: September 25, 2023.

**Lisa W. Wang,**

*Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance.*

**Appendix I—Scope of the Investigation**

The merchandise covered by this investigation is certain seamed (welded or brazed), non-refillable steel cylinders meeting the requirements of, or produced to meet the requirements of, U.S. Department of Transportation specification 39, TransportCanada specification 39M, or United Nations pressure receptacle standard ISO 11118 and otherwise meeting the description provided below (non-refillable steel cylinders). The subject non-refillable steel cylinders are portable and range from 100-cubic inch (1.6 liter) water capacity to 1,526-cubic inch (25 liter) water capacity. Subject non-refillable steel cylinders may be imported with or without a valve and/or pressure release device and are unfilled at the time of importation. Non-refillable steel cylinders filled with pressurized air otherwise meeting the physical description above are covered by this investigation.

Specifically excluded are seamless non-refillable steel cylinders.

The merchandise subject to this investigation is properly classified under statistical reporting numbers 7311.00.0060 and 7311.00.0090 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS). The merchandise may also enter under HTSUS statistical reporting numbers 7310.29.0030 and 7310.29.0065. Although the HTSUS

<sup>10</sup> See 19 CFR 351.303(b)(1).

<sup>11</sup> See *Temporary Rule Modifying AD/CVD Service Requirements Due to COVID-19; Extension of Effective Period*, 85 FR 41363 (July 10, 2020).

<sup>12</sup> See section 705(b)(2) of the Act.

statistical reporting numbers are provided for convenience and customs purposes, the written description of the merchandise is dispositive.

## Appendix II—List of Topics Discussed in the Preliminary Decision Memorandum

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### International Trade Administration

#### Advisory Committee on Supply Chain Competitiveness: Notice of Public Meeting

**AGENCY:** International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice of open meeting.

**SUMMARY:** This notice sets forth the schedule and proposed topics of discussion for the upcoming public meeting of the Advisory Committee on Supply Chain Competitiveness (Committee).

**DATES:** The meeting will be held on October 25, 2023, from 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., eastern standard time (EST).

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW, Research Library (Room 1894), Washington, DC 20230. The meeting will also be held via Zoom.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Richard Boll, Designated Federal Officer, Office of Supply Chain, Professional & Business Services, International Trade Administration at Email: [richard.boll@trade.gov](mailto:richard.boll@trade.gov), phone 571–331–0098.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

*Background:* The Committee was established under the discretionary authority of the Secretary of Commerce and in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. app.). It provides advice to the Secretary of Commerce on the necessary elements of a comprehensive policy approach to supply chain competitiveness and on regulatory policies and programs and investment priorities that affect the

competitiveness of U.S. supply chains. For more information about the Committee visit: <https://www.trade.gov/acsc>.

*Matters To Be Considered:* Committee members are expected to continue discussing the major competitiveness-related topics raised at the previous Committee meetings, including supply chain resilience and congestion; trade and competitiveness; freight movement and policy; trade innovation; regulatory issues; finance and infrastructure; and workforce development. The Committee's subcommittees will report on the status of their work regarding these topics. The agenda may change to accommodate other Committee business. The Office of Supply Chain, Professional, and Business Services will post the final detailed agenda on its website, <https://www.trade.gov/acsc>. The video with closed captioning of the meeting will also be posted on the Committee website.

The meeting is open to the public and press on a first-come, first-served basis. Space is limited. Please contact Richard Boll, Designated Federal Officer, at [richard.boll@trade.gov](mailto:richard.boll@trade.gov), for participation information.

Dated: September 25, 2023.

**Heather Sykes,**

*Director, Office of Supply Chain, Professional, and Business Services.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### International Trade Administration

[C–580–917]

#### Brass Rod From the Republic of Korea: Preliminary Affirmative Countervailing Duty Determination and Alignment of Final Determination With Final Antidumping Duty Determination

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

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Department of Commerce (Commerce) preliminarily determines that countervailable subsidies are being provided to producers and exporters of brass rod from the Republic of Korea (Korea). The period of investigation is January 1, 2022, through December 31, 2022. Interested parties are invited to comment on this preliminary determination.

**DATES:** Applicable September 29, 2023.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Toni Page or Lingjun Wang, AD/CVD Operations, Office OVII, Enforcement

and Compliance, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482–1398 or (202) 482–2316, respectively.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### Background

This preliminary determination is made in accordance with section 703(b) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act). On May 24, 2023, Commerce published in the **Federal Register** the notice of initiation of this investigation.<sup>1</sup> On June 30, 2023, Commerce postponed the preliminary determination of this investigation until September 25, 2023.<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 discussed 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 brass rod from Korea. 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> the *Initiation Notice* set aside a period of time for parties to raise issues regarding product coverage (*i.e.*, scope).<sup>5</sup> We received comments from several interested parties concerning the scope of the antidumping duty (AD) and

<sup>1</sup> See *Brass Rod from India, Israel, and the Republic of Korea: Initiation of Countervailing Duty Investigations*, 88 FR 33566 (May 24, 2023) (*Initiation Notice*).

<sup>2</sup> See *Brass Rod from India, Israel, and the Republic of Korea: Postponement of Preliminary Determinations in the Countervailing Duty Investigations*, 88 FR 42300 (June 30, 2023).

<sup>3</sup> See Memorandum, "Decision Memorandum for the Preliminary Affirmative Determination of the Countervailing Duty Investigation of Brass Rod from the Republic of Korea," 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*.