

structure of the company.¹¹ As support, Yi Jun provides the name change certificate issued by the Hong Kong Registrar of Companies¹² and GSBF's business license before and after the change to Yi Jun which reflect a "replacement" business registration, which substantiates that there was no change in address or the material details of the registration.¹³ Yi Jun also provided updated articles of association that reflect the name change, but are otherwise unchanged from the prior articles.¹⁴ The lack of changes to the articles supports the claim that Yi Jun's operations with respect to the sales of subject merchandise have not materially changed as a result of its name change.

In addition, the record includes a list of company officials before and after the name change, supporting Yi Jun's assertion that the managing staff remained the same.¹⁵ Further, Yi Jun notes that the subject merchandise sold to the U.S. by both GSBF and Yi Jun were all sourced from GSBF Tank, and that neither GSBF nor Yi Jun manufactures steel propane cylinders (*i.e.*, the company has been and will continue to only serve as an exporter).¹⁶ Moreover, Yi Jun provided lists of both its suppliers and U.S. customers, before and after the name change to support its assertion that there have been no material changes to GSBF's suppliers¹⁷ or its customer base following the name change. Yi Jun notes it has only added one U.S. customer through the normal course of business.¹⁸

Therefore, based on the aforementioned evidence on the record, we preliminarily determine that Yi Jun is the successor-in-interest to GSBF, as the change in the business' name was not accompanied by significant changes to its management and operations, supplier relationships, or customer base.¹⁹ Thus, we preliminarily

determine that Yi Jun operates as essentially the same business entity as GSBF, that Yi Jun is the successor-in-interest to GSBF, and that Yi Jun should receive the same AD cash deposit rate with respect to subject merchandise as its predecessor, GSBF.

Should our final results remain unchanged from these preliminary results, we will instruct U.S. Customs and Border Protection to assign entries of subject merchandise exported by Yi Jun the AD cash deposit rate applicable to GSBF. Commerce will issue its final results of the reviews in accordance with the time limits set forth in 19 CFR 351.216(e).

Public Comment

Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.310(c), any interested party may request a hearing within 14 days of publication of this notice.²⁰ In accordance with 19 CFR 351.309(c)(1)(ii), interested parties may submit case briefs not later than 14 days after the date of publication of this notice.²¹ Rebuttal briefs, limited to issues raised in the case briefs, may be filed no later than seven days after the case briefs, in accordance with 19 CFR 351.309(d). Parties who submit case or rebuttal briefs 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.²² All comments are to be filed electronically using ACCESS, available to registered users at <https://access.trade.gov>, and must also be served on interested parties. An electronically filed document must be received successfully in its entirety by ACCESS by 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time on the day it is due.²³ Note that Commerce has temporarily modified certain requirements for serving documents containing business proprietary information, until further notice.²⁴

Consistent with 19 CFR 351.216(e), we will issue the final results of this changed circumstances review no later than 270 days after the date on which this review was initiated, or within 45 days if all parties agree to our preliminary finding.

Notification to Interested Parties

This notice is published in accordance with sections 751(b)(1) and

777(i) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.216(b), 351.221(b) and 351.221(c)(3).

Dated: November 15, 2021.

Ryan Majerus,

Deputy Assistant Secretary for Policy and Negotiations, Performing the Non-Exclusive Functions and Duties of the Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[A-588-874]

Certain Hot-Rolled Steel Flat Products From Japan: Preliminary Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review and Preliminary Determination of No Shipments; 2019–2020

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

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce (Commerce) preliminarily determines that Nippon Steel Corporation (NSC), producer and exporter of hot-rolled steel flat products (hot-rolled steel) from Japan, sold subject merchandise in the United States at prices below normal value during the period of review (POR) October 1, 2019, through September 30, 2020. In addition, Commerce preliminarily determines that Honda Trading Canada, Inc. (Honda) and Mitsui & CO., Ltd. (Mitsui) had no shipments during the POR. We invite interested parties to comment on these preliminary results.

DATES: Applicable November 19, 2021.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jack Zhao, AD/CVD Operations, Office VII, Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482-1396.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

Commerce is conducting an administrative review of the antidumping duty order on hot-rolled steel from Japan in accordance with section 751(a)(1)(B) of Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act).¹ Commerce initiated this administrative review on

¹ See *Certain Hot-Rolled Steel Flat Products from Australia, Brazil, Japan, the Republic of Korea, the Netherlands, the Republic of Turkey, and the United Kingdom: Amended Final Affirmative Antidumping Determinations for Australia, the Republic of Korea, and the Republic of Turkey and Antidumping Duty Orders*, 81 FR 67962 (October 3, 2016) (Order).

¹¹ *Id.*

¹² *Id.* at Exhibit 2.

¹³ *Id.* at Exhibit 3 and 4.

¹⁴ *Id.* at Exhibit 5.

¹⁵ *Id.* at Exhibit 6.

¹⁶ *Id.* at 3.

¹⁷ Yi Jun clarified that sales of subject merchandise between GSBF Tank and GSBF which were subsequently exported to the United States by GSBF during the underlying investigation were made through an unaffiliated Chinese trading company, and that though this trading company was listed as a supplier of GSBF, this was merely a paper transaction. However, GSBF Tank has since discontinued this relationship, and GSBF Tank now sells directly to GSBF/Yi Jun and no longer utilizes the unaffiliated trading company. *Id.* at 6–7.

¹⁸ *Id.* at Exhibit 7 and 8.

¹⁹ Yi Jun did not provide evidence concerning changes to production facilities, as neither the prior company GSBF, nor Yi Jun produces steel propane cylinders. As noted above, the company acts only as an exporter of the subject merchandise.

²⁰ Commerce is exercising its discretion under 19 CFR 351.310(c) to alter the time limit for requesting a hearing.

²¹ Commerce is exercising its discretion under 19 CFR 351.309(c)(1)(ii) to alter the time limit for the filing of case briefs.

²² See 19 CFR 351.309(c)(2).

²³ See 19 CFR 351.303(b).

²⁴ See *Temporary Rule Modifying AD/CVD Service Requirements Due to COVID-19; Extension of Effective Period*, 85 FR 41363 (July 10, 2020).

December 8, 2020 covering twenty-nine producers and/or exporters.² We selected NSC as mandatory respondent.³ On June 28, 2021, we extended the deadline for the preliminary results of this review by an additional 118 days, in accordance with section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.213(h)(2), resulting in a deadline of October 29, 2021, for these preliminary results.⁴ For a detailed description of the events that followed the initiation of this review, see the Preliminary Decision Memorandum.⁵

Scope of the Order

The merchandise covered by the Order is hot-rolled steel from Japan. For a complete description of the scope of the Order, see the Preliminary Decision Memorandum.⁶

Methodology

Commerce is conducting this administrative review in accordance with section 751(a) of the Act. Constructed export price and export price were calculated in accordance with section 772 of the Act. Normal value is calculated in accordance with section 773 of the Act. For a full description of the methodology underlying our conclusions, see the Preliminary Decision Memorandum. A list of topics discussed in the Preliminary Decision Memorandum is attached as an appendix 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 to 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 on the internet at <https://access.trade.gov/public/FRNoticesListLayout.aspx>.

Preliminary Determination of No Shipments

Among the companies under review, Honda and Mitsui each properly filed a statement reporting that it had made no shipments of subject merchandise to the United States during the POR.⁷ Commerce issued an instruction to the U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) asking for any entry activity regarding Honda and Mitsui.⁸ CBP subsequently confirmed that these two companies had no shipments.⁹ Based on the certifications submitted by Honda and Mitsui, and our analysis of CBP information currently on the record, we preliminarily determine that Honda and Mitsui had no shipments during the POR. Consistent with its practice, Commerce finds that it is not appropriate to preliminarily rescind the review with respect to Honda and Mitsui, but rather to complete the review and issue appropriate instructions to CBP based on the final results of this review.

Rate for Non-Examined Companies

The statute and Commerce's regulations do not address the

establishment of a rate to be applied to companies not selected for individual examination when Commerce limits its examination in an administrative review pursuant to section 777A(c)(2) of the Act. Generally, Commerce looks to section 735(c)(5) of the Act, which provides instructions for calculating the all-others rate in a market economy investigation, for guidance when calculating the rate for companies which were not selected for individual examination in an administrative review. Under section 735(c)(5)(A) of the Act, the all-others rate is normally "an amount equal to the weighted average of the estimated weighted-average dumping margins established for exporters and producers individually investigated, excluding any zero or *de minimis* margins, and any margins determined entirely {on the basis of facts available}."

In this review, we have preliminarily calculated a weighted-average dumping margin for NSC that is not zero, *de minimis*, or determined entirely on the basis of facts available. Accordingly, Commerce preliminarily has assigned to companies not individually examined a margin of 26.81 percent, which is NSC's calculated weighted-average dumping margin.

Preliminary Results

We preliminarily determine the following weighted-average dumping margins for the period October 1, 2019, through September 30, 2020:

Exporter/producer	Weighted-average dumping margin (percent)
Nippon Steel Corporation/Nippon Steel Nisshin Co., Ltd./Nippon Steel Trading Corporation ¹⁰	26.81
Non-Examined Companies	
Hanwa Co., Ltd	26.81
Higuchi Manufacturing America, LLC	26.81

² See *Initiation of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Administrative Reviews*, 85 FR 78990 (December 8, 2020).

³ See Memorandum "Respondent Selection for the 2019–2020 Antidumping Duty Administrative Review of Certain Hot-Rolled Steel Flat Products from Japan," dated June 29, 2021.

⁴ See Memorandum, "Certain Hot-Rolled Steel Flat Products from Japan: Extension of Deadline for Preliminary Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review—2019–2020," dated June 28, 2021.

⁵ See Memorandum, "Decision Memorandum for the Preliminary Results of the Antidumping Duty Administrative Review and Preliminary Determination of No Shipments: Certain Hot-Rolled Steel Flat Products from Japan; 2019–2020," dated concurrently with, and hereby adopted by, this notice (Preliminary Decision Memorandum).

⁶ *Id.*

⁷ See Honda's Letter, "Administrative Review of Certain Hot-Rolled Steel Flat Products from Japan: Honda Trading Canada, Inc.'s No Shipment Certification," dated December 21, 2020; see also Mitsui's Letter, "Antidumping Administrative Review of Certain Hot-Rolled Steel Flat Products from Japan: Mitsui No Shipment Notification," dated December 21, 2020.

⁸ See No Shipment Inquiry to CBP, dated October 5, 2021.

⁹ See Memoranda, "Certain Hot-Rolled Steel Flat Products from Japan (A–588–874): No Shipment Inquiry for Honda Trading Canada, Inc. during the period 10/01/2019 through 09/30/2020," and "Certain Hot-Rolled Steel Flat Products from Japan (A–588–874): No Shipment Inquiries for Mitsui & Co., Ltd. during the period 10/01/2019 through 09/30/2020," both dated October 15, 2021.

¹⁰ Commerce found in a changed circumstances review that NSC, Nippon Steel Nisshin Co., Ltd., and Nippon Steel Trading Corporation are affiliated

companies that should be treated as a single entity and as the successor-in-interest to Nippon Steel & Sumitomo Metal Corporation, Nisshin Steel Co., Ltd., and Nippon Steel & Sumikin Bussan Corporation, respectively. See *Certain Hot-Rolled Steel Flat Products from Japan: Notice of Final Results of Antidumping Duty Changed Circumstances Review*, 84 FR 46713 (September 5, 2019). Because there is no information on the record of this administrative review that would lead us to revisit this determination, we are continuing to treat these companies as part of a single entity for the purposes of this administrative review.

¹¹ We collapsed JFE Shoji Trade Corporation with JFE Steel Corporation in the underlying investigation. See *Certain Hot-Rolled Steel Flat Products from Japan: Preliminary Determination of Sales at Less than Fair Value and Postponement of Final Determination*, 81 FR 15222 (March 22, 2016), and accompanying Preliminary Decision Memorandum at 8–9.

Exporter/producer	Weighted-average dumping margin (percent)
Higuchi Seisakusho Co., Ltd	26.81
Hitachi Metals, Ltd	26.81
JFE Steel Corporation/JFE Shoji Trade Corporation ¹¹	26.81
JFE Shoji Trade America	26.81
Kanematsu Corporation	26.81
Kobe Steel, Ltd	26.81
Metal One Corporation	26.81
Miyama Industry Co., Ltd	26.81
Nakagawa Special Steel Inc	26.81
Nippon Steel & Sumikin Logistics Co., Ltd	26.81
Okaya & Co. Ltd	26.81
Panasonic Corporation	26.81
Saint-Gobain K.K	26.81
Shinsho Corporation	26.81
Sumitomo Corporation	26.81
Suzukaku Co., Ltd	26.81
Suzukaku Corporation	26.81
Tokyo Steel Manufacturing Co., Ltd	26.81
Toyota Tsusho Corporation Nagoya	26.81

Assessment Rates

Upon completion of the administrative review, Commerce shall determine, and CBP shall assess, antidumping duties on all appropriate entries. For any individually examined respondent whose weighted-average dumping margin is not zero or *de minimis* (i.e., less than 0.5 percent) in the final results of this review and the respondent reported reliable entered values, we will calculate importer-specific *ad valorem* assessment rates for the merchandise based on the ratio of the total amount of dumping calculated for the examined sales made during the POR to each importer and the total entered value of those same sales, in accordance with 19 CFR 351.212(b)(1). If the respondent has not reported reliable entered values, we will calculate a per-unit assessment rate for each importer by dividing the total amount of dumping calculated for the examined sales made to that importer by the total sales quantity associated with those transactions. Where an importer-specific *ad valorem* assessment rate is zero or *de minimis* in the final results of review, we will instruct CBP to liquidate the appropriate entries without regard to antidumping duties in accordance with 19 CFR 351.106(c)(2). If a respondent's weighted-average dumping margin is zero or *de minimis* in the final results of review, we will instruct CBP not to assess duties on any of its entries in accordance with the *Final Modification for Reviews*, i.e., “{w}here the weighted-average margin of dumping for the exporter is

determined to be zero or *de minimis*, no antidumping duties will be assessed.”¹²

For entries of subject merchandise during the POR produced by NSC for which the producer did not know its merchandise was destined for the United States, or for any respondent for which we have a final determination of no shipments, we will instruct CBP to liquidate unreviewed entries at the all-others rate if there is no rate for the intermediate company (or companies) involved in the transaction.¹³

Commerce intends 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).

Cash Deposit Requirements

The following deposit requirements will be effective upon publication of the notice of final results of this administrative review for all shipments of the subject merchandise entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after the date of publication, as provided by section 751(a)(2)(C) of the Act: (1) The cash deposit rate for each specific company

listed above will be that established in the final results of this review, except if the rate is less than 0.50 percent, and therefore *de minimis* within the meaning of 19 CFR 351.106(c)(1), in which case the cash deposit rate will be zero; (2) for previously investigated companies not participating in this review, the cash deposit will continue to be the company-specific rate published for the most recently completed segment of this proceeding in which the company participated; (3) if the exporter is not a firm covered in this review, or the underlying investigation, but the manufacturer is, then the cash deposit rate will be the rate established for the most recent segment for the manufacturer of the merchandise; and (4) the cash deposit rate for all other manufacturers or exporters will continue to be 5.58 percent, the all-others rate established in the less-than-fair-value investigation.¹⁴ These deposit requirements, when imposed, shall remain in effect until further notice.

Disclosure and Public Comment

We intend to disclose the calculations performed for these preliminary results of review to interested parties within five days of the date of publication of this notice in accordance with 19 CFR 351.224(b). Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.309(c), interested parties may submit case briefs no later than 30 days after the date of publication of this notice. Rebuttal briefs, the content of which is limited to issues raised in the case briefs, may be filed no later than seven days after the date for filing case briefs.¹⁵ Parties who submit case briefs

¹² See *Antidumping Proceedings: Calculation of the Weighted-Average Dumping Margin and Assessment Rate in Certain Antidumping Proceedings; Final Modification*, 77 FR 8101, 8102 (February 14, 2012) (*Final Modification for Reviews*).

¹³ See *Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Proceedings: Assessment of Antidumping Duties*, 68 FR 23954 (May 6, 2003).

¹⁴ See *Order*.

¹⁵ See 19 CFR 351.309(d).

or rebuttal briefs in this proceeding 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.¹⁶ Case and rebuttal briefs should be filed using ACCESS¹⁷ and must be served on interested parties.¹⁸ Executive summaries should be limited to five pages total, including footnotes.

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 via ACCESS. An electronically filed request must be received successfully in its entirety by 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time within 30 days of the date of publication of this notice.¹⁹ Requests should contain: (1) The party's name, address, and telephone number; (2) the number of participants; and (3) a list of issues parties intend to discuss. If a request for a hearing is made, Commerce intends to hold the hearing at a date and time to be determined.²⁰ Parties should confirm the date, time, and location of the hearing two days before the scheduled date.

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 extended.²¹

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

We are issuing and publishing these results in accordance with sections 751(a)(1) and 777(i)(1) of the Act.

Dated: October 29, 2021.

Ryan Majerus,

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

Appendix

List of Topics Discussed in the Preliminary Decision Memorandum

- I. Summary
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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

Notice of Intent To Conduct Scoping and To Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement for the Proposed Designation of a National Marine Sanctuary Within Papahānaumokuākea Marine National Monument

AGENCY: Office of National Marine Sanctuaries, National Ocean Service, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of Intent to prepare a draft environmental impact statement and hold public scoping meetings; request for comments.

SUMMARY: The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), in cooperation with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS), the State of Hawai'i, and the Office of Hawaiian Affairs (OHA), is initiating the process to consider designating marine portions of Papahānaumokuākea Marine National Monument as a national marine sanctuary. Per the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and National Marine Sanctuaries Act (NMSA), NOAA will prepare a draft environmental impact statement (DEIS) for the sanctuary designation process to evaluate potential environmental effects of this action. NOAA will also coordinate its responsibility under the National Historic Preservation Act with the NEPA process. NOAA is initiating the public scoping process to invite comments on the scope and significance of issues to be addressed in the environmental impact statement that are

related to designating this area as a national marine sanctuary. The results of this scoping process will assist NOAA in moving forward with the designation process, including preparation and release of draft designation documents, and formulating alternatives for the DEIS.

DATES: Comments must be received by NOAA on or before January 31, 2022. NOAA will host virtual public scoping meetings and will allow for comments in both English and Hawaiian ('Ōlelo Hawai'i) at the following dates and times:

- Wednesday, December 8, 2021, 6 p.m. HST
- Saturday, December 11, 2021, 12 p.m. HST
- Tuesday, December 14, 2021, 6 p.m. HST
- Thursday, December 16, 2021, 3 p.m. HST

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments on this notice by any of the following methods:

Federal e-Rulemaking Portal: Go to <https://www.regulations.gov> and enter "NOAA-NOS-2021-0114" in the Search box. Click on the "Comment" icon, complete the required fields, and enter or attach your comments.

Mail: Send any hard copy public comments by mail to: PMNM-Sanctuary Designation, NOAA/ONMS, 1845 Wasp Blvd., Bldg 176, Honolulu, HI 96818.

Public Scoping Meetings: Provide oral comments during virtual public scoping meetings, as described under **DATES**. Webinar registration details and additional information about how to participate in these public scoping meetings is available at <https://sanctuaries.noaa.gov/papahanaumokuakea/>.

Instructions: Comments sent by any other method, to any other address or individual, or received after the end of the comment period, may not be considered. All comments received are a part of the public record and will generally be posted for public viewing on <https://www.regulations.gov> without change. All personal identifying information (for example: name, address, etc.), confidential business information, or otherwise sensitive information submitted voluntarily by the commenter will be publicly accessible. NOAA will accept anonymous comments (enter "N/A" in the required fields if you wish to remain anonymous).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Athline Clark, (808) 725-5800, Athline.Clark@noaa.gov, NOAA Superintendent Papahānaumokuākea Marine National Monument and

¹⁶ See 19 CFR 351.309(c)(2) and (d)(2).

¹⁷ See generally 19 CFR 351.303.

¹⁸ See 19 CFR 351.303(f).

¹⁹ See 19 CFR 351.310(c).

²⁰ See 19 CFR 351.310(d).

²¹ See section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act; and 19 CFR 351.213(h).