

cylinders from the People's Republic of China ("PRC"). *See High Pressure Steel Cylinders From the People's Republic of China: Initiation of Countervailing Duty Investigation*, 76 FR 33239 (June 8, 2011). Currently, the preliminary determination is due no later than August 4, 2011.

Postponement of Due Date for Preliminary Determination

Section 703(b)(1) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended ("the Act"), requires the Department to issue the preliminary determination in a countervailing duty investigation within 65 days after the date on which the Department initiated the investigation. However, if the Department concludes that the parties concerned in the investigation are cooperating in the investigation and determines that the investigation is extraordinarily complicated, section 703(c)(1)(B) of the Act allows the Department to postpone making the preliminary determination until no later than 130 days after the date on which the administering authority initiated the investigation.

The Department has determined that the parties involved in the proceeding are cooperating and that the investigation is extraordinarily complicated. *See* section 703(c)(1)(B) of the Act. Specifically, the Department is currently investigating alleged subsidy programs involving loans, grants, income tax incentives, and the provision of goods or services for less than adequate remuneration. Due to the number and complexity of the alleged countervailable subsidy practices being investigated, it is not practicable to complete the preliminary determination of this investigation within the original time limit (*i.e.*, August 4, 2011).

Therefore, in accordance with section 703(c)(1)(B) of the Act, we are fully extending the due date for the preliminary determination to no later than 130 days after the day on which the investigation was initiated.

However, as that date falls on a Saturday (*i.e.*, October 8, 2011), and October 10, 2011, is a Federal Holiday, the deadline for completion of the preliminary determination is now Tuesday, October 11, 2011, the next business day.

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

Dated: July 13, 2011.

Ronald K. Lorentzen,
Deputy Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Institute of Standards and Technology

[Docket No.: 110701366-1365-01]

Establishment of a Team Under the National Construction Safety Team Act

AGENCY: National Institute of Standards and Technology, United States Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Director of the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST), United States Department of Commerce, announces the establishment of a National Construction Safety Team pursuant to the National Construction Safety Team Act. The Team was established to study the effects of the tornado that touched down in Joplin, MO, on May 22, 2011.

DATES: The National Construction Safety Team was established on June 29, 2011.

ADDRESSES: Tina Faecke, Engineering Laboratory, National Institute of Standards and Technology, Mail Stop 8604, Gaithersburg, MD 20899-8604, telephone number (301) 975-5911. Members of the public are encouraged to submit to the Team non-privileged evidence that is relevant to the subject matter of the NIST investigation described in this notice. Such evidence may be submitted to the address contained in this section. Confidential information will only be accepted pursuant to an appropriate nondisclosure agreement.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Eric Letvin, Director, Disaster Failure and Studies Program, Engineering Laboratory, National Institute of Standards and Technology, Mail Stop 8611, Gaithersburg, MD 20899-8611, telephone number (301) 975-5412.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Authority: 15 U.S.C. 7301 *et seq.*, 15 CFR Part 270.

Background

The National Construction Safety Team Act (Act), 15 U.S.C. 7301 *et seq.*, authorizes the Director of the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) to establish investigative teams (Teams) to assess building performance and emergency response and evacuation procedures in the wake of any building failure that has resulted in substantial loss of life or that posed significant potential of substantial loss of life. The purpose of investigations by Teams is to improve the safety and structural integrity of buildings in the United States. As stated in the statute, a Team

will (1) Establish the likely technical cause or causes of the building failure; (2) evaluate the technical aspects of evacuation and emergency response procedures; (3) recommend, as necessary, specific improvements to building standards, codes, and practices based on the findings made pursuant to (1) and (2); and (4) recommend any research and other appropriate actions needed to improve the structural safety of buildings, and improve evacuation and emergency response procedures, based on the findings of the investigation. NIST has promulgated regulations implementing the Act, which are found at 15 CFR Part 270.

NIST sent a preliminary reconnaissance team to collect information and data related to the tornado that touched down in Joplin, MO, on May 22, 2011. Based on the recommendations of the preliminary reconnaissance team and evaluation of the criteria listed in the regulations implementing the Act, specifically in 15 CFR 270.102, on June 29, 2011, the Director of the NIST, United States Department of Commerce, established a Team to study the effects of the tornado that touched down in Joplin, MO, on May 22. The NIST Director will appoint the members of the Team. The Team may include members who are Federal employees and members who are not Federal employees. Team members who are Federal employees are governed by the Federal conflict of interest laws. Team members who are not Federal employees will be Federal government contractors, and conflicts of interest related to their service on the Team will be governed by FAR Subpart 9.5, Organizational and Consultant Conflicts of Interest, which will be incorporated by reference into all such contracts.

Members of the public are encouraged to submit to the Team non-privileged data and artifacts that are relevant to the subject matter of the NIST investigation described in this notice. Such data and artifacts may be submitted to the address contained in the **ADDRESSES** section of this notice. Confidential information will only be accepted pursuant to an appropriate nondisclosure agreement.

Dated: July 12, 2011.

Charles H. Romine,
Acting Associate Director for Laboratory Programs.

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