# LIST OF PETITIONS RECEIVED BY EDA FOR CERTIFICATION OF ELIGIBILITY TO APPLY FOR TRADE ADJUSTMENT ASSISTANCE FOR THE PERIOD—Continued

[November 21, 2006 Through December 20, 2006]

Firm	Address	Date petition accepted	Product
St. Clair Plastics. Fotel, Inc	30855 Teton Place, Chester- field Township, MI 40847. 1125 E. St. Charles Rd., Suite 100, Lombard, IL 60148.	12/13/2006 12/18/2006	Plastic injection molded parts for the auto industry Photographic masks, high precision plates containing microscopic images of elec- tronic circuits

Any party having a substantial interest in these proceedings may request a public hearing on the matter. A written request for a hearing must be submitted to the Office of Performance Evaluation, Room 7009, Economic Development Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, Washington, DC 20230, no later than ten (10) calendar days following publication of this notice. Please follow the procedures set forth in Section 315.9 of EDA's final rule (71 FR 56704) for procedures for requesting a public hearing. The Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance official program number and title of the program under which these petitions are submitted is 11.313, Trade Adjustment Assistance.

Dated: December 20, 2006. William P. Kittredge, Program Officer for TAA.

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#### DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

#### **International Trade Administration**

#### Initiation of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Administrative Reviews

AGENCY: Import Administration,
International Trade Administration,
Department of Commerce.
SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce
(the Department) has received requests
to conduct administrative reviews of
various antidumping and countervailing
duty orders and findings with
November anniversary dates. In
accordance with the Department's
regulations, we are initiating those
administrative reviews.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** December 27, 2006. **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Sheila E. Forbes, Office of AD/CVD Operations, Import Administration, International Trade Administration,

U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20230, telephone: (202) 482–4697.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

## **Background**

The Department has received timely requests, in accordance with 19 CFR 351.213(b)(2004), for administrative reviews of various antidumping and countervailing duty orders and findings with November anniversary dates.

#### **Initiation of Reviews**

In accordance with section 19 CFR 351.221(c)(1)(i), we are initiating administrative reviews of the following antidumping and countervailing duty orders and findings. We intend to issue the final results of these reviews not later than November 30, 2007.

Antidumping Duty Proceedings	Period to be Reviewed
MEXICO: Circular Welded Non–Alloy Steel Pipe and Tube. A–201–805	11/1/05 - 10/31/06
Mueller Comercial de Mexico, S. de R.L. de C.V NETHERLANDS: Certain Hot–Rolled Carbon Steel Flat Products.	
A-421-807	11/1/05 - 10/31/06
Corus Staal B.V  ROMANIA: Certain Hot–Rolled Carbon Steel Flat Products.	
A-485-806 Mittal Steel Galati S.A. (formerly known as S.C. Sidex S.A., including Sidex O.O. Trading	11/1/05 - 10/31/06
S.A.).	
THAILAND: Certain Hot–Rolled Carbon Steel Flat Products.  A–549–817	11/1/05 - 10/31/06
Nakornthai Strip Mill Public Company Ltd G Steel Public Company Limited.	
THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA: Certain Hot-Rolled Carbon Steel Flat Products <sup>1</sup> .	
A-570-865 Anshan Iron & Steel Group Corp	11/1/05 - 10/31/06
Angang Group International Trade Corp	
Angang New Iron and Steel Co Angang New Steel Co., Ltd	
Angang Group Hong Kong Co., Ltd.	
Shanghai Baosteel International Economic & Trading Co., Ltd  Baoshan Iron and Steel Co., Ltd	
Baosteel Group Corporation.	
THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA: Fresh Garlic <sup>2</sup> .  A-570-831	11/1/05 - 10/31/06
Angiu Friend Food Co., Ltd APS Qindao.	.,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,
Fujian Meitan Import & Export Xiamen Corporation.	
Golden Bridge International, Inc Henan Weite Industrial Co., Ltd	

Antidumping Duty Proceedings	Period to be Reviewed
Heze Ever-Best International Trade Co., Ltd. (f/k/a Shandong Heze.	
International Trade and Developing Company).	
Hongchang Fruits & Vegetable Products.	
Huaiyang Hongda Dehydrated Vegetable Company.	
Jinxiang Dongyun Freezing Storage Co., Ltd. (a/k/a Jinxiang Eastward Shipping Import and	
Export Limited Company.	
Jining Haijiang Trading Co., Ltd	
Jining Solar Summit Trade Co., Ltd	
Jinxiang Shanyang Freezing Storage Co., Ltd	
Jinan Farmlady Trading Co., Ltd	
Jinan Yipin Corporation, Ltd	
Jining Trans–High Trading Co., Ltd.	
Jinxian County Huaguang Food Import & Export Co., Ltd	
Laiwu Hongyang Trading Company Ltd	
Linshu Dading Private Agricultural Products Co., Ltd Omni Decor China Ltd	
Pizhou Guangda Import and Export Co., Ltd	
Qingdao Bedow Foodstuffs Co., Ltd	
Qingdao Camel Trading Co., Ltd	
Qingdao H&T Food Co., Ltd	
Qingdao Potenza Import & Export Co., Ltd	
Qingdao Xintianfeng Foods Co., Ltd. (QXF).	
Qingdao Tiantaixing Foods Co., Ltd. (QTF).	
Qingdao Titan Shipping LLC.	
Qingdao Saturn International Trade Co., Ltd	
Qingdao Shiboliang Food Co., Ltd	
Qufu Dongbao Import & Export Trade Co., Ltd	
Rizhao Xingda Foodstuffs Co., Ltd	
Shandong Chengshun Farm Produce Trading Co., Ltd	
Shandong Dongsheng Eastsun Foods Co., Ltd	
Shandong Garlic Company.	
Shandong Longtai Fruits and Vegetables Co., Ltd	
Shandong Wonderland Organic Food Co., Ltd	
Shanghai Ba–Shi Yuexin Logistics Development.	
Shanghai Ever Rich Trade Company.	
Shanghai LJ International Trading Co., Ltd Shanghai McCormick Foods Co., Ltd	
Shenzhen Fanhui Import & Export Co., Ltd	
Shenzhen Xinboda Industrial Co., Ltd	
Sunny Import & Export Limited.	
T&S International, LLC.	
Taian Fook Huat Tong Kee Pte. Ltd	
Taiyan Ziyang Food Čo., Ltd	
Weifang Honggiao International Logistic Co., Ltd	
Weifang Shennong Foodstuff Co., Ltd	
Xiang Cheng Sunny Foodstuff Factory.	
XuZhou Simple Garlic Industry Co., Ltd	
Zhangqui Qingyuan Vegetable Co., Ltd	
Zhengzhou Harmoni Spice Co., Ltd	
Countervailing Duty Proceedings.	
Suspension Agreements.	

None..

None..

<sup>1</sup> If one of the above-named companies does not qualify for a separate rate, all other exporters of certain hot-rolled carbon steel flat products from the People's Republic of China who have not qualified for a separate rate are deemed to be covered by this review as part of the single PRC entity of which the named exporters are a part

<sup>2</sup> If one of the above-named companies does not qualify for a separate rate, all other exporters of Fresh Garlic from the People's Republic of China who have not qualified for a separate rate are deemed to be covered by this review as part of the single PRC entity of which the named exporters are a part.

During any administrative review covering all or part of a period falling between the first and second or third and fourth anniversary of the publication of an antidumping duty order under section 351.211 or a determination under section 351.218(f)(4) to continue an order or suspended investigation (after sunset review), the Secretary, if requested by a domestic interested party within 30

days of the date of publication of the notice of initiation of the review, will determine, consistent with *FAG Italia v. United States*, 291 F.3d 806 (Fed. Cir. 2002), as appropriate, whether antidumping duties have been absorbed by an exporter or producer subject to the review if the subject merchandise is sold in the United States through an importer that is affiliated with such exporter or producer. The request must

include the name(s) of the exporter or producer for which the inquiry is requested.

Interested parties must submit applications for disclosure under administrative protective orders in accordance with 19 CFR 351.305.

These initiations and this notice are in accordance with section 751(a) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (19 USC 1675(a)), and 19 CFR 351.221(c)(1)(i).

Dated: December 19, 2006.

#### Stephen J. Claeys,

Deputy Assistant Secretaryfor Import Administration.

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## **DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

#### **International Trade Administration**

Antidumping Proceedings: Calculation of the Weighted–Average Dumping Margin During an Antidumping Investigation; Final Modification

**AGENCY:** Import Administration, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

**ACTION:** Final Modification; Calculation of the Weighted–Average Dumping Margin During an Antidumping Investigation.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Commerce is modifying its methodology in antidumping investigations with respect to the calculation of the weightedaverage dumping margin. This final modification is necessary to implement the recommendations of the World Trade Organization Dispute Settlement Body. Under this final modification, the Department will no longer make average-to-average comparisons in investigations without providing offsets for non-dumped comparisons. The schedule for implementing this change is set forth in the "Timetable" section, below.

**DATES:** The effective date of this final modification is January 16, 2007.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mark Barnett (202) 482–2866, William

Mark Barnett (202) 482–2866, William Kovatch (202) 482–5052, or Michael Rill at (202) 482–3058.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

## Background

This change in methodology concerns the calculation of the weighted—average dumping margin in investigations using the average—to-average comparison methodology.

Article 2.4.2 of the Agreement on Implementation of Article VI of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade 1994 (Antidumping Agreement) provides:

Subject to the provisions governing fair comparison in paragraph 4, the existence of margins of dumping during the investigation phase shall normally be established on the basis of a comparison of a weighted average normal value with a weighted average of prices of all comparable export transactions or

by a comparison of normal value and export prices on a transaction to transaction basis.

Section 777A(d)(1)(A) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act), implements this provision of the Antidumping Agreement, providing that normally in an antidumping investigation, the Department may determine whether the subject merchandise is being sold at less than fair value through one of two options. The Department may compare a weighted-average of normal value to a weighted-average of the export or constructed export prices of comparable merchandise, known as the average-toaverage comparison methodology. The Department also may compare normal values of individual transactions to the export prices or constructed export prices of individual transactions for comparable merchandise, known as the transaction-to-transaction comparison methodology.1 The Statement of Administrative Action accompanying the Uruguay Round Agreements Act (URAA), H.R. Doc. No. 103-316, Vol. 1 at 842-43 (1994), reprinted in U.S.C.C.A.N. 3773 (SAA), and the Department's regulations state that the Department normally will use the average-to-average comparison methodology in an investigation. 19 CFR 351.414(c)(1).

When the Department applies the average—to-average methodology during an investigation, the Department usually divides the export transactions into groups by model and level of trade ("averaging groups"). 19 CFR 351.414(d)(2). The Department then compares an average of the export prices or constructed export price of the transactions within one averaging group to the weighted—average of normal values of such sales. 19 CFR 351.414(d)(1).

Prior to this modification, when aggregating the results of the averaging groups in order to determine the weighted—average dumping margin, the Department did not permit the results of averaging groups for which the weighted—average export price or constructed export price exceeds the normal value to offset the results of

averaging groups for which the weighted—average export price or constructed export price is less than the weighted—average normal value.

In October 2005, a World Trade Organization (WTO) dispute settlement panel issued a report in United States -Laws, Regulations and Methodology for Calculating Dumping Margins ("Zeroing") (WT/DS294) ("US Zeroing (EC)"). The panel found, among other things, that the Department's denial of offsets when using the average-toaverage comparison methodology in certain antidumping investigations challenged by the European Communities ("EC") was inconsistent with Article 2.4.2 of the Antidumping Agreement.<sup>2</sup> The United States did not appeal this aspect of the panel's report.

On March 6, 2006, the Department published a notice in the Federal Register (71 FR 11189) proposing that it would no longer make average-toaverage comparisons in investigations without providing offsets for nondumped comparisons. In that notice, the Department solicited comments and rebuttal comments on its proposal and appropriate methodologies to be applied in future antidumping investigations in light of the panel's report in USZeroing (EC). On April 25, 2006, the Department extended the period of time for the submission of rebuttal comments (71 FR 23898). The Department received numerous comments and rebuttal comments submitted pursuant to these notices, as discussed below.

## Final Modification Concerning the Calculation of the Weighted–Average Dumping Margin During an Antidumping Investigation

After considering all of the comments submitted, the Department is adopting this final modification concerning the calculation of the weighted—average dumping margin. The Department will no longer make average—to-average comparisons in investigations without providing offsets for non—dumped comparisons.

## **Analysis of Public Comments**

Numerous comments and rebuttal comments were submitted in response to the Proposed Modification. We have carefully considered each of the comments submitted. We have grouped and summarized the comments below according to common themes and responded accordingly.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Section 777A(d)(1)(B) of the Act also provides for an exceptional methodology to be used in antidumping investigations. The Department may compare a weighted-average normal value to the export prices or constructed export prices of individual transactions if there is a pattern of export prices or constructed export prices that differs significantly among purchasers, regions or periods of time, and the Department explains why such differences cannot be taken into account using one of the methods described in section 777A(d)(1)(A). This is known as the targeted dumping or average-to-transaction methodology.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Panel Report, *United States - Laws, Regulations and Methodology for Calculating Dumping Margins* (*''Zeroing''*), WT/DS294/R, para. 7.32, circulated October 31, 2005.