DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[A-570-836]

Glycine From the People's Republic of China: Extension of Time Limit for Preliminary Results of the New Shipper Review

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

ACTION: Notice of extension of time limit for preliminary results of antidumping duty administrative review.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce ("the Department") is extending the time limit for the preliminary results of a new shipper review of glycine from the People's Republic of China ("China"). This review covers one Chinese producer, Nantong Dongchang Chemical Industry Corp. ("Nantong"), for the period March 1, 1999 through August 31, 1999.

EFFECTIVE DATE: May 26, 2000.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Maria Dybczak at (202) 482–5811; Office of AD/CVD Enforcement, Group III, Office 9, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C. 20230.

The Applicable Statute

Unless otherwise indicated, all citations to the statute are references to the provisions effective January 1, 1995, the effective date of the amendments made to the Tariff Act of 1930 ("the Act") by the Uruguay Round Agreements Act ("URAA").

Postponement of Preliminary Results

The Department has determined that it is not practicable to issue its preliminary results of the administrative review within the current time limit of June 28, 2000. See Decision

Memorandum from Edward C. Yang,
Office Director to Joseph A. Spetrini,
Deputy Assistant Secretary,
Enforcement Group III, May 16, 2000.
The Department is extending the time limit for completion of the preliminary results until August 28, 2000 in accordance with Section 751(a)(2)(B)(iv) of the Act.

The deadline for the final results of this review will continue to be 90 days after the signature date of the preliminary results. Dated: May 16, 2000.

Joseph A. Spetrini,

Deputy Assistant Secretary, Enforcement Group III.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration [A-337-804]

Certain Preserved Mushrooms From Chile: Preliminary Rescission of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review

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

ACTION: Notice of preliminary rescission of antidumping duty administrative review.

SUMMARY: In response to a timely request from the petitioners, 1 on January 26, 2000, the Department of Commerce published a notice of initiation of an administrative review of the antidumping duty order on certain preserved mushrooms from Chile with respect to Nature's Farm Products (Chile) S.A. and Ravine Foods Inc. covering the period August 5, 1998, through November 30, 1999. See Initiation of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Administrative Reviews, 65 FR 42280 (January 26, 2000). ² The Department of Commerce is now preliminarily rescinding this review as a result of the absence of imports and entries into the United States of subject merchandise during the period of review.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Applicable Statute

Unless otherwise indicated, all citations to the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended ("the Act"), are references to the provisions effective January 1, 1995, the effective date of the amendments made to the Act by the Uruguay Round Agreements Act. In addition, unless otherwise indicated, all citations to the Department of Commerce's regulations are to 19 CFR part 351 (1999).

Background

On January 21, 2000, the Department ("the Department") issued the antidumping questionnaire to Nature's Farm Products (Chile) S.A. ("NFP") via its U.S. parent, Nature Farm Products, Inc., and Ravine Foods Inc. ("Ravine"), a Canadian company. On January 26, 2000, the Department published a notice of initiation of an administrative review of the antidumping duty order on certain preserved mushrooms from Chile with respect to NFP and Ravine (65 FR 4228). On February 28, 2000, Ravine advised the Department that the company did not export the subject merchandise to the United States during the period of review ("POR")

To confirm the accuracy of Ravine's claim, the Department performed a customs query on entries of the subject merchandise exported from Chile and Canada. In so doing, the Department examined U.S. Customs import statistics, and found no imports of the subject merchandise by Ravine, NFP, or any other company from Chile to the United States during the period of review ("POR"). We also found no imports of the subject merchandise from Canada. Accordingly, there is no basis for applying facts available in this instance with regard to NFP, which did not respond to our questionnaire. See March 14, 2000, memorandum, "U.S. Customs Data on Imports of the Subject Merchandise," from David J. Goldberger to Irene Darzenta Tzafolias. The petitioners did not comment on these findings.

Scope of the Review

The products covered by this review are certain preserved mushrooms whether imported whole, sliced, diced, or as stems and pieces. The preserved mushrooms covered under this review are the species *Agaricus bisporus* and *Agaricus bitorquis*. "Preserved mushrooms" refer to mushrooms that have been prepared or preserved by

¹The petitioners are the Coalition for Fair Preserved Mushroom Trade which includes the American Mushroom Institute and the following domestic companies: L.K. Bowman, Inc., Nottingham, PA; Modern Mushrooms Farms, Inc., Toughkernamon, PA; Monterrey Mushrooms, Inc., Watsonville, CA; Mount Laurel Canning Corp., Temple, PA; Mushrooms Canning Company, Kennett Square, PA; Southwood Farms, Hockessin, DE; Sunny Dell Foods, Inc., Oxford, PA; United Canning Corp., North Lima, OH.

² On December 14, 1999, the Department published a notice of "Opportunity To Request Administrative Review" which inadvertently omitted the antidumping duty order on preserved mushrooms from Chile. Therefore, on December 16, 1999, the Department informed interested parties that they could request an administrative review of the antidumping duty order on certain preserved mushrooms from Chile no later than January 3, 2000