

practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden (including hours and cost) of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval of this information collection; they also will become a matter of public record.

Dated: February 3, 2000.

Linda Engelmeier,

Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Bureau of Export Administration

President's Export Council Subcommittee on Encryption; Notice of Open Meeting

The President's Export Council Subcommittee on Encryption (PECSENC) will meet on February 25, 2000, at the Hewlett-Packard Company, Spyglass Room, Building 5, 1501 Page Mill Road, Palo Alto, California, 94304. The meeting will begin at 9:00 a.m. and is scheduled to adjourn at 4 p.m. The Subcommittee provides advice on matters pertinent to policies regarding commercial encryption products.

Open Session: 9:00 a.m.-4 p.m.

1. Opening remarks by the Chairman
2. Presentation of papers or comments by the public
3. Update on Bureau of Export Administration initiatives
4. Issue briefings
5. Open discussion

The meeting is open to the public and a limited number of seats will be available. Reservations are not required. To the extent time permits, members of the public may present oral statements to the PECSENC. The public may submit written statements at any time before or after the meeting. However, to facilitate distribution of public presentation materials to PECSENC members, the PECSENC suggests that public presentation materials or comments be forwarded before the meeting to the address listed below: Ms. Lee Ann Carpenter, Advisory Committees MS:

3876, U.S. Department of Commerce, 15th St. & Pennsylvania Ave, NW, Washington, DC 20230.

For more information, contact Ms. Carpenter on (202) 482-2583.

Dated: February 3, 2000.

Brian Nilsson,

Acting Assistant Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[A-122-804, C-122-805]

Continuation of Antidumping Duty Order and Countervailing Duty Order: New Steel Rail From Canada

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

ACTION: Notice of continuation of antidumping duty order and countervailing duty order: new steel rail from Canada.

SUMMARY: On December 29, and December 30, 1999, respectively, the Department of Commerce ("the Department"), pursuant to sections 751(c) and 752 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended ("the Act"), determined that revocation of the antidumping duty order and countervailing duty order on new steel rail from Canada would likely lead to continuation or recurrence of dumping and a countervailable subsidy (64 FR 73013 (December 29, 1999) and 64 FR 73519 (December 30, 1999), respectively). On January 26, 2000, the International Trade Commission ("the Commission"), pursuant to section 751(c) of the Act, determined that revocation of the antidumping duty order and countervailing duty order on new steel rail from Canada would be likely to lead to continuation or recurrence of material injury to an industry in the United States within a reasonably foreseeable time (65 FR 4261 (January 26, 2000)). Therefore, pursuant to 19 CFR 351.218(f)(4), the Department is publishing this notice of the continuation of the antidumping duty order and countervailing duty order on new steel rail from Canada.

DATES: February 9, 2000.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Darla D. Brown or Melissa G. Skinner, Office of Policy for Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20230;

telephone: (202) 482-3207 or (202) 482-1560, respectively.

Background

On June 1, 1999, the Department initiated, and the Commission instituted, sunset reviews (64 FR 23596 and 64 FR 23677, respectively) of the antidumping duty order and countervailing duty order on new steel rail from Canada pursuant to section 751(c) of the Act. As a result of these reviews, the Department found that revocation of the antidumping duty order would likely lead to continuation or recurrence of dumping and revocation of the countervailing duty order would likely lead to continuation or recurrence of a countervailable subsidy. The Department notified the Commission of the magnitude of the margin likely to prevail, the net countervailable subsidy, and the nature of the subsidy likely to prevail were the antidumping duty order and countervailing duty order revoked.¹

On January 26, 2000, the Commission determined, pursuant to section 751(c) of the Act, that revocation of the antidumping duty order and countervailing duty order would likely lead to continuation or recurrence of material injury to an industry in the United States within a reasonably foreseeable time.²

Scope

The merchandise subject to this antidumping duty order and this countervailing duty order is new steel rail, whether of carbon, high carbon, alloy or other quality steel from Canada. Subject merchandise includes, but is not limited to, standard rails, all main line sections (at least 30 kilograms per meter or 60 pounds per yard), heat-treated or head-hardened (premium) rails, transit rails, contact rails (or "third rail") and crane rails. Rails are used by the railroad industry, by rapid transit lines, by subways, in mines, and in industrial applications.

Specifically excluded from the order are light rails (less than 30 kilograms per meter or 60 pounds per yard). Also excluded from the order are relay rails, which are used rails taken up from primary railroad track and relaid in a railroad yard or on a secondary track. As a result of a changed circumstances review in 1996, the antidumping duty

¹ See *Final Results of Expedited Sunset Review: New Steel Rail from Canada*, 64 FR 73013 (December 29, 1999) and *Final Results of Expedited Sunset Review: New Steel Rail from Canada*, 64 FR 73519 (December 30, 1999).

² See *Steel Rails From Canada*, Investigations Nos. 701-TA-297 (Review) and 731-TA-422 (Review), 65 FR 4261 (January 26, 2000).