The Applicable Statute and Regulations

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. In addition, unless otherwise indicated, all citations to the Department's regulations are to the current regulations, codified at 19 CFR Part 351, (1999).

Background

On June 30, 2000, the Department received a timely request, in accordance with section 751(a)(2)(B) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.214(c), for a new shipper review of this antidumping duty order which has a June anniversary date.

Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.214(b)(2)(i) and 19 CFR 351.214(b)(2)(iii)(A),

Groupstars' June 30, 2000 request for review certified that it did not export the subject merchandise to the United States during the period of investigation (POI) and that it is not affiliated with any company which exported subject merchandise to the United States during the POI. Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.214(b)(2)(iii)(B), Groupstars' request certified that its export activities are not controlled by the central government of the PRC.

In addition, pursuant to 19 CFR 351.214(b)(2)(iv)(A)–(C), Groupstars' request contained documentation establishing: the date after the period of investigation on which Groupstars first shipped the subject merchandise for export to the United States, the volume of that shipment, and the date of the first sale to an unaffiliated customer in the United States.

Initiation of Review

In accordance with section 751(a)(2)(B) and 19 CFR 351.214(d), we are initiating a new-shipper review of the antidumping duty order on silicon metal from the PRC. Therefore, we intend to issue the preliminary results of this review not later than 180 days after the date on which the review is initiated.

Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.214(g)(A) of the Department's regulations, the period of review (POR) for a new-shipper review initiated in the month immediately following the annual anniversary month will be the twelvemonth period immediately preceding the annual anniversary month. Therefore, the POR for this new-shipper is:

Antidumping duty proceeding	Period to be reviewed
Silicon Metal from the PRC, A–570–806: Groupstars Chemical L.L.C	6/01/99–5/31/00

Concurrent with publication of this notice and in accordance with 19 CFR 351.214(e), we will instruct the U.S. Customs Service to allow, at the option of the importer, the posting of a bond or security in lieu of a cash deposit for each entry of the merchandise exported by the companies listed above, until the completion of the review.

Interested parties must submit applications for disclosure under administrative protective order in accordance with 19 CFR 351.305 and 351.306.

This initiation and notice are in accordance with section 751(a) of the Act (19 U.S.C. 1675(a)) and 19 CFR 351.214.

Dated: August 10, 2000.

Joseph A. Spetrini,

Deputy Assistant Secretary For Import Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

Applications for Duty-Free Entry of Scientific Instruments

Pursuant to Section 6(c) of the Educational, Scientific and Cultural Materials Importation Act of 1966 (Pub. L. 89–651; 80 Stat. 897; 15 CFR part 301), we invite comments on the question of whether instruments of equivalent scientific value, for the purposes for which the instruments shown below is intended to be used, is being manufactured in the United States.

Comments must comply with 15 CFR 301.5(a)(3) and (4) of the regulations and be filed within 20 days with the Statutory Import Programs Staff, U.S. Department of Commerce, Washington, D.C. 20230. Applications may be examined between 8:30 A.M. and 5:00 P.M. in Room 4211, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C.

Docket Number: 00–023. Applicant: Yeshiva University, Albert Einstein College of Medicine, 1300 Morris Park Avenue, Bronx, NY 10461. Instrument: Q Pix Colony Picker. Manufacturer: Genetix Ltd., United Kingdom. Intended Use: The instrument is intended to be used for as a robotic instrument for picking clones from sub clone libraries made from BACs, which have been selected for sequencing. Application accepted by Commissioner of Customs: July 26, 2000.

Docket Number: 00–026. Applicant: The University of Texas at San Antonio, Division of Life Sciences, Cajal Center for Neuroscience, 6900 North Loop 1604 West, San Antonio, TX 78249-0662. Instrument: Electron Microscope, Model JEM–1230. Manufacturer: JEOL Ltd., Japan. Intended Use: The instrument is intended to be used to study

ultrastructural features of biological research specimens from experimental animals, cultured cells and viruses. The research projects include but are not limited to:

- 1. Examination of the synapses on dendrites of granule neurons.
- 2. Study of synaptogenesis as a result of high frequency granule cell activity.
- 3. Ultrastructural analysis of mosquito cells infected with a neurotrophic mosquito-born alpha virus.
- 4. Study of the axonal trajectories of interneurons and their targets.
- 5. Structural studies examining the uptake of angiotensin II by vascular smooth muscle cells.
- 6. Characterization of an in vitro model of central nervous system myelination.
- 7. Examination of the deposition and expression of the protein BIH-H3 and
- 8. Study of the mechanisms of potentiating neurotransmitters in striatal degeneration by examining ultrastructure.

Application accepted by Commissioner of Customs: August 3, 2000.

Frank W. Creel,

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