

The Department shall determine, and Customs shall assess, antidumping duties on all appropriate entries. In accordance with 19 C.F.R. 351.106(c)(2), we will instruct the Customs Service to assess antidumping duties on all appropriate entries covered by this review if any importer-specific assessment rate calculated in the final results of this review is above *de minimis* (i.e., at or above 0.50 percent).

Cash Deposit Requirements

The following deposit requirements will be effective upon publication of this notice of final results of the administrative review for all shipments of PVA from Japan entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after the date of publication, as provided by section 751(a)(1) of the Act: (1) The cash deposit rate for Kuraray will be the rate shown above; (2) for previously reviewed or investigated companies not listed above, the cash deposit rate will continue to be the company-specific rate published for the most recent period; (3) if the exporter is not a firm covered in this review, a prior review, or the original less-than-fair-value (LTFV) investigation, but the manufacturer is, the cash deposit rate will be the rate established for the most recent period for the manufacturer of the merchandise; and (4) the cash deposit rate for all other manufacturers or exporters will continue to be 77.49 percent. This rate is the "All Others" rate from the LTFV investigation.

These deposit requirements shall remain in effect until publication of the final results of the next administrative review.

This notice also serves as a final reminder to importers of their responsibility under 19 CFR 351.402(f) to file a certificate regarding the reimbursement of antidumping duties prior to liquidation of the relevant entries during this review period. Failure to comply with this requirement could result in the Secretary's presumption that reimbursement of antidumping duties occurred and the subsequent assessment of doubled antidumping duties.

This notice also serves as the only reminder to parties subject to administrative protective orders (APO) of their responsibility concerning the return or destruction of proprietary information disclosed under APO in accordance with 19 CFR 351.305 or conversion to judicial protective order is hereby requested. Failure to comply with the regulations and terms of an APO is a violation which is subject to sanction.

We are issuing and publishing this determination and notice in accordance with sections section 751(a)(1) and 777(i) of the Act.

Dated: August 11, 2000.

Troy H. Cribb,

Acting Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[A-201-504]

Porcelain-on-Steel Cookware from Mexico: Notice of Extension of Time Limit for Preliminary Results in Antidumping Duty Administrative Review

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

EFFECTIVE DATE: August 17, 2000.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Dinah McDougall at (202) 482-3773, or Rebecca Trainor at (202) 482-4007, Office 2, AD/CVD Enforcement Group I, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20230.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce is extending the time limit for the preliminary results of the thirteenth administrative review of the antidumping duty order on porcelain-on-steel cookware from Mexico, which covers the period December 1, 1998, through November 30, 1999.

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 (the Department) regulations are to 19 CFR Part 351 (April 2000).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act, the Department shall make a preliminary determination in an administrative review of an antidumping duty order within 245 days after the last day of the anniversary month of the date of publication of the order. The Act further provides, however, that the Department may extend that 245-day period to 365 days if it determines it is not practicable to complete the review within the foregoing time period. The Department

finds that it is not practicable to complete the preliminary results in this thirteenth administrative review of porcelain-on-steel cookware from Mexico within this time limit due to the need to issue verification reports and to conduct numerous margin programming changes resulting from verification findings prior to the preliminary results.

Therefore, in accordance with section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act, the Department is extending the time for completion of the preliminary results of this review until October 16, 2000.

Dated: August 14, 2000.

Louis Apple,

Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[A-570-851]

Final Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review for Two Manufacturers/Exporters: Certain Preserved Mushrooms From the People's Republic of China

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

ACTION: Notice of final results of antidumping duty administrative review.

SUMMARY: On June 30, 2000, the Department of Commerce published the preliminary results of the administrative review of the antidumping duty order on certain preserved mushrooms from the People's Republic of China for exports by Mei Wei Food Industry Co., Ltd. and Tak Fat Trading Co. entered during the period May 7, 1998, through January 31, 2000 (65 FR 40609), on an expedited basis.

We gave interested parties an opportunity to comment on the preliminary results and received comments from the respondents, and rebuttal comments from the petitioners. Based on our analysis of the comments received, the final results are unchanged from the preliminary results. The dumping margin applicable to the exports under review is the PRC-wide rate listed below in the section entitled "Final Results of Review." These results do not cover exports of certain preserved mushrooms from the People's Republic of China by China Processed Food Import & Export Co. and Gerber Food (Yunnan) Co., Ltd. during the

period August 5, 1998, through January 31, 2000.

EFFECTIVE DATE: August 17, 2000.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: David J. Goldberger or Rebecca Trainor, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482-4136 or (202) 482-4007, respectively.

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 (the Department's) regulations are to 19 CFR Part 351 (1999).

Background

On June 30, 2000, the Department published the preliminary results of the antidumping duty order on certain preserved mushrooms from the People's Republic of China (PRC) for two manufacturer/exporters (65 FR 40609). We invited interested parties to comment on the preliminary results of review. On July 10, 2000, we received comments from the respondents Mei Wei Food Industry Co., Ltd. (Mei Wei) and Tak Fat Trading Co. (Tak Fat). The petitioners¹ submitted rebuttal comments on July 17, 2000. The Department has now completed this review with respect to exports of certain preserved mushrooms from the PRC by Mei Wei and Tak Fat that were entered during the period May 7, 1998, through January 31, 2000, in accordance with section 751 of the Act and 19 CFR 351.213. The administrative review of certain preserved mushrooms which were exported from the PRC by China Processed Food Import & Export Co. (CPF) and Gerber Food (Yunnan) Co. (Gerber) during the period August 5, 1998, through January 31, 2000, continues and our preliminary results

for these reviews will be issued by October 31, 2000.

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 cleaning, blanching, and sometimes slicing or cutting. These mushrooms are then packed and heated in containers including but not limited to cans or glass jars in a suitable liquid medium, including but not limited to water, brine, butter or butter sauce. Preserved mushrooms may be imported whole, sliced, diced, or as stems and pieces. Included within the scope of this review are "brined" mushrooms, which are presalted and packed in a heavy salt solution to provisionally preserve them for further processing.

Excluded from the scope of this review are the following: (1) All other species of mushroom, including straw mushrooms; (2) all fresh and chilled mushrooms, including "refrigerated" or "quick blanched mushrooms"; (3) dried mushrooms; (4) frozen mushrooms; and (5) "marinated," "acidified" or "pickled" mushrooms, which are prepared or preserved by means of vinegar or acetic acid, but may contain oil or other additives.²

The merchandise subject to this review is currently classifiable under subheadings 2003.1000.27, 2003.1000.31, 2003.1000.37, 2003.1000.43, 2003.1000.47.2003.1000.53, and 0711.90.4000 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States ("HTS"). Although the HTS subheadings are provided for convenience and Customs purposes, the written description of the scope of this review is dispositive.

Analysis of Comments Received

All issues raised in the case and rebuttal briefs by parties to this administrative review are addressed in the "Issues and Decision Memorandum" (Decision Memorandum) from Richard W. Moreland, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Import Administration, to

Troy H. Cribb, Acting Assistant Secretary for Import Administration, dated August 11, 2000, which is adopted by this notice. A list of the issues which parties have raised and to which we have responded, all of which are in the Decision Memorandum, is attached to this notice as an Appendix. Parties can find a complete discussion of all issues raised in this review and the corresponding recommendations in this public memorandum which is on file in the Central Records Unit in Room B-099 of the main Commerce Building and accessible on the Web at <http://ia.ita.doc.gov/frn>. The paper copy and electronic version of the Decision Memorandum are identical in content.

Final Results of Review

Based on our analysis of the comments received, the final results remain unchanged from the preliminary results, as we have applied the PRC-wide rate to exports of the subject merchandise by Mei Wei and Tak Fat for the reasons described in the preliminary results (see 65 FR 40610-40611; June 30, 2000). The following margin applies for the period May 7, 1998, through January 31, 2000, for those imports of subject merchandise where the exporter is Mei Wei or Tak Fat:³

Exporter/manufacturer	Margin percentage
PRC-wide Rate	198.63

The Department shall determine, and the Customs Service shall assess, antidumping duties on all appropriate entries during the period of review, except for those entries made between May 7, 1998, through August 4, 1998, which are enjoined under *Tak Fat v. United States*, CIT court no. 99-03-00143. The Department will issue appraisal instructions directly to the Customs Service. Upon publication of the final results of this administrative review, the cash deposit rate for all shipments by Mei Wei or Tak Fat of the subject merchandise entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after the publication date, will be the PRC-wide rate stated in the final results of this administrative review, as provided for by section 751(a)(1) of the Act. These deposit requirements, when imposed, shall remain in effect until publication of the final results of the next administrative review for these companies.

³ As discussed in the preliminary results, this determination does not constitute a finding of separate rates for Mei Wei or Tak Fat in this segment of the proceeding.

¹ The 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 June 19, 2000, the Department affirmed that "marinated," "acidified," or "pickled" mushrooms containing less than 0.5 percent acetic acid are within the scope of the antidumping duty order. See "Recommendation Memorandum—Final Ruling of Request by Tak Fat, *et al.* for Exclusion of Certain Marinated, Acidified Mushrooms from the Scope of the Antidumping Duty Order on Certain Preserved Mushrooms from the People's Republic of China," dated June 19, 2000.

This notice serves as a final reminder to importers of their responsibility under 19 CFR 351.402(f) to file a certificate regarding the reimbursement of antidumping duties prior to liquidation of the relevant entries during this review period. Failure to comply with this requirement could result in the Secretary's presumption that reimbursement of antidumping duties occurred and the subsequent assessment of double antidumping duties.

This administrative review and notice are in accordance with sections 751(a)(1) and 777(i)(1) of the Act.

Dated: August 11, 2000.

Troy H. Cribb,

Acting Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

Appendix

List of Comments and Issues in the Decision Memorandum

Comment 1: Whether Reviewed Entries Are

Within the Scope of the Order

Comment 2: Use of Adverse Facts Available

Comment 3: Enjoined Entries During the "Critical Circumstances" Period

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 081100B]

Endangered Species; Permits

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Receipt of applications for scientific research permits (1261, 1262); issuance of permit 1225.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given of the following actions regarding permits for takes of endangered and threatened species for the purposes of scientific research and/or enhancement: NMFS has received a scientific research permit applications from Mr. Vincent A. Mudrak, of U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service (USFWS) (1261), and Dr. Cindy Driscoll, of the Maryland Department of Natural Resources (MDDNR) (1262); NMFS has issued permit 1225 to Mr. Bruce Hecker, of South Carolina Aquarium (1225).

DATES: Comments or requests for a public hearing on any of the new applications or modification requests must be received at the appropriate address or fax number no later than 5:00pm eastern standard time on September 18, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Written comments on any of the new applications or modification requests should be sent to the appropriate office as indicated below. Comments may also be sent via fax to the number indicated for the application or modification request. Comments will not be accepted if submitted via e-mail or the internet. The applications and related documents are available for review in the indicated office, by appointment:

Office of Protected Resources, F/PR3, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910-3226 (301-713-1401).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Terri Jordan, Silver Spring, MD (ph: 301-713-1401, fax: 301-713-0376, e-mail: Terri.Jordan@noaa.gov).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Authority

Issuance of permits and permit modifications, as required by the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (16 U.S.C. 1531-1543) (ESA), is based on a finding that such permits/modifications: (1) Are applied for in good faith; (2) would not operate to the disadvantage of the listed species which are the subject of the permits; and (3) are consistent with the purposes and policies set forth in section 2 of the ESA. Authority to take listed species is subject to conditions set forth in the permits. Permits and modifications are issued in accordance with and are subject to the ESA and NMFS regulations governing listed fish and wildlife permits (50 CFR parts 222-226).

Those individuals requesting a hearing on an application listed in this notice should set out the specific reasons why a hearing on that application would be appropriate (see **ADDRESSES**). The holding of such hearing is at the discretion of the Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, NOAA. All statements and opinions contained in the permit action summaries are those of the applicant and do not necessarily reflect the views of NMFS.

Species Covered in This Notice

Endangered Shortnose sturgeon (*Acipenser brevirostrum*).

Endangered Green turtle (*Chelonia mydas*), endangered Hawksbill turtle (*Eretmochelys imbricata*), endangered Kemp's ridley turtle (*Lepidochelys kempii*), endangered Leatherback turtle (*Dermochelys coriacea*), threatened Loggerhead turtle (*Caretta caretta*).

New Applications Received

Application 1261: The applicant requests a five-year permit to maintain

captively-bred shortnose sturgeon for scientific research at the Warm Springs Hatchery operated by the US Fish and Wildlife Service. Research Activities include feeding studies, propagation studies and studies identified in the recovery plan for shortnose sturgeon.

Application 1262: The applicant has requested a five-year permit to take 50 loggerhead, 30 Kemp's ridley, 10 leatherback, 5 green and 5 hawksbill turtles from the upper and middle Chesapeake Bay for scientific research purposes. Each turtle would be captured, handled, measured, weighed, tagged, and have biological samples (tissue and blood) collected and then released. Yearly sampling would occur from May to November.

Permits Issued

Notice was published on 12/17/1999 (64 FR 70697) that Mr. Bruce Hecker, of South Carolina Aquarium applied for an enhancement permit (1225). The aquarium proposed to maintain a population of up to eight juvenile shortnose sturgeon in a captive environment for educational purposes. This application meets Recovery Task 2.5 C concerning public education and raising public awareness of sturgeon issues. The aquarium proposes to present the fish in a manner that will enhance the conservation of the species through public education. Permit 1225 was issued on July 25, 2000, authorizing take of listed species. Permit 1225 expires June 30, 2005.

Dated: August 14, 2000.

Wanda Cain,

Chief, Endangered Species Division, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 080300C]

Marine Mammals; File No. 924-1484-00

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Receipt of application for amendment.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that Marsha Green, Ph.D., Psychology Department, Albright College, P.O. Box 15234, Reading, Pennsylvania 19612-5234, has requested an amendment to