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Statutory Time Limits

Section 733(b)(1)(A) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act), requires the Department of Commerce (the Department) to issue the preliminary determination of an antidumping duty investigation within 140 days after the date of initiation. However, if the case is extraordinarily complicated and additional time is necessary to make the preliminary determination, and the parties concerned are cooperating in the investigation, section 733(c)(1)(B) of the Act allows the Department to extend the time limit for the preliminary determination until not later than 190 days after the date of initiation.

Background

On March 20, 2001, the Department initiated the above-referenced investigation. *See Notice of Initiation of Antidumping Duty Investigation: Automotive Replacement Glass Windshields from the People's Republic of China*, 66 FR 16651 (March 27, 2001). The preliminary determination is currently due no later than August 7, 2001.

Postponement of Preliminary Determination

The Department has now concluded, consistent with section 733(c)(1)(B) of the Act, that this investigation is extraordinarily complicated, and that additional time is necessary to issue the preliminary determination due to the complexity of certain issues raised in this case. Specifically, the Department is investigating a novel product with complex issues related to the scope of the investigation, as well as to the development and identification of appropriate criteria used to define individual models for margin comparison purposes. Moreover, because this case involves a non-market economy country, an extremely large number of surrogate values must be obtained and analyzed in order to construct normal values for the voluminous number of individual models reported by the mandatory respondents in this investigation.

Therefore, in light of the fact that the parties to this proceeding have been cooperating, pursuant to section 733(c)(1) of the Act, and that additional time is necessary to make this preliminary determination in accordance with section 733(c)(1)(B)(ii) of the Act, the Department is postponing the deadline for issuing this determination until August 31, 2001.

Dated: July 17, 2001.

Faryar Shirzad,

Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[A-533-808]

Stainless Steel Wire Rod From India: Extension of Time Limit for the Preliminary Results of the Antidumping Duty Administrative Review

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

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

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 23, 2001.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Catherine Bertrand or Rick Johnson, AD/CVD Enforcement, Group III, Office 9, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482-3207 or (202) 482-3818, respectively.

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. In addition, unless otherwise indicated, all citations to the Departments's regulations are to the current regulations, codified at 19 CFR part 351 (2001).

Background

On December 27, 2000, the Department of Commerce (the Department) received a request from the Viraj Group, Limited, ("Viraj") for an administrative review of the antidumping duty order on stainless steel wire rod from India. On January 31, 2001, the Department published a notice of initiation of this administrative review, covering the period of December 1, 1999 through November 30, 2000 (66 FR 8378). The preliminary results are currently due no later than September 2, 2001.

Extension of Time Limit for Preliminary Results

There are several complex issues in this case with respect to respondent's reported cost of manufacturing. Therefore, it is not practicable to complete this review within the initial time limits mandated by section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act. Therefore, we are fully extending the due date for the preliminary results by 120 days until December 31, 2001. The final results continue to be due 120 days after the publication of the preliminary results.

Dated: July 17, 2001.

Joseph A. Spetrini,

Deputy Assistant Secretary Enforcement, Group III.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

Overseas Trade Missions

AGENCY: International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce invites U.S. companies to participate in the below listed overseas trade missions. For a more complete description of each trade mission, obtain a copy of the mission statement from the Project Officer indicated for each mission below. Recruitment and selection of private sector participants for these missions will be conducted according to the Statement of Policy Governing Department of Commerce Overseas Trade Missions dated March 3, 1997.

CRECEX Trade Mission to San Jose, Costa Rica

September 3-17, 2001

Recruitment closes on July 31, 2001

For further information contact: Mr.

Dennis Millard, U.S. Department of Commerce, Telephone 501-324-5797; or e-Mail:

Dennis.Millard@mail.doc.gov

Corporate Executive Office Mission at Expopharm '01

Munich, Germany

September 13-16, 2001

Recruitment closes on August 15, 2001

For further information contact: Ms.

Sabine Winkels, U.S. Consulate, Dusseldorf, Germany, Telephone 011-49-211-737-767-40; or e-Mail:

Sabine.Winkels@mail.doc.gov

or

Mr. David Fiscus, U.S. Department of Commerce, Telephone 202-482-1599; or e-Mail: David.Fiscus@mail.doc.gov
Corporate Executive Office Mission at the K'Show '01

Dusseldorf, Germany

October 25–November 1, 2001

Recruitment closes on August 30, 2001

For further information contact: Ms.

Kirsten Hentschel, U.S. Consulate, Dusseldorf, Germany, Telephone 011-49-211-737-767-30; or e-Mail: Kirsten.Hentschel@mail.doc.gov

or

Mr. David Fiscus, U.S. Department of Commerce, Telephone 202-482-1599; or e-Mail: David.Fiscus@mail.doc.gov

Oil and Gas Equipment and Services Trade Mission to Kazakhstan, with optional stop in Azerbaijan Almaty, Astana, Atyrau and Baku

October 1–9, 2001

Recruitment Closes on August 31, 2001

For further information contact: Mr.

Michael Beeman, U.S. Department of Commerce, Telephone 202-482-3492; or e-Mail: Michael_Beeman@ita.doc.gov

Internet and Telecommunications Trade Mission to Germany

Munich, Frankfurt and Berlin or

Hamburg

November 4–9, 2001

Recruitment closes on September 7, 2001

For further information contact: Ms.

Danielle_Kriz, U.S. Department of Commerce, Telephone 202-482-0568; or e-Mail: Danielle_Kriz@ita.doc.gov

Franchising Trade Mission to China,

Hong Kong (SAR) and Taiwan

Beijing, Hong Kong, Shanghai and

Taipei

November 4–9, 2001

Recruitment closes on September 30, 2001

For further information contact: Mr.

Raj_Dwivedy, U.S. Department of Commerce, Telephone 202-482-4581; or e-Mail: Raj_Dwivedy@ita.doc.gov

Corporate Executive Office Mission at Medica

Dusseldorf, Germany

November 21–24, 2001

Recruitment closes on October 5, 2001

For further information contact: Ms.

Sabine Winkels, U.S. Consulate, Dusseldorf, Germany. Telephone 011-49-211-737-767-40; or e-Mail: Sabine.Winkels@mail.doc.gov

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Mr. David Fiscus, U.S. Department of Commerce, Telephone 202-482-1599; or e-Mail: David.Fiscus@mail.doc.gov

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Dated: July 17, 2001.

Thomas H. Nisbet,

Director, Promotion Planning and Support Division, Office of Export Promotion Coordination.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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Small Takes of Marine Mammals Incidental to Specified Activities; Seismic Retrofit of the Richmond-San Rafael Bridge, San Francisco Bay, CA

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

ACTION: Notice of receipt of application and proposed authorization for a small take exemption; request for comments.

SUMMARY: NMFS has received a request from the California Department of Transportation (CALTRANS) for a renewal of its Incidental Harassment Authorization (IHA) to take small numbers of marine mammals, by harassment, incidental to seismic retrofit construction of the Richmond-San Rafael Bridge (the Bridge), San Francisco Bay (the Bay), CA. Under the Marine Mammal Protection Act (MMPA), NMFS is requesting comments on its proposal to renew a small take authorization to CALTRANS to incidentally take, by harassment, small numbers of Pacific harbor seals and possibly California sea lions for 1 year.

DATES: Comments and information must be received no later than August 22, 2001.

ADDRESSES: Comments on the application should be addressed to Donna Wieting, Chief, Marine Mammal Conservation Division, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910-3225. A copy of the application may be obtained by writing to this address or by telephoning one of the contacts listed here. Comments cannot be accepted if submitted via e-mail or the Internet.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kenneth R. Hollingshead, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, (301) 713-2055, or Christina Fahy, Southwest Regional Office, NMFS, (562) 980-4023.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

Sections 101 (a)(5)(A) and (D) of the MMPA (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*) directs the Secretary of Commerce to allow, upon request, the incidental, but not intentional, taking of marine mammals by U.S. citizens who engage in a specified activity (other than commercial fishing) within a specified geographical region if certain findings are made and either regulations are issued or, if the taking is limited to harassment, a notice of a proposed authorization is provided to the public for review.

Permission may be granted if NMFS finds that the taking will have a negligible impact on the species or stock(s) and will not have an unmitigable adverse impact on the availability of the species or stock(s) for subsistence uses and that the permissible methods of taking and requirements pertaining to the monitoring and reporting of such takings are set forth. NMFS has defined "negligible impact" in 50 CFR 216.103 as "...an impact resulting from the specified activity that cannot be reasonably expected to, and is not reasonably likely to, adversely affect the species or stock through effects on annual rates of recruitment or survival."

Subsection 101(a)(5)(D) of the MMPA established an expedited process by which citizens of the United States can apply for an authorization to incidentally take small numbers of marine mammals by harassment. The MMPA defines "harassment" as:

...any act of pursuit, torment, or annoyance which (a) has the potential to injure a marine mammal or marine mammal stock in the wild; or (b) has the potential to disturb a marine mammal or marine mammal stock in the wild by causing disruption of behavioral patterns, including, but not limited to, migration, breathing, nursing, breeding, feeding, or sheltering.

Subsection 101 (a)(5)(D) establishes a 45-day time limit for NMFS review of an application followed by a 30-day public notice and comment period on any proposed authorizations for the incidental harassment of small numbers of marine mammals. Within 45 days of the close of the comment period, NMFS must either issue or deny issuance of the authorization.

Summary of Request

On June 8, 2001, NMFS received a letter from CALTRANS, requesting reauthorization of an IHA that was first issued to it on December 16, 1997 (62 FR 6704, December 23, 1997), and renewed on January 8, 2000 (65 FR 2375, January 14, 2000), with an effective date for the IHA beginning on