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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[A-351-806]

Silicon Metal from Brazil: Extension of Time Limit for Preliminary Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review

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

EFFECTIVE DATE: March 15, 2001.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Maisha Cryor at (202) 482-5831 or Ron Trentham at (202) 482-6320, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Ave, NW., Washington, DC 20230.

TIME LIMITS:

Statutory Time Limits

Section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act), requires the Department of Commerce ("the Department") to make a preliminary determination within 245 days after the last day of the anniversary month of an order for which a review is requested and a final determination within 120 days after the date on which the preliminary determination is published. However, if it is not practicable to complete the review within these time periods, section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act allows the Department to extend the time limit for the preliminary determination to a maximum of 365 days and for the final determination to 180 days (or 300 days if the Department does not extend the time limit for the preliminary determination) from the date of publication of the preliminary determination.

Background

On September 6, 2000, the Department published a notice of initiation of administrative review of the antidumping duty order on Silicon Metal from Brazil, covering the period July 1, 1999 through June 30, 2000 (65 FR 53980). The preliminary results are currently due no later than April 1, 2001.

Extension of Time Limit for Preliminary Results of Review

We determine that it is not practicable to complete the preliminary results of this review within the original time limit. Therefore, the Department is

extending the time limit for completion of the preliminary results until no later than July 30, 2001. See Decision Memorandum from Thomas Futtner to Holly A. Kuga, dated concurrently with this notice, which is on file in the Central Records Unit, Room B-099 of the main Commerce building. We intend to issue the final results no later than 120 days after the publication of the preliminary results notice.

This extension is in accordance with section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act.

Dated: March 8, 2001.

Holly A. Kuga,

Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary, Import Administration, Group II.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[A-583-816]

Notice of Extension of Time Limit of the Preliminary Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review: Certain Stainless Steel Butt-Weld Fittings from Taiwan

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

EFFECTIVE DATE: March 15, 2001.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Alex Villaneuva, 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) 482-0408.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

The Applicable Statute

Unless otherwise indicated, all citations to the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act) are 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 (April 2000).

Background

On July 31, 2000, the Department published a notice of initiation of the administrative review of the antidumping duty order on Stainless Steel Butt-Weld Pipe Fittings from Taiwan, covering the period June 1, 1999 through May 31, 2000 (65 FR 46687). The preliminary results are

currently due no later than May 31, 2001. On January 9, 2001, the Department extended the preliminary results due date by 90 days (66 FR 1644).

Extension of Time Limit for Preliminary Results

Because of the complex issues enumerated in the Memorandum from Edward C. Yang to Joseph A. Spetrini, *Extension of Time Limit for the Preliminary Results of Administrative Review of Stainless Steel Butt-Weld Pipe Fittings from Taiwan*, dated March 6, 2001 and on file in the Central Records Unit (CRU) of the Main Commerce Building, Room B-099, we find that it is not practicable to complete this review by the scheduled deadline. Therefore, in accordance with section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act, the Department is extending the time period for issuing the preliminary results of review by 30 days (*i.e.*, until July 2, 2001).

Dated: March 6, 2001.

Joseph A. Spetrini,

Deputy Assistant Secretary, AD/CVD Enforcement Group III.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[A-588-604 A-588-054]

Tapered Roller Bearings and Parts Thereof, Finished and Unfinished, From Japan, and Tapered Roller Bearings, Four Inches or Less in Outside Diameter, and Components Thereof, From Japan; Final Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Reviews

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

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

SUMMARY: On November 7, 2000, the Department of Commerce (the Department) published the preliminary results of the 1998-99 administrative reviews of the antidumping duty order on tapered roller bearings (TRBs) and parts thereof, finished and unfinished, from Japan (A-588-604), and the antidumping finding on TRBs, four inches or less in outside diameter, and components thereof, from Japan (A-588-054) (*see Tapered Roller Bearings and Parts Thereof, Finished and Unfinished, from Japan, and Tapered Roller Bearings, Four Inches or Less in*

Outside Diameter, and Components Thereof, from Japan; Preliminary Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Reviews, 65 FR 66711 (Preliminary Results). The review of the A-588-054 finding covers two manufacturers/exporters of the subject merchandise to the United States and the period October 1, 1998 through September 30, 1999. The review of the A-588-604 order covers three manufacturers/exporters and the period October 1, 1998, through September 30, 1999. Based upon our analysis of the comments received, we have made changes in the margin calculations. The final weighted-average dumping margins for the reviewed firms are listed below in the section entitled "Final Results of Reviews."

EFFECTIVE DATE: March 15, 2001.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Deborah Scott (NTN Corporation (NTN) and NSK Ltd. (NSK)), Patricia Tran (Koyo Seiko Co., Ltd. (Koyo)), or Robert James, Office of AD/CVD Enforcement III, Office 8, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230, telephone: (202) 482-2657, (202) 482-1121, or (202) 482-0649, respectively.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Applicable Statute and Regulations

Unless otherwise indicated, all citations to the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Tariff Act), are in reference to the provisions effective January 1, 1995, the effective date of the amendments made to the Tariff Act by the Uruguay Round Agreements Act (URAA). In addition, unless otherwise indicated, all citations to the Department's regulations refer to 19 CFR part 351 (April 1, 2000).

Background

On November 7, 2000, we published in the **Federal Register** the preliminary results of the 1998-99 administrative reviews of the antidumping duty order and finding on TRBs from Japan (see *Preliminary Results* at 66711). We gave interested parties an opportunity to comment on the *Preliminary Results*. At the request of certain interested parties, we held a public hearing on January 24, 2001. The Department has now completed these reviews in accordance with section 751 of the Tariff Act.

Scope of the Reviews

Imports covered by the A-588-054 finding are sales or entries of TRBs, four inches or less in outside diameter when assembled, including inner race or cone

assemblies and outer races or cups, sold either as a unit or separately. This merchandise is classified under Harmonized Tariff Schedule (HTS) item numbers 8482.20.00 and 8482.99.15.

Imports covered by the A-588-604 order include TRBs and parts thereof, finished and unfinished, which are flange, take-up cartridge, and hanger units incorporating TRBs, and roller housings (except pillow blocks) incorporating tapered rollers, with or without spindles, whether or not for automotive use. Products subject to the A-588-054 finding are not included within the scope of this order, except those manufactured by NTN. This merchandise is currently classifiable under HTS item numbers 8482.20.00, 8482.91.00, 8482.99.15, 8482.99.45, 8483.20.40, 8483.20.80, 8483.30.80, 8483.90.20, 8483.90.30, and 8483.90.80. The HTS item numbers listed above for both the A-588-054 finding and the A-588-604 order are provided for convenience and Customs purposes. The written description remains dispositive.

The period for each 1998-99 review is October 1, 1998, through September 30, 1999. The review of the A-588-054 case covers TRB sales by two manufacturers/exporters (Koyo and NSK). The review of the A-588-604 case covers TRBs sales by three manufacturers/exporters (Koyo, NTN, and NSK).

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 for the 1998-1999 Administrative Reviews of Tapered Roller Bearings and Parts Thereof, Finished and Unfinished, from Japan, and Tapered Roller Bearings, Four Inches or Less in Outside Diameter, and Components Thereof, from Japan (A-588-604/A-588-054); Final Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Reviews" (Decision Memorandum) from Joseph A. Spetrini, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Import Administration, to Bernard T. Carreau, fulfilling the duties of Assistant Secretary for Import Administration, dated March 7, 2001, which is hereby 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, room B-099 of the Main Department building. In addition, a complete version of the

Decision Memorandum can be accessed directly on the World Wide Web at <http://ia.ita.doc.gov>. The paper copy and electronic version of the Decision Memorandum are identical in content.

Use of Facts Available

For a discussion of comments on our application of facts available, see the "Facts Available/Further Manufacturing" section of the Decision Memorandum, which is on file in B-099 and available on the Web at <http://ia.ita.doc.gov>. See also *Preliminary Results* at 66712.

Changes Since the Preliminary Results

Based on our analysis of comments received, we have made certain changes in the margin calculations. We have also corrected certain programming and clerical errors in our preliminary results, where applicable. Any alleged programming or clerical errors with which we do not agree are discussed in the relevant sections of the Decision Memorandum, accessible in room B-099 and on the Web at <http://ia.ita.doc.gov>.

Final Results of Reviews

We determine that the following percentage weighted-average margins exist for the period October 1, 1998 through September 30, 1999:

Manufacturer/exporter	Margin (percent)
For the A-588-054 case:	
Koyo Seiko	14.86
NSK	16.60
For the A-588-604 case:	
Koyo Seiko	17.94
NSK	7.75
NTN	13.38

The Department shall determine, and Customs shall assess, antidumping duties on all appropriate entries. In accordance with 19 CFR 351.212(b), we have calculated exporter/importer-specific assessment rates. With respect to both export price and constructed export price sales, we divided the total dumping margins for the reviewed sales by the total entered value of those reviewed sales for each importer. We will direct Customs to assess the resulting percentage margins against the entered Customs values for the subject merchandise on each of that importer's entries under the relevant proceeding during the review period.

Cash Deposit Requirements

As a result of a five-year ("sunset") review, the Department has revoked the antidumping finding (A-588-054) and duty order (A-588-604) on TRBs from

Japan. The effective date of revocation is January 1, 2000. *See Revocation of Antidumping Duty Orders on Certain Bearings from Hungary, Japan, Romania, Sweden, France, Germany, Italy, and the United Kingdom*, 65 FR 42667 (July 11, 2000). Therefore, there are no cash deposit requirements for shipments of TRBs from Japan entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after the date of publication of this notice of final results of 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 a reminder to parties subject to administrative protective orders (APO) of their responsibility concerning the disposition of proprietary information disclosed under APO in accordance with 19 CFR 351.306. Timely written notification of the return or destruction of APO materials, or conversion to judicial protective order, is hereby requested. Failure to comply with the regulations and terms of an APO is a sanctionable violation.

We are issuing and publishing this determination and notice in accordance with sections 751(a)(1) and 771(i) of the Tariff Act and 19 CFR 351.213.

Dated: March 7, 2001.

Timothy J. Hauser,

Acting Under Secretary for International Trade.

Appendix 1—Issues in Decision Memorandum

Comments and Responses

1. Facts Available/Further Manufacturing
2. Adjustments to Normal Value
3. Adjustments to United States Price
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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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Availability of an Environmental Assessment and Receipt of an Application for an Incidental Take Permit for the Grants Pass Irrigation District, Habitat Conservation Plan, Jackson and Josephine Counties, Oregon

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

ACTION: Notice of application; request for public comment.

SUMMARY: This notice advises the public that, pursuant to the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (Act), Grants Pass Irrigation District (GPID) has submitted an application to the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) for an Incidental Take Permit (Permit) regarding the operation of Savage Rapids Dam in Josephine and Jackson Counties, Oregon, and has also prepared a Habitat Conservation Plan (Plan) designed to minimize and mitigate incidental take of endangered and threatened species. The proposed Permit would authorize the incidental take of the Southern Oregon/Northern California coho salmon (*Oncorhynchus kisutch*) and would also seek coverage for one species (Klamath Mountain Province steelhead (*O. Mykiss*)) proposed for listing under specific provisions of the Permit, should this species be listed in the future. The duration of the proposed Permit and Plan is one year. NMFS announces the availability of the Habitat Conservation Plan and a draft Environmental Assessment for review and provides other agencies and the public with the opportunity to review and comment on these documents.

DATES: Written comments on the Permit application, draft Environmental Assessment, and Habitat Conservation Plan must be received from interested parties no later than April 16, 2001.

ADDRESSES: Requests for documents on CD ROM should be made by calling the National Marine Fisheries Service at (503) 231-2377. For hardbound copies and an electronic address see

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION, under the heading, Libraries and Electronic Access. Comments and requests for information should be directed to Nancy Munn, Project Biologist, National Marine Fisheries Service, 525 NE

Oregon Street, Suite 500, Portland, OR, 97232-2778 (Tel (503) 231-6269; Fax (503) 231-6893). Comments and materials received will also be available for public inspection, by appointment, during normal business hours by calling (503) 231-2377.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Nancy Munn, (503) 231-6269.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 9 of the Act and Federal regulations prohibit the "taking" of a species listed as endangered or threatened. The term "take" is defined under the Act to mean harass, harm, pursue, hunt, shoot, wound, kill, trap, capture, collect, or to attempt to engage in any such conduct. The definition for "harm" includes significant habitat modification or degradation that actually kills or injures wildlife by significantly impairing essential behavioral patterns, including breeding, feeding or sheltering.

NMFS may issue permits, under limited circumstances, to take listed species incidental to otherwise lawful activities. Regulations governing permits for threatened and endangered species are promulgated at 50 CFR 222.307.

Background

GPID currently serves approximately 8,000 patrons owning a total of 7,700 acres in Jackson and Josephine counties. Savage Rapids Dam provides GPID with its primary water supply. Water is delivered through 160 miles of canals in the greater Grants Pass area. The water provided by GPID is not treated and thus is not used for human consumption. Of the 8,000 patrons, about 300 own more than 5 acres, and the remaining 7,700 own less than 5 acres. The patrons with more than 5 acres represent a variety of agricultural interests as well as some industrial interests. Of the 7,700 patrons owning less than 5 acres, most use GPID water for small hayfields and/or personal vegetable gardens.

Fish passage has been an issue at Savage Rapids Dam since GPID constructed the dam in 1921. Currently, there are fish ladders located at both the north and south sides of the dam to provide for upstream and downstream fish migration. The north fish ladder is a rectangular, concrete structure containing pools 8 feet long and 9 feet wide. The south fish ladder is a concrete structure approximately 100 feet long and divided into 10 pools. Extending from the bottom of the south ladder to the river are a series of fish resting pools and attraction channels.

GPID proposes to operate Savage Rapids Dam consistent with