

attaching the threaded rod to, or packaging it with, another product, or any other finishing, assembly, or packaging operation that would not otherwise remove the merchandise from the scope of this order if performed in the country of manufacture of the threaded rod.

Carbon and alloy steel threaded rod are also included in the scope of this order whether or not imported attached to, or in conjunction with, other parts and accessories such as nuts and washers. If carbon and alloy steel threaded rod are imported attached to, or in conjunction with, such non-subject merchandise, only the threaded rod is included in the scope.

Excluded from the scope of this order is: (1) Threaded rod, bar, or studs which are threaded only on one or both ends and the threading covers 25 percent or less of the total actual length; and (2) stainless steel threaded rod, defined as steel threaded rod containing, by weight, 1.2 percent or less of carbon and 10.5 percent or more of chromium, with or without other elements.

Specifically excluded from the scope of this order is threaded rod that is imported as part of a package of hardware in conjunction with a ready-to-assemble piece of furniture.

Steel threaded rod is currently classifiable under subheadings 7318.15.5051, 7318.15.5056, and 7318.15.5090 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS). Subject merchandise may also enter under subheading 7318.15.2095 and 7318.19.0000 of the HTSUS. The HTSUS subheadings are provided for convenience and U.S. Customs purposes only. The written description of the scope is dispositive.

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### International Trade Administration

#### United States Travel and Tourism Advisory Board: Meeting of the United States Travel and Tourism Advisory Board

**AGENCY:** International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice of an open meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The United States Travel and Tourism Advisory Board (Board or TTAB) will hold a meeting on Thursday, April 9, 2020. The Board advises the Secretary of Commerce on matters relating to the U.S. travel and tourism industry. The purpose of the meeting is for Board members to discuss the impact of COVID-19 on the travel and tourism industry and to discuss how the public and private sectors can work together to accelerate recovery. The final agenda will be posted on the Department of Commerce website for the Board at <http://trade.gov/ttab> at least one week in advance of the meeting.

**DATES:** Thursday, April 9, 2020, 3:00 p.m.–4:00 p.m. EDT. The deadline for

members of the public to register, including requests to make comments during the meeting and for auxiliary aids, or to submit written comments for dissemination prior to the meeting, is 5:00 p.m. EDT on Tuesday, April 7, 2020.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held via conference call. The call-in number and passcode will be provided by email to registrants.

Requests to register (including to speak or for auxiliary aids) and any written comments should be submitted by email to [TTAB@trade.gov](mailto:TTAB@trade.gov).

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Jennifer Aguinaga, the United States Travel and Tourism Advisory Board, National Travel and Tourism Office, U.S. Department of Commerce; telephone: 202-482-2404; email: [TTAB@trade.gov](mailto:TTAB@trade.gov).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

**Background:** The Board advises the Secretary of Commerce on matters relating to the U.S. travel and tourism industry.

**Exceptional Circumstances:** Pursuant to 41 CFR 102–3.150(b), the notice for this meeting is given less than 15 calendar days prior to the meeting because of the exceptional circumstances of the national emergency proclaimed by the President on March 13, 2020 concerning the novel coronavirus disease (COVID-19) outbreak.

**Public Participation:** The meeting will be open to the public and will be accessible to people with disabilities. Any member of the public requesting to join the meeting is asked to register in advance by the deadline identified under the **DATES** caption. Requests for auxiliary aids must be submitted by the registration deadline. Last minute requests will be accepted, but may not be possible to fill. There will be fifteen (15) minutes allotted for oral comments from members of the public joining the meeting. To accommodate as many speakers as possible, the time for public comments may be limited to three (3) minutes per person. Members of the public wishing to reserve speaking time during the meeting must submit a request at the time of registration, as well as the name and address of the proposed speaker. If the number of registrants requesting to make statements is greater than can be reasonably accommodated during the meeting, the International Trade Administration may conduct a lottery to determine the speakers. Speakers are requested to submit a written copy of their prepared remarks by 5:00 p.m. EDT on Tuesday, April 7, 2020, for

inclusion in the meeting records and for circulation to the members of the Board.

In addition, any member of the public may submit pertinent written comments concerning the Board's affairs at any time before or after the meeting. Comments may be submitted to Jennifer Aguinaga at the contact information indicated above. To be considered during the meeting, comments must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. EDT on Tuesday, April 7, 2020, to ensure transmission to the Board prior to the meeting. Comments received after that date and time will be distributed to the members but may not be considered during the meeting. Copies of Board meeting minutes will be available within 90 days of the meeting.

**Jennifer Aguinaga,**

*Designated Federal Officer, United States Travel and Tourism Advisory Board.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### International Trade Administration

[C-533-888, C-570-105]

#### Carbon and Alloy Steel Threaded Rod From India and the People's Republic of China: Countervailing Duty Orders

**AGENCY:** Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

**SUMMARY:** Based on affirmative final determinations by the Department of Commerce (Commerce) and the International Trade Commission (ITC), Commerce is issuing the countervailing duty orders on carbon and alloy steel threaded rod (steel threaded rod) from India and the People's Republic of China (China).

**DATES:** Applicable April 9, 2020.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Genevieve Coen at (202) 482-3251 or Hannah Falvey at (202) 482-4889, AD/CVD Operations, Office V (India); Thomas Schauer at (202) 482-0410 or Allison Hollander at (202) 482-2805, AD/CVD Operations, Office I (China); Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20230.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### Background

In accordance with section 705(d) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act), on February 18, 2020, Commerce published its affirmative final determinations that countervailable

subsidies are being provided to producers and exporters of steel threaded rod from India and China.<sup>1</sup> On April 3, 2020, the ITC notified Commerce of its affirmative determinations that an industry in the United States is materially injured within the meaning of section 705(b)(1)(A)(i) of the Act, by reason of subsidized imports of subject merchandise from India and China.<sup>2</sup>

### Scope of the Order

The scope of these orders covers steel threaded rod from India and China. For a complete description of the scope, see the appendix to this notice.

### Countervailing Duty Orders

On April 3, 2020, in accordance with sections 705(b)(1)(A)(i) and 705(d) of the Act, the ITC notified Commerce of its final determinations in these investigations, in which it found that an industry in the United States is materially injured by reason of imports of steel threaded rod from India and China.<sup>3</sup> Therefore, in accordance with section 705(c)(2) of the Act, Commerce is issuing these countervailing duty orders. Because the ITC determined that imports of steel threaded rod from India and China are materially injuring a U.S. industry, unliquidated entries of such merchandise from India or China, entered or withdrawn from warehouse for consumption, are subject to the assessment of countervailing duties.

Therefore, in accordance with section 706(a) of the Act, Commerce will direct U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) to assess, upon further instruction by Commerce, countervailing duties for all relevant entries of steel threaded rod from India and China. Countervailing duties will be assessed on unliquidated entries of steel threaded rod from India and China entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after July 29, 2019, the date of publication of the *Preliminary Determinations*,<sup>4</sup> but

will not include entries occurring after the expiration of the provisional measures period and before publication of the ITC's final injury determination, as further described below.

### Suspension of Liquidation

In accordance with section 706 of the Act, Commerce will instruct CBP to reinstitute the suspension of liquidation of steel threaded rod from India and China. We will also instruct CBP to require, pursuant to section 706(a)(1) of the Act, countervailing duties for each entry of the subject merchandise in an amount based on the net countervailable subsidy rates for the subject merchandise. These instructions suspending liquidation will remain in effect until further notice.

| INDIA                                                |                        |
|------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|
| Company                                              | Subsidy rate (percent) |
| Daksh Fasteners .....                                | 211.72                 |
| Mangal Steel Enterprises Limited .....               | 6.07                   |
| All Others .....                                     | 6.07                   |
| CHINA                                                |                        |
| Company                                              | Subsidy rate (percent) |
| Ningbo Zhongjiang High Strength Bolts Co., Ltd ..... | 31.02                  |
| Zhejiang Junyue Standard Part Co., Ltd .....         | 66.81                  |
| All Others .....                                     | 41.17                  |

### Provisional Measures

Section 703(d) of the Act states that instructions issued pursuant to an affirmative preliminary determination may not remain in effect for more than four months. In the underlying investigations, Commerce published the *Preliminary Determinations* on July 29, 2019. Therefore, the four-month period beginning on the date of the publication of the *Preliminary Determinations* ended on November 25, 2019.

In accordance with section 703(d) of the Act and our practice, we instructed CBP to terminate the suspension of liquidation and to liquidate, without regard to countervailing duties, unliquidated entries of steel threaded rod from India and China entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption after November 25, 2019, the date the provisional measures expired, until and through the day

preceding the date of publication of the ITC's final injury determination in the **Federal Register**. Suspension of liquidation will resume on the date of publication of the ITC's final determination in the **Federal Register**.

### Notifications to Interested Parties

This notice constitutes the countervailing duty orders with respect to steel threaded rod from India and China pursuant to section 706(a) of the Act. Interested parties can find a list of countervailing duty orders currently in effect at <http://enforcement.trade.gov/stats/iastats1.html>.

These orders are issued and published in accordance with section 706(a) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.211(b).

Dated: April 3, 2020.

**Jeffrey I. Kessler,**

*Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance.*

### Appendix

The merchandise covered by the scope of these orders is carbon and alloy steel threaded rod. Steel threaded rod is certain threaded rod, bar, or studs, of carbon or alloy steel, having a solid, circular cross section of any diameter, in any straight length. Steel threaded rod is normally drawn, cold-rolled, threaded, and straightened, or it may be hot-rolled. In addition, the steel threaded rod, bar, or studs subject to these orders are non-headed and threaded along greater than 25 percent of their total actual length. A variety of finishes or coatings, such as plain oil finish as a temporary rust protectant, zinc coating (*i.e.*, galvanized, whether by electroplating or hot-dipping), paint, and other similar finishes and coatings, may be applied to the merchandise.

Steel threaded rod is normally produced to American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM) specifications ASTM A36, ASTM A193 B7/B7m, ASTM A193 B16, ASTM A307, ASTM A320 L7/L7M, ASTM A320 L43, ASTM A354 BC and BD, ASTM A449, ASTM F1554-36, ASTM F1554-55, ASTM F1554 Grade 105, American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME) specification ASME B18.31.3, and American Petroleum Institute (API) specification API 20E. All steel threaded rod meeting the physical description set forth above is covered by the scope of these orders, whether or not produced according to a particular standard.

Subject merchandise includes material matching the above description that has been finished, assembled, or packaged in a third country, including by cutting, chamfering, coating, or painting the threaded rod, by attaching the threaded rod to, or packaging it with, another product, or any other finishing, assembly, or packaging operation that would not otherwise remove the merchandise from the scope of these orders if performed in the country of manufacture of the threaded rod.

Carbon and alloy steel threaded rod are also included in the scope of these orders whether or not imported attached to, or in conjunction with, other parts and accessories

<sup>1</sup> See *Carbon and Alloy Steel Threaded Rod from India: Final Affirmative Countervailing Duty Determination*, 85 FR 8828 (February 18, 2020); and *Carbon and Alloy Steel Threaded Rod from the People's Republic of China: Final Affirmative Countervailing Duty Determination*, 85 FR 8833 (February 18, 2020).

<sup>2</sup> See Letter to Jeffrey Kessler, Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Enforcement and Compliance, from David S. Johanson, Chairman of the U.S. International Trade Commission, regarding steel threaded rod from China and India, (April 3, 2020) (ITC Letter).

<sup>3</sup> See ITC Letter.

<sup>4</sup> See *Carbon and Alloy Steel Threaded Rod from India: Preliminary Affirmative Countervailing Duty Determination and Alignment of Final Determination with Final Antidumping Duty Determination*, 84 FR 36570 (July 29, 2019); see also *Carbon and Alloy Steel Threaded Rod from the*

*People's Republic of China: Preliminary Affirmative Countervailing Duty Determination and Alignment of Final Determination with Final Antidumping Duty Determination*, 84 FR 36578 (July 29, 2019).

such as nuts and washers. If carbon and alloy steel threaded rod are imported attached to, or in conjunction with, such non-subject merchandise, only the threaded rod is included in the scope.

Excluded from the scope of these orders are: (1) Threaded rod, bar, or studs which are threaded only on one or both ends and the threading covers 25 percent or less of the total actual length; and (2) stainless steel threaded rod, defined as steel threaded rod containing, by weight, 1.2 percent or less of carbon and 10.5 percent or more of chromium, with or without other elements.

Excluded from the scope of the antidumping order on steel threaded rod from the People's Republic of China is any merchandise covered by the existing antidumping order on Certain Steel Threaded Rod from the People's Republic of China. *See Certain Steel Threaded Rod from the People's Republic of China: Notice of Antidumping Duty Order*, 74 FR 17154 (April 14, 2009).

Specifically excluded from the scope of these orders is threaded rod that is imported as part of a package of hardware in conjunction with a ready-to-assemble piece of furniture.

Steel threaded rod is currently classifiable under subheadings 7318.15.5051, 7318.15.5056, and 7318.15.5090 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS). Subject merchandise may also enter under subheading 7318.15.2095 and 7318.19.0000 of the HTSUS. The HTSUS subheadings are provided for convenience and U.S. Customs purposes only. The written description of the scope is dispositive.

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### International Trade Administration

[A-570-104]

#### Alloy and Certain Carbon Steel Threaded Rod From the People's Republic of China: Antidumping Duty Order

**AGENCY:** Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

**SUMMARY:** Based on affirmative final determinations by the Department of Commerce (Commerce) and the International Trade Commission (ITC), we are issuing an antidumping duty order on alloy and certain carbon steel threaded rod (threaded rod) from the People's Republic of China (China).

**DATES:** Applicable April 9, 2020.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Yang Jin Chun at (202) 482-5760, AD/CVD Operations, Office I, Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20230.

## SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

### Background

In accordance with sections 735(d) and 777(i)(1) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act), and 19 CFR 351.210(c), on February 18, 2020, Commerce published its affirmative final determination in the less-than-fair-value (LTFV) investigation of imports of threaded rod from China.<sup>1</sup> On April 3, 2020, the ITC notified Commerce of its final determination pursuant to section 735(b)(1)(A)(i) of the Act, that an industry in the United States is materially injured by reason of the LTFV imports of threaded rod from China.<sup>2</sup>

### Scope of the Order

The product covered by this order is threaded rod. For a complete description for the scope of the order, *see* the appendix to this notice.

### Antidumping Duty Order

On April 3, 2020, in accordance with sections 735(d) of the Act, the ITC notified Commerce of its final determination in this investigation, in which it found that an industry in the United States is materially injured within the meaning of section 735(b)(1)(A)(i) of the Act by reason of LTFV imports of threaded rod from China.<sup>3</sup> Therefore, in accordance with sections 735(c)(2) and 736 of the Act, Commerce is issuing this antidumping duty order.

Because the ITC determined that imports of threaded rod from China are materially injuring a U.S. industry, unliquidated entries of such merchandise from China, entered or withdrawn from warehouse for consumption, are subject to the assessment of antidumping duties. Therefore, in accordance with section 736(a)(1) of the Act, Commerce will direct U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) to assess, upon further instruction by Commerce, antidumping duties equal to the amount by which the normal value of the merchandise exceeds the export price (or constructed export price) of the merchandise, for all relevant entries of threaded rod from China. Antidumping duties will be assessed on unliquidated entries of threaded rod from China entered, or

withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after September 25, 2019, the date of publication of the *Preliminary Determination*,<sup>4</sup> but will not include entries occurring after the expiration of the provisional measures period and before publication of the ITC's final injury determination as further described below.

### Continuation of Suspension of Liquidation

In accordance with section 736 of the Act, Commerce will instruct CBP to continue to suspend liquidation of threaded rod from China as described in the appendix to this notice which are entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after the date of publication of the ITC's notice of final determination in the **Federal Register**. These instructions suspending liquidation will remain in effect until further notice.

We will also instruct CBP to require cash deposits equal to the amount as indicated below. Accordingly, effective on the date of publication of the ITC's final affirmative injury determination, CBP will require, at the same time as importers would normally deposit estimated duties on this subject merchandise, a cash deposit equal to the cash deposit rates listed below.<sup>5</sup> The rate for the China-wide entity applies to all exporters not specifically listed. For the purpose of determining cash deposit rates, the estimated weighted-average dumping margins for imports of subject merchandise from China have been adjusted, as appropriate, for export-contingent subsidies calculated based on the final determination of the companion countervailing duty investigation of threaded rod from China.<sup>6</sup>

### Estimated Weighted-Average Dumping Margins

The weighted-average antidumping duty margin percentages and cash deposit percentages are as follows:

<sup>4</sup> *See Alloy and Certain Carbon Steel Threaded Rod from the People's Republic of China: Preliminary Affirmative Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value, Postponement of Final Determination and Extension of Provisional Measures*, 84 FR 50379 (September 25, 2019) (*Preliminary Determination*).

<sup>5</sup> *See* section 736(a)(3) of the Act.

<sup>6</sup> *See Final Determination*, 85 FR at 8822; *see also Carbon and Alloy Steel Threaded Rod from the People's Republic of China: Final Affirmative Countervailing Duty Determination*, 85 FR 8833 (February 18, 2020), and accompanying Issues and Decision Memorandum.

<sup>1</sup> *See Alloy and Certain Carbon Steel Threaded Rod from the People's Republic of China: Final Affirmative Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value*, 85 FR 8821 (February 18, 2020) (*Final Determination*).

<sup>2</sup> *See* Notification Letter from the ITC dated April 3, 2020 (ITC Letter).

<sup>3</sup> *Id.*