

ACTION: Staff Briefing for the Board of Directors.

TIME AND DATE: 2 p.m., Thursday, August 15, 2002.

PLACE: Conference Room 0204—South Building, U.S. Department of Agriculture, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC.

STATUS: Open.

MATTERS TO BE DISCUSSED:

1. Annual retirement of class A stock.
2. Annual class C stock dividend rate.
3. Loan loss reserve for FY 2002.
4. Contract for legal advisor.
5. Annual report for FY 2001.
6. Current telecommunications industry issues.
7. Administrative issues.

ACTION: Board of Directors Meeting.

TIME AND DATE: 9 a.m., Friday, August 16, 2002.

PLACE: Conference Room 104—A, Jamie L. Whitten Federal Building, U.S. Department of Agriculture, 12th & Jefferson Drive, SW., Washington, DC.

STATUS: Open.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED: The following matters have been placed on the agenda for the Board of Directors meeting:

1. Call to order.
2. Oath of office for new board members.
3. Action on Minutes of the May 8, 2002, board meeting.
4. Secretary's Report on loans approved.
5. Treasurer's Report.
6. Report on the allowance for loan loss reserve for FY 2002.
7. Privatization Committee Report.
8. Consideration of resolution to retire class A stock in FY 2002.
9. Consideration of resolution to set annual class C stock dividend rate.
10. Consideration of resolution to approve the annual report for FY 2001.
11. Consideration of resolution to approve Curtis Anderson to serve as the Deputy Governor of the Bank.
12. Governor's Remarks.
13. Adjournment.

CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION: Roberta D. Purcell, Assistant Governor, Rural Telephone Bank, (202) 720-9554.

Dated: July 24, 2002.

Hilda Gay Legg,

Governor, Rural Telephone Bank.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

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Notice of Extension of Time Limit of Preliminary Results of New Shipper Review: Silicon Metal from the People's Republic of China

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

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce is extending the time limit of the preliminary results of the new shipper review of the antidumping duty order on silicon metal from the People's Republic of China (PRC) until no later than November 20, 2002. The period of review is June 1, 2001 through November 30, 2001. This extension is made pursuant to section 751(a)(2)(B)(iv) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended.

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 30, 2002.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Christian Hughes or Maureen Flannery, AD/CVD Enforcement, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482-0648 or (202) 482-3020, respectively.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Applicable Statutes and Regulations

Unless otherwise indicated, all citations to the statute are references to the provisions of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act). In addition, unless otherwise indicated, all citations to the Department's regulations are to the provisions codified at 19 CFR Part 351 (2001).

Statutory Time Limits

Section 751(a)(2)(B)(iv) of the Act requires the Department to issue the preliminary results of a new shipper review within 180 days from the date of initiation of the review. However, if the Department determines that the case is extraordinarily complicated, section 751(a)(2)(B)(iv) of the Act allows the Department to extend this deadline to a maximum of 300 days.

Background

On December 31, 2001, the Department received a timely request from China Shanxi Province Lin Fen Prefecture Foreign Trade Import and Export Corp. (Lin Fen), in accordance with section 751(a)(2)(ii) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.214(c), for a new shipper review of the antidumping duty order

on silicon metal from the PRC. See *Antidumping Duty Order: Silicon Metal From the People's Republic of China*, 56 FR 26649 (June 10, 1991). Because the request met all of the requirements set forth in section 751(a)(2)(ii) of the Act and section 351.214(d) of the regulations, we initiated a new shipper review of the antidumping duty order on silicon metal from the PRC for the period June 1, 2001 to November 30, 2001. On January 31, 2002, the Department initiated this new shipper review (67 FR 5966).

Extension of Time Limits for Preliminary Results

Due to the extraordinarily complicated nature of this case, we are unable to complete this review within the time limits mandated by section 751(a)(2)(B)(iv) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.214 (i). In particular, the Department needs additional time in which to address the issues of Lin Fen's relationship with other companies, and whether Lin Fen should be given a separate rate. Furthermore, the Department requires additional time to gather surrogate value information. Therefore, in accordance with section 751(a)(2)(B)(iv) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.214 (i) (2), the Department is extending the time limit for the completion of preliminary results. These preliminary results will now be due no later than November 20, 2002.

This notice is issued and published pursuant to sections 751(a)(1) and 777 (i) (1) of the Act.

Dated: July 23, 2002

Barbara E. Tillman,

Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary for Import Administration, 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