DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

North American Free-Trade Agreement (NAFTA), Article 1904 Binational Panel Reviews

AGENCY: NAFTA Secretariat, United States Section, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of Decision of Panel.

SUMMARY: On December 5, 2012, the NAFTA Chapter 19 binational panel issued its decision in the review of the final results of the 2008/2009 antidumping administrative review made by the U.S. Department of Commerce, respecting Light-Walled Rectangular Pipe and Tube from Mexico, NAFTA Secretariat File Number USA-MEX-2011-1904-02. The panel remanded the matter to the U.S. Department of Commerce and Ordered that Commerce provide the Panel with its explanation regarding its practice of zeroing in administrative reviews, but not in antidumping investigations. Copies of the panel's decision are available from the U.S. Section of the NAFTA Secretariat.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Ellen M. Bohon, United States Secretary, NAFTA Secretariat, Suite 2061, 14th and Constitution Avenue, Washington, DC 20230, (202) 482–5438.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Chapter 19 of the North American Free-Trade Agreement ("Agreement") establishes a mechanism to replace domestic judicial review of final determinations in antidumping and countervailing duty cases involving imports from a NAFTA country with review by independent binational panels. When a Request for Panel Review is filed, a panel is established to act in place of national courts to review expeditiously the final determination to determine whether it conforms with the antidumping or countervailing duty law of the country that made the determination.

Under Article 1904 of the Agreement, which came into force on January 1, 1994, the Government of the United States, the Government of Canada and the Government of Mexico established Rules of Procedure for Article 1904 Binational Panel Reviews ("Rules"). These Rules were published in the Federal Register on February 23, 1994 (59 FR 8686). The panel review in this matter has been conducted in accordance with these Rules.

Panel Decision: On December 5, 2012, the binational panel remanded the matter of Light-Walled Rectangular Pipe and Tube from Mexico (NAFTA Secretariat File Number USA–MEX–2011–1904–02) to the U.S. Department of Commerce to provide a thorough explanation of why it is a reasonable interpretation of the statute to engage in zeroing in administrative reviews, but not in antidumping investigations. The panel directed Commerce to provide such explanation within 90 days of the date of issue of the panel's Decision and Order. (March 5, 2013)

Dated: December 5, 2012.

Ellen M. Bohon,

U.S. Secretary, NAFTA Secretariat.
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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE International Trade Administration

North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA), Article 1904 Binational Panel Reviews

AGENCY: NAFTA Secretariat, United States Section, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of Completion of Panel Review of the Department of Commerce's Final Determination of Carbon and Certain Alloy Steel Wire Rod from Canada (Secretariat File No. USA-CDA-2008-1904-02).

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the Decision and Order of the Binational Panel dated October 25, 2012, the panel review was completed on December 6, 2012.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On October 25, 2012, the Binational Panel issued a Decision and Order affirming the U.S. Department of Commerce's final determination concerning Carbon and Certain Alloy Steel Wire Rod from Canada. The Secretariat was instructed to issue a Notice of Completion of Panel Review on the 31st day following the issuance of the Notice of Final Panel Action, if no request for an Extraordinary Challenge Committee was filed. No such request was filed. Therefore, on the basis of the Panel Order and Rule 80 of the Article 1904 Panel Rules, the Panel Review was completed and the panelists were discharged from their duties effective December 6, 2012.

Dated: December 6, 2012.

Ellen M. Bohon,

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) National Climate Assessment and Development Advisory Committee (NCADAC)

AGENCY: Office of Oceanic and Atmospheric Research (OAR), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Department of Commerce (DOC).

ACTION: Notice of Open Meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice sets forth the schedule of a forthcoming meeting of the DoC NOAA National Climate Assessment and Development Advisory Committee (NCADAC).

Time and Date: The meeting will be held Friday, January 11, 2013 from 11:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m. Eastern time.

Place: This meeting will be a conference call. Public access and materials will be available at the office of the U.S. Global Change Research Program, Conference Room A, Suite 250, 1717 Pennsylvania Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20006. The public will not be able to dial into the call. Please check the National Climate Assessment Web site for additional information at http://www.globalchange.gov/what-we-do/assessment.

Status: The meeting will be open to public participation with a 10-minute public comment period from 12:45-12:55 p.m. The NCADAC expects that public statements presented at its meetings will not be repetitive of previously submitted verbal or written statements. In general, each individual or group making a verbal presentation will be limited to a total time of two minutes. Written comments should be received in the NCADAC DFO's office by Monday, January 7, 2013 to provide sufficient time for NCADAC review. Written comments received by the NCADAC DFO after Monday, January 7, 2013 will be distributed to the NCADAC, but may not be reviewed prior to the meeting date.

Special Accommodations: These meetings are physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for special accommodations may be directed no later than 12 p.m. on Monday, January 7, 2013 to Dr. Cynthia Decker, SAB Executive Director, SSMC3, Room 11230, 1315 East-West Hwy., Silver Spring, MD 20910.