

For the companies for which we have rescinded this review in part, Commerce intends to instruct CBP to assess antidumping duties on all appropriate entries at a rate equal to the cash deposit rate of estimated antidumping duties required at the time of entry, or withdrawal from warehouse, for consumption in accordance with 19 CFR 351.212(c)(1)(i). Commerce intends to issue assessment instructions to CBP for the rescinded companies no earlier than 35 days after the date of publication of the preliminary results in the **Federal Register**.

Commerce intends to issue assessment instructions, other than the assessment instructions for the rescinded companies, to CBP no earlier than 35 days after the date of publication of the final results of this review in the **Federal Register**. If a timely summons is filed at the U.S. Court of International Trade, the assessment instructions will direct CBP not to liquidate relevant entries until the time for parties to file a request for a statutory injunction has expired (*i.e.*, within 90 days of publication).

Cash Deposit Requirements

The following cash deposit requirements will be effective upon publication of the final results of this administrative review for all shipments of the subject merchandise from China entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after the publication date, as provided for by section 751(a)(2)(C) of the Act: (1) for the subject merchandise exported by the companies listed above that have a separate rate, the cash deposit rate will be equal to the weighted-average dumping margin established in the final results of this administrative review (except, if the rate is zero or *de minimis*, then zero cash deposit will be required); (2) for previously investigated or reviewed Chinese and non-Chinese exporters not listed above that received a separate rate in a prior segment of this proceeding, the cash deposit rate will continue to be the existing exporter-specific rate; (3) for all Chinese exporters of subject merchandise that have not been found to be entitled to a separate rate, the cash deposit rate will be that for the China-wide entity; and (4) for all non-Chinese exporters of subject merchandise which have not received their own rate, the cash deposit rate will be the rate applicable to the Chinese exporter that supplied that non-Chinese exporter. These deposit requirements, when imposed, shall

remain in effect until further notice. These deposit requirements, when imposed, shall remain in effect until further notice.

Notification to Importers

This notice also serves as a preliminary reminder to importers of their responsibility under 19 CFR 351.402(f) to file a certificate regarding the reimbursement of antidumping and/or countervailing duties prior to liquidation of the relevant entries during this POR. Failure to comply with this requirement could result in Commerce's presumption that reimbursement of antidumping and/or countervailing duties occurred and the subsequent assessment of double antidumping duties, and/or an increase in the amount of antidumping duties by the amount of the countervailing duties.

Notification to Interested Parties

We are issuing and publishing these preliminary results of review in accordance with sections 751(a)(1) and 777(i)(1) of the Act, and 19 CFR 351.221(b)(4).

Dated: March 28, 2024.

Abdelali Elouaradia,

Deputy Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

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Carbon and Alloy Steel Threaded Rod from the People's Republic of China: Preliminary Results and Partial Rescission of the Countervailing Duty Administrative Review; 2022

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

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of Commerce (Commerce) preliminarily determines that Ningbo Zhenghai Yongding Fastener Co., Ltd. (Yongding), a producer/exporter of carbon and alloy steel threaded rod (threaded rod) from the People's Republic of China (China),

received countervailable subsidies during the period of review (POR) January 1, 2022, through December 31, 2022. In addition, Commerce is rescinding this review, in part, with respect to four companies. Interested parties are invited to comment on these preliminary results.

DATES: Applicable April 3, 2024.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Bryan Hansen or Thomas Schauer, AD/CVD Operations, Office I, Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482-3683 or (202) 482-0410, respectively.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On April 9, 2020, Commerce published in the **Federal Register** the countervailing duty order on threaded rod from China.¹ On June 12, 2023, based on timely requests for an administrative review, Commerce published in the **Federal Register** the notice of initiation of this administrative review of the Order with respect to five companies.² On December 11, 2023, Commerce extended the deadline for the preliminary results of this review until April 26, 2024.³

For a complete description of the events that followed the initiation of this administrative review, see the Preliminary Decision Memorandum.⁴ A list of topics discussed in the Preliminary Decision Memorandum is included as an appendix to this notice. The Preliminary Decision Memorandum is a public document and is on file electronically via Enforcement and Compliance's Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Centralized Electronic Service System (ACCESS). ACCESS is available to registered users at <https://access.trade.gov>. In addition, a complete version of the Preliminary Decision Memorandum can be accessed

¹ See *Alloy and Certain Carbon Steel Threaded Rod from the People's Republic of China: Countervailing Duty Orders*, 85 FR 19927 (April 9, 2020) (Order).

² See *Initiation of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Administrative Reviews*, 88 FR 38021, 38031, 38034 n.13 (June 12, 2023) (Initiation Notice).

³ See Memorandum, "Extension of Deadline for Preliminary Results of Countervailing Duty Administrative Review, 2022," dated December 11, 2023.

⁴ See Memorandum, "Decision Memorandum for the Preliminary Results of the Administrative Review of the Countervailing Duty Order on Carbon and Alloy Steel Threaded Rod from the People's Republic of China; 2022," dated concurrently with, and hereby adopted by, this notice (Preliminary Decision Memorandum).

at <https://access.trade.gov/public/FRNoticesListLayout.aspx>.

Scope of the Order

The merchandise subject to the *Order* are threaded rod from China. For a complete description of the scope of the *Order*, see the Preliminary Decision Memorandum.

Rescission of Administrative Review, In Part

In accordance with 19 CFR 351.213(d)(1), Commerce will rescind an administrative review, in whole or in part, if all parties that requested the review withdraw their requests within 90 days of the date of publication of the notice of initiation of the requested review. Commerce is rescinding this administrative, in part, pursuant to 19 CFR 351.213(d)(1), for the following parties that requested an administrative review and timely withdrew their review requests: Ningbo Dingtuo Imp. & Exp. Co., Ltd.; Ningbo Dongxin High-Strength Nut Co., Ltd.; Ningbo Jinding Fastening Piece Co., Ltd.; Ningbo Zhongjiang High Strength Bolts Co., Ltd.; and Ningbo Zhongmin Metal Product Co., Ltd.⁵ For further information, see the “Final Rescission of Administrative Review, In Part” section in the Preliminary Decision Memorandum.

Methodology

Commerce is conducting this review in accordance with section 751(a)(1)(A) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act). For each of the subsidy programs found to be countervailable, we preliminarily determine that there is a subsidy, *i.e.*, a financial contribution by an “authority” that confers a benefit to the recipient, and that the subsidy is specific.⁶ For a full description of the methodology underlying our preliminary conclusions, including our

reliance, in part, on adverse facts available pursuant to sections 776(a) and (b) of the Act, see the Preliminary Decision Memorandum.⁷

Preliminary Results of Review

Commerce preliminarily determines that the following net countervailable subsidy rate exists for the period January 1, 2022, through December 31, 2022:

Company	Subsidy rate (percent <i>ad valorem</i>)
Ningbo Zhenghai Yongding Fastener Co., Ltd. ⁸	17.39

Disclosure and Public Comment

We intend to disclose the calculations performed for these preliminary results to interested parties within five days of the date of publication of this notice in accordance with 19 CFR 351.224(b).

Case briefs or other written comments may be submitted to the Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance no later than 30 days after the date of publication of these preliminary results of review in the **Federal Register**.⁹ Rebuttal briefs, limited to issues raised in the case briefs, may be filed not later than five days after the deadline for filing case briefs.¹⁰ Interested parties who submit case briefs or rebuttal briefs in this proceeding must submit: (1) a table of contents listing each issue; and (2) a table of authorities.¹¹

As provided under 19 CFR 351.309(c)(2) and (d)(2), in prior proceedings we have encouraged interested parties to provide an executive summary of their brief that should be limited to five pages total, including footnotes. In this review, we instead request that interested parties provide at the beginning of their briefs a public, executive summary for each issue raised in their briefs.¹² Further, we request that interested parties limit their executive summary of each issue to no more than 450 words, not including

⁷ See Preliminary Decision Memorandum at 8–38.

⁸ As discussed in the Preliminary Decision Memorandum, Commerce preliminarily finds Ningbo Yongzan Machinery Parts Co., Ltd. to be cross-owned with Ningbo Zhenghai Yongding Fastener Co., Ltd.

⁹ See 19 CFR 351.309(c)(1)(ii).

¹⁰ See 19 CFR 351.309(d); see also *Administrative Protective Order, Service, and Other Procedures in Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Proceedings*, 88 FR 67069, 67077 (September 29, 2023) (*APO and Service Final Rule*).

¹¹ See 19 CFR 351.309(c)(2) and (d)(2).

¹² We use the term “issue” here to describe an argument that Commerce would normally address in a comment of the Issues and Decision Memorandum.

citations. We intend to use the executive summaries as the basis of the comment summaries included in the issues and decision memorandum that will accompany the final results in this administrative review. We request that interested parties include footnotes for relevant citations in the executive summary of each issue. Note that Commerce has amended certain of its requirements pertaining to the service of documents in 19 CFR 351.303(f).¹³

Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.310(c), interested parties who wish to request a hearing must submit a written request to the Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance, U.S. Department of Commerce, filed electronically via ACCESS. An electronically-filed request must be received successfully, and in its entirety, by ACCESS within 30 days after the date of publication of this notice. Requests should contain: (1) the party’s name, address, and telephone number; (2) the number of participants; and (3) a list of issues to be discussed. Issues raised in the hearing will be limited to those raised in the respective case briefs. All submissions, including case and rebuttal briefs, as well as hearing requests, should be filed using ACCESS.¹⁴ An electronically-filed document must be received successfully in its entirety by ACCESS by 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time on the established deadline.

Final Results of Review

Unless the deadline is extended, we intend to issue the final results of this administrative review, which will include the results of our analysis of the issues raised in the case briefs, within 120 days of publication of these preliminary results in the **Federal Register**, pursuant to section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.213(h).

Assessment Rates

In accordance with section 751(a)(2)(C) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.221(b)(4)(i), we preliminarily determined subsidy rates in the amount for Yongding. Consistent with section 751(a)(1) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.212(b)(2), upon issuance of the final results, Commerce shall determine, and U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) shall assess, countervailing duties on all appropriate entries covered by this review. We intend to issue assessment instructions to CBP no earlier than 35 days after the date of publication of the final results of this review in the **Federal Register**. If a

¹³ See *APO and Service Final Rule*.

¹⁴ See 19 CFR 351.303.

⁵ Commerce previously found Ningbo Zhongmin Metal Product Co., Ltd. to be a cross-owned affiliate of Ningbo Zhongjiang High Strength Bolts Co., Ltd. See *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), and accompanying Preliminary Decision Memorandum at 2 and 27–28, unchanged in *Carbon and Alloy Steel Threaded Rod From the People’s Republic of China: Final Affirmative Countervailing Duty Determination*, 85 FR 8833 (February 18, 2020) (*Final Determination*), and accompanying Issues and Decision Memorandum at Comment 7. Accordingly, we initiated this review with respect to Ningbo Zhongjiang High Strength Bolts Co., Ltd. and its cross-owned entity, Ningbo Zhongmin Metal Product Co., Ltd. See *Initiation Notice*.

⁶ See sections 771(5)(B) and (D) of the Act regarding financial contribution; section 771(5)(E) of the Act regarding benefit; and section 771(5A) of the Act regarding specificity.

timely summons is filed at the U.S. Court of International Trade, the assessment instructions will direct CBP not to liquidate relevant entries until the time for parties to file a request for a statutory injunction has expired (*i.e.*, within 90 days of publication).

For the companies for which this review is rescinded with these preliminary results, we will instruct CBP to assess countervailing duties on all appropriate entries at a rate equal to the cash deposit of estimated countervailing duties required at the time of entry, or withdrawal from warehouse, for consumption, during the period January 1, 2022, through December 31, 2022, in accordance with 19 CFR 351.212(c)(1)(i).

Cash Deposit Requirements

In accordance with section 751(a)(2)(C) of the Act, Commerce intends, upon publication of the final results, to instruct CBP to collect cash deposits of the estimated countervailing duties in the amount calculated in the final results of this administrative review for Yongding with regard to shipments of subject merchandise entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after the date of publication of the final results of this administrative review. If the rate calculated in the final results is zero or *de minimis*, no cash deposit will be required on shipments of the subject merchandise entered or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after the date of publication of the final results of this review.

For all non-reviewed firms, CBP will continue to collect cash deposits of estimated countervailing duties at the all-others rate (*i.e.*, 41.17 percent)¹⁵ for the most recent company-specific rate applicable to the company, as appropriate. These cash deposit requirements, when imposed, shall remain in effect until further notice.

Notification to Interested Parties

These preliminary results of review are issued and published in accordance with sections 751(a)(1) and 777(i)(1) of the Act, 19 CFR 351.213(d)(4) and (h)(2), and 19 CFR 351.221(b)(4).

Dated: March 27, 2024.

Abdelali Elouaradia,

Deputy Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance.

Appendix

List of Topics Discussed in the Preliminary Decision Memorandum

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International Trade Administration

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Certain Corrosion Inhibitors From the People's Republic of China: Preliminary Results of Countervailing Duty Administrative Review and Rescission of Review, in Part; 2022

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

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of Commerce (Commerce) preliminarily finds that countervailable subsidies were provided to producers and exporters of corrosion inhibitors from the People's Republic of China (China), during the period of review (POR) from January 1, 2022, through December 31, 2022. In addition, Commerce is rescinding the review, in part, with respect to 16 companies. Interested parties are invited to comment on these preliminary results.

DATES: Applicable April 3, 2024.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ted Pearson or Suresh Maniam, AD/CVD Operations, Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482-2631 and (202) 482-1603, respectively.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On March 19, 2021, Commerce published in the **Federal Register** the countervailing duty order on corrosion inhibitors from China.¹ On May 9, 2023, Commerce published in the **Federal Register** the notice of initiation of an administrative review of the *Order*.² On June 23, 2023, Commerce selected

¹ See *Certain Corrosion Inhibitors from the People's Republic of China: Antidumping Duty and Countervailing Duty Orders*, 86 FR 14869 (March 19, 2021) (*Order*).

² See *Initiation of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Administrative Reviews*, 88 FR 29881 (May 9, 2023).

Anhui Trust Chem Co., Ltd. (ATC) and Nantong Botao Chemical Co., Ltd. (Botao) for individual examination as the mandatory respondents in this administrative review.³ On October 30, 2023, Commerce extended the deadline for the preliminary results of review until March 28, 2024.⁴

For a complete description of the events that followed the initiation of this review, see the Preliminary Decision Memorandum.⁵ A list of topics discussed in the Preliminary Decision Memorandum is included as Appendix I to this notice. The Preliminary Decision Memorandum is a public document and is on file electronically via Enforcement and Compliance's Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Centralized Electronic Service System (ACCESS). ACCESS is available to registered users at <http://access.trade.gov>. In addition, a complete version of the Preliminary Decision Memorandum can be accessed directly at <https://access.trade.gov/public/FRNoticesListLayout.aspx>.

Scope of the Order

The products covered by the *Order* are corrosion inhibitors. For a complete description of the scope of the *Order*, see the Preliminary Decision Memorandum.⁶

Methodology

Commerce is conducting this administrative review in accordance with section 751(a)(1)(A) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act). For each subsidy program found countervailable, we preliminarily find that there is a subsidy, (*i.e.*, a government-provided financial contribution that gives rise to a benefit to the recipient, and that the subsidy is specific).⁷ For a full description of the methodology underlying our conclusions, including our reliance, in part, on adverse facts available pursuant to sections 776(a) and (b) of the Act, see the Preliminary Decision Memorandum.

³ See Memorandum, "Respondent Selection," dated June 23, 2023.

⁴ See Memorandum, "Extension of Deadline for Preliminary Results of Countervailing Duty Administrative Review," dated October 30, 2023.

⁵ See Memorandum, "Decision Memorandum for the Preliminary Results of Countervailing Duty Administrative Review and Rescission of Review in Part; 2022: Corrosion Inhibitors from the People's Republic of China," dated concurrently with, and hereby adopted by, this notice (Preliminary Decision Memorandum).

⁶ *Id.*

⁷ See sections 771(5)(B) and (D) of the Act regarding financial contribution; section 771(5)(E) of the Act regarding benefit; and section 771(5A) of the Act regarding specificity.

¹⁵ See *Final Determination*.