

not materially injured or threatened with material injury by reason of imports of glass containers from China, provided for in subheading 7010.90.50 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States, that have been found by the U.S. Department of Commerce ("Commerce") to be subsidized by the government of China.²

Background

The Commission instituted this investigation effective September 25, 2019, following receipt of antidumping and countervailing duty petitions filed with the Commission and Commerce by the American Glass Packaging Coalition, Tampa, Florida, and Chicago, Illinois. The Commission scheduled the final phase of the investigation following notification of a preliminary determination by Commerce that imports of glass containers from China were being subsidized within the meaning of section 703(b) of the Act (19 U.S.C. 1671b(b)). Notice of the scheduling of the final phase of the Commission's investigation and of a public hearing to be held in connection therewith was given by posting copies of the notice in the Office of the Secretary, U.S. International Trade Commission, Washington, DC, and by publishing the notice in the **Federal Register** of March 6, 2020 (85 FR 13183). In light of the restrictions on access to the Commission building due to the COVID-19 pandemic, and in accordance with 19 U.S.C. 1677c(a)(1), the Commission did not conduct an in-person hearing scheduled for May 6, 2020. Instead, the Commission conducted its hearing through a series of written questions, submissions of written testimony, written responses to questions, Commissioner questions and answers along with closing arguments and rebuttal remarks via video conference, and posthearing briefs; all persons who requested the opportunity were permitted to participate.

The Commission made this determination pursuant to section 705(b) of the Act (19 U.S.C. 1671d(b)). It completed and filed its determination in this investigation on June 26, 2020. The views of the Commission are contained in USITC Publication 5068 (June 2020), entitled *Glass Containers from China: Investigation No. 701-TA-630 (Final)*.

By order of the Commission.

Dated: June 26, 2020.

Lisa Barton,

Secretary to the Commission.

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INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

[Investigation Nos. 701-TA-649 and 731-TA-1523 (Preliminary)]

Twist Ties From China; Institution of Anti-Dumping and Countervailing Duty Investigations and Scheduling of Preliminary Phase Investigations

AGENCY: United States International Trade Commission.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Commission hereby gives notice of the institution of investigations and commencement of preliminary phase antidumping and countervailing duty investigation Nos. 701-TA-649 and 731-TA-1523 (Preliminary) pursuant to the Tariff Act of 1930 ("the Act") to determine whether there is a reasonable indication that an industry in the United States is materially injured or threatened with material injury, or the establishment of an industry in the United States is materially retarded, by reason of imports of twist ties from China, provided for in subheadings 8309.90.00, 5609.00.30, 3906.90.20, 3920.51.50, 3923.90.00, 3926.90.99, 4811.59.60, 4821.10.40, 4821.90.20, and 4823.90.86 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States, that are alleged to be sold in the United States at less than fair value and alleged to be subsidized by the Government of China. Unless the Department of Commerce ("Commerce") extends the time for initiation, the Commission must reach a preliminary determination in antidumping and countervailing duty investigations in 45 days, or in this case by August 10, 2020. The Commission's views must be transmitted to Commerce within five business days thereafter, or by August 17, 2020.

DATES: June 26, 2020.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Andres Andrade (202) 205-2078, Office of Investigations, U.S. International Trade Commission, 500 E Street SW, Washington, DC 20436. Hearing-impaired persons can obtain information on this matter by contacting the Commission's TDD terminal on 202-205-1810. Persons with mobility impairments who will need special assistance in gaining access to the Commission should contact the Office

of the Secretary at 202-205-2000. General information concerning the Commission may also be obtained by accessing its internet server (<https://www.usitc.gov>). The public record for these investigations may be viewed on the Commission's electronic docket (EDIS) at <https://edis.usitc.gov>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background.—These investigations are being instituted, pursuant to sections 703(a) and 733(a) of the Tariff Act of 1930 (19 U.S.C. 1671b(a) and 1673b(a)), in response to a petition filed on June 26, 2020 by Bedford Industries Inc., Worthington, Minnesota.

For further information concerning the conduct of these investigations and rules of general application, consult the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, part 201, subparts A and B (19 CFR part 201), and part 207, subparts A and B (19 CFR part 207).

Participation in the investigations and public service list.—Persons (other than petitioners) wishing to participate in the investigations as parties must file an entry of appearance with the Secretary to the Commission, as provided in sections 201.11 and 207.10 of the Commission's rules, not later than seven days after publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**. Industrial users and (if the merchandise under investigation is sold at the retail level) representative consumer organizations have the right to appear as parties in Commission antidumping duty and countervailing duty investigations. The Secretary will prepare a public service list containing the names and addresses of all persons, or their representatives, who are parties to these investigations upon the expiration of the period for filing entries of appearance.

Limited disclosure of business proprietary information (BPI) under an administrative protective order (APO) and BPI service list.—Pursuant to section 207.7(a) of the Commission's rules, the Secretary will make BPI gathered in these investigations available to authorized applicants representing interested parties (as defined in 19 U.S.C. 1677(9)) who are parties to the investigations under the APO issued in the investigations, provided that the application is made not later than seven days after the publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**. A separate service list will be maintained by the Secretary for those parties authorized to receive BPI under the APO.

Conference.—In light of the restrictions on access to the Commission building due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Commission is

² 85 FR 31141 (May 22, 2020).

conducting its Title VII (antidumping and countervailing duty) preliminary phase staff conferences through submissions of written opening remarks and written testimony, staff questions and written responses to those questions, and postconference briefs. Requests to participate in these written proceedings should be emailed to preliminaryconferences@usitc.gov (DO NOT FILE ON EDIS) on or before July 15, 2020. A nonparty who has testimony that may aid the Commission's deliberations may request permission to participate by submitting a short statement. Please note the Secretary's Office will accept only electronic filings during this time. Filings must be made through the Commission's Electronic Document Information System (EDIS, <https://edis.usitc.gov>). No in-person paper-based filings or paper copies of any electronic filings will be accepted until further notice.

Written submissions.—As provided in sections 201.8 and 207.15 of the Commission's rules, any person may submit to the Commission on or before July 22, 2020, a written brief containing information and arguments pertinent to the subject matter of the investigations. Parties may file written opening remarks and testimony to the Commission on or before July 15, 2020. Staff questions will be provided to the parties on July 17, 2020, and written responses should be submitted to the Commission on or before July 22, 2020. All written submissions must conform with the provisions of section 201.8 of the Commission's rules; any submissions that contain BPI must also conform with the requirements of sections 201.6, 207.3, and 207.7 of the Commission's rules. The Commission's *Handbook on Filing Procedures*, available on the Commission's website at https://www.usitc.gov/documents/handbook_on_filing_procedures.pdf, elaborates upon the Commission's procedures with respect to filings.

In accordance with sections 201.16(c) and 207.3 of the rules, each document filed by a party to the investigations must be served on all other parties to the investigations (as identified by either the public or BPI service list), and a certificate of service must be timely filed. The Secretary will not accept a document for filing without a certificate of service.

Certification.—Pursuant to section 207.3 of the Commission's rules, any person submitting information to the Commission in connection with these investigations must certify that the information is accurate and complete to the best of the submitter's knowledge. In

making the certification, the submitter will acknowledge that any information that it submits to the Commission during these investigations may be disclosed to and used: (i) By the Commission, its employees and Offices, and contract personnel (a) for developing or maintaining the records of these or related investigations or reviews, or (b) in internal investigations, audits, reviews, and evaluations relating to the programs, personnel, and operations of the Commission including under 5 U.S.C. Appendix 3; or (ii) by U.S. government employees and contract personnel, solely for cybersecurity purposes. All contract personnel will sign appropriate nondisclosure agreements.

(Authority: These investigations are being conducted under authority of title VII of the Tariff Act of 1930; this notice is published pursuant to section 207.12 of the Commission's rules.)

By order of the Commission.

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Lisa Barton,

Secretary to the Commission.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Notice of Lodging of Proposed Consent Decree Under the Clean Air Act

On May 29, 2020, the Department of Justice lodged a proposed consent decree with the United States District Court for the District of Massachusetts, in the lawsuit entitled *United States and Commonwealth of Massachusetts v. Sprague Resources LP and Sprague Operating Resources, LLC*, Civil Action No. 1:20–cv–11026.

The United States filed this lawsuit under Section 113(a)(1) of the Clean Air Act, 42 U.S.C. 7413(a)(1), and the Massachusetts, Maine, New Hampshire, and Rhode Island state implementation plans. The Commonwealth of Massachusetts is a co-plaintiff and brings claims arising under the Massachusetts Clean Air Act and Massachusetts air pollution control regulations. The complaint seeks civil penalties and injunctive relief arising from alleged emissions of volatile organic compounds (VOC) without required permits at the defendants' heated petroleum (asphalt and #6 oil) storage and distribution facilities in Everett and Quincy, Massachusetts; Searsport and South Portland, Maine; Newington (River Road), New

Hampshire; and Providence, Rhode Island.

The consent decree requires the defendants to pay civil penalties of \$350,000, including \$205,000, plus interest, to the United States and \$145,000 to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts; and to perform certain measures at the facilities to limit future VOC emissions.

On June 4, 2020, the Department of Justice published a notice in the **Federal Register** opening a period of public comment on the consent decree for a period of thirty (30) days through July 6, 2020. By this notice, the Department of Justice is extending the public comment period through August 5, 2020. Comments should be addressed to the Assistant Attorney General, Environment and Natural Resources Division, and should refer to *United States, et al. v. Sprague Resources LP, et al.*, D.J. Ref. No. 90–5–2–1–11436. All comments must be submitted no later than August 5, 2020. Comments may be submitted either by email or by mail:

<i>To submit comments:</i>	<i>Send them to:</i>
By e-mail	pubcomment-ees.enrd@usdoj.gov .
By mail	Assistant Attorney General, U.S. DOJ—ENRD, P.O. Box 7611, Washington, DC 20044–7611.

During the public comment period, the consent decree may be examined and downloaded at this Justice Department website: <https://www.justice.gov/enrd/consent-decrees>. Paper copies of the consent decree are available upon written request and payment of reproduction costs. Such requests and payments should be addressed to:

Consent Decree Library,
U.S. DOJ—ENRD,
P.O. Box 7611,
Washington, DC 20044–7611.

With each such request, please enclose a check or money order for \$14.75 (25 cents per page reproduction cost) per paper copy, payable to the United States Treasury.

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