DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration [A-580-889]

Dioctyl Terephthalate From the Republic of Korea: Postponement of Preliminary Determination of Antidumping Duty Investigation

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

DATES: Effective November 14, 2016. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Shanah Lee or Laurel LaCivita, AD/CVD Operations, Office III, Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482–6386 or (202) 482–4243, respectively.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On July 20, 2016, the Department of Commerce ("Department") initiated an antidumping duty investigation concerning imports of dioctyl terephthalate ("DOTP") from the Republic of Korea ("Korea").¹ The notice of initiation stated that, in accordance with section 733(b)(1)(A) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended ("the Act"), and 19 CFR 351.205(b)(1), we would issue our preliminary determination no later than 140 days after the date of initiation, unless postponed. Currently, the preliminary determination in this investigation is due no later than December 7, 2016.

Postponement of Preliminary Determination

If the petitioner makes a timely request for a postponement, section 733(c)(1)(A) of the Act allows the Department to postpone making the preliminary determination until no later than 190 days after the date on which the Department initiated the investigation. On October 28, 2016, Eastman Chemical Company ("Petitioner") submitted a timely request for a postponement of the preliminary determination pursuant to section 733(c)(1)(A) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.205(e), in order to provide the Department sufficient time to review all relevant information from the respondents and issue appropriate requests for clarification or additional information.2

For the reasons stated above, and because there are no compelling reasons to deny Petitioner's request, the Department is postponing the deadline for the preliminary determination to no later than 190 days after the day on which the investigation was initiated, in accordance with section 733(c)(1)(A) of the Act. Accordingly, the Department intends to issue the preliminary determination no later than January 26, 2017. In accordance with section 735(a)(1) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.210(b)(1), the deadline for the final determination of this investigation will continue to be 75 days after the date of the preliminary determination, unless postponed at a later date.

This notice is issued and published pursuant to section 733(c)(2) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.205(f)(1).

Dated: November 3, 2016.

Paul Piguado,

Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration [A-570-918]

Steel Wire Garment Hangers From the People's Republic of China: Preliminary Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review; 2014– 2015

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

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce ("Department") is conducting the seventh administrative review of the antidumping duty order on steel wire garment hangers ("hangers") from the People's Republic of China ("PRC"). The Department preliminarily finds that subject merchandise was sold in the United States at prices below normal value during the period of review ("POR"), October 1, 2014, through September 30, 2015. If these preliminary results are adopted in our final results of review, we will instruct U.S. Customs and Border Protection ("CBP") to assess antidumping duties on all appropriate entries of subject merchandise during the POR. We invite interested parties to comment on these preliminary results.

DATES: Effective November 14, 2016. **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jessica Weeks, AD/CVD Operations,

Postpone Preliminary Determination," dated October 28, 2016.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On October 1, 2015, the Department published a notice of "Opportunity to Request Administrative Review" of the antidumping order on steel wire garment hangers from the PRC.1 In November 2015, the Department received multiple timely requests to conduct an administrative review of the antidumping duty order on steel wire garment hangers from the PRC.2 Based upon these requests, on December 3, 2015, the Department published a notice of initiation of an administrative review ("AR") of the Order covering the period October 1, 2014, to September 30, 2015.3 The Department initiated the administrative review with respect to 46 companies.4 On December 16, 2015, Petitioner withdrew its request for an administrative review on 44 companies.5 On June 2, 2016, the Department extended the period for issuing the preliminary results by 120 days.6 As explained in the memorandum from the Acting Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance, the Department exercised its discretion to toll deadlines because of the closure of the Federal Government.⁷ The preliminary results were extended by four business days.8 The revised deadline for the preliminary results is November 4, 2016.

8 Id.

¹ See Dioctyl Terephthalate From the Republic of Korea: Initiation of Less-Than-Fair-Value Investigation, 81 FR 49628 (July 28, 2016).

² See Letter from Petitioner, "Dioctyl Terephthalate ("DOTP") from Korea; Request to

¹ See Antidumping or Countervailing Duty Order, Finding, or Suspended Investigation; Opportunity To Request Administrative Review, 80 FR 59135 (October 1, 2015).

² See Notice of Antidumping Duty Order: Steel Wire Garment Hangers From the People's Republic of China, 73 FR 58111 (October 6, 2008) ("Order").

³ See Initiation of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Administrative Reviews, 80 FR 75657 (December 3, 2015).

⁴ Id.

⁵ See Letter to the Secretary of Commerce from Petitioner "Seventh Administrative Review of Steel Wire Garment Hangers from China—Petitioner's Withdrawal of Review Request" (December 16, 2015).

⁶ See Memorandum from Christian Marsh, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Operations from Jessica Weeks "Steel Wire Garment Hangers From the People's Republic of China ("PRC"): Extension of Deadline for Preliminary Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review" (June 2,2016).

⁷ See Memorandum for the Record from Ron Lorentzen, Acting Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance, "Tolling of Administrative Deadlines as a Result of the Government Closure during Snowstorm 'Jonas,'" (January 27, 2016).