

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[C-570-971]

Multilayered Wood Flooring From the People's Republic of China: Rescission of Countervailing Duty Administrative Review; 2023

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

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of Commerce (Commerce) is rescinding the administrative review of the countervailing duty order on multilayered wood flooring (wood flooring) from the People's Republic of China (China) for the period of review January 1, 2023, through December 31, 2023.

DATES: Applicable May 6, 2025.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jonathan Schueler or Laurel Smalley, AD/CVD Operations, Office VIII, Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482-9175 or (202) 482-3456, respectively.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**Background**

On December 8, 2011, Commerce issued a countervailing duty order on wood flooring from China.¹ On December 3, 2024, Commerce published in the **Federal Register** a notice of opportunity to request an administrative review of the countervailing duty order on multilayered wood flooring from the People's Republic of China for the period of review January 1, 2023, through December 31, 2023.² We received timely requests for an administrative review from Riverside Plywood Corporation, including its cross-owned affiliates Baroque Timber Industries (Zhongshan) Co., Ltd.; Suzhou Times Flooring Co., Ltd.; and Zhongshan Lianjia Flooring Co., Ltd., (collectively, Riverside Plywood)³ and seven other Chinese producers and/or exporters of multilayered wood

flooring.⁴ In accordance with 19 CFR 351.221(c)(1)(i), we initiated an administrative review with respect to these eight companies on January 27, 2025, in accordance with section 751(a) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act).⁵ For the reasons explained below, we are rescinding this administrative review with respect to all eight companies.

Rescission of Administrative Review

Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.213(d)(1), Commerce will rescind an administrative review, in whole or in part, if the party that requested a review withdraws its request within 90 days of the date of publication of the notice of initiation. Riverside Plywood withdrew its request for an administrative review by the established deadline.⁶ No other party requested an administrative review of Riverside Plywood or its cross-owned affiliates. As a result, Commerce is rescinding this review with respect to Riverside Plywood, including its cross-owned affiliates, in accordance with 19 CFR 351.213(d)(1).

On February 11, 2025, Commerce notified interested parties that, in the absence of suspended entries during the POR, we intended to rescind this administrative review with respect to the following seven producers and/or exporters pursuant to 19 CFR 351.213(d)(3): (1) Dongtai Fuan Universal Dynamics, LLC; (2) HaiLin LinJing Wooden Products Co., Ltd.; (3) Hunchun Xingjia Wooden Flooring Inc.; (4) Jiashan On-Line Lumber Co., Ltd.; (5) Suzhou Dongda Wood Co., Ltd.; (6) Zhejiang Longsen Lumbering Co., Ltd.; and (7) Zhejiang Shiyou Timber Co., Ltd.⁷ No party commented on our Intent to Rescind Memorandum. Therefore, we find that there are no reviewable entries of subject merchandise for these seven companies based on our review of the U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) data on the record.

Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.213(d)(3), it is Commerce's practice to rescind an administrative review of a countervailing duty order when Commerce concludes that there were no

reviewable entries of subject merchandise during the POR for an exporter or producer.⁸ Normally, upon completion of an administrative review, the suspended entries are liquidated at the countervailing duty assessment rate for the review period.⁹ Therefore, for an administrative review to be conducted, there must be a reviewable, suspended entry that Commerce can instruct CBP to liquidate at the calculated countervailing duty assessment rate for the review period.¹⁰ As noted above, there were no entries of subject merchandise during the POR from any of the seven companies remaining under review. Accordingly, in the absence of reviewable, suspended entries of subject merchandise during the POR, and because the sole remaining respondent timely withdrew its request for review, we are rescinding this administrative review, in its entirety, in accordance with 19 CFR 351.213(d)(1) and (3).

Cash Deposit Requirements

As Commerce has proceeded to a rescission of this administrative review, no cash deposit rates will change. Accordingly, the current cash deposit requirements shall remain in effect until further notice.

Assessment

Commerce will instruct U.S. Customs and Border Protection (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, 2023, through December 31, 2023, in accordance with 19 CFR 351.212(c)(1)(i). Commerce intends to issue assessment instructions to CBP no earlier than 35 days after publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**.

Notification Regarding Administrative Protective Orders

This notice also serves as a final reminder to parties subject to administrative protective order (APO) of their responsibility concerning the return or destruction of proprietary information disclosed under APO in accordance with 19 CFR 351.305(a)(3), which continues to govern business proprietary information in this segment of the proceeding. Timely written notification of the return or destruction of APO materials or conversion to

¹ See *Multilayered Wood Flooring from the People's Republic of China: Countervailing Duty Order*, 76 FR 76693 (December 8, 2011); and *Multilayered Wood Flooring from the People's Republic of China: Amended Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Orders*, 77 FR 5484 (February 3, 2012), wherein the scope of the order was modified (collectively, *Order*).

² See *Antidumping or Countervailing Duty Order, Finding, or Suspended Investigation: Opportunity to Request Administrative Review*, 89 FR 95737 (December 3, 2024).

³ See Riverside Plywood's Letter, "Request for Administrative Review," dated December 31, 2024.

⁴ See Zhejiang Longsen Lumbering Co., Ltd. and Hunchun Xingjia wooden Flooring Inc.'s Letter, "Request for Administrative Review," dated December 28, 2024; see also Jiashan On-Line Lumber Co., Ltd. *et al.*'s, "Request for Administrative Review," dated December 30, 2024.

⁵ See *Initiation of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Administrative Reviews*, 90 FR 8187 (January 27, 2025) (*Initiation Notice*).

⁶ See Riverside Plywood's Letter, "Withdrawal of Request for an Administrative Review," dated April 9, 2025.

⁷ See Memorandum, "Notice of Intent to Rescind Review, In Part," dated February 11, 2025 (Intent to Rescind Memorandum).

⁸ See, e.g., *Certain Carbon and Alloy Steel Cut-to-Length Plate from the Federal Republic of Germany: Rescission of Antidumping Administrative Review; 2020-2021*, 88 FR 4154 (January 24, 2023).

⁹ See 19 CFR 351.212(b)(2).

¹⁰ See 19 CFR 351.213(d)(3).

judicial protective order is hereby requested. Failure to comply with the regulations and terms of an APO is a violation which is subject to sanction.

Notification to Interested Parties

This notice is issued and published in accordance with sections 751(a)(1) and 777(i)(1) of the Act, and 19 CFR 351.213(d)(4).

Dated: April 30, 2025.

Scot Fullerton,

Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary for Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Operations.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

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[A-428-854]

Hexamethylenetetramine From Germany: Preliminary Affirmative Determination of Sales at Less-Than-Fair-Value, Postponement of Final Determination, and Extension of Provisional Measures

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

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of Commerce (Commerce) preliminarily determines that hexamethylenetetramine (hexamine) from Germany is being, or is likely to be, sold in the United States at less than fair value (LTFV). The period of investigation is July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2024. Interested parties are invited to comment on this preliminary determination.

DATES: Applicable May 6, 2025.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Maria Papakostas, AD/CVD Operations, Office IX, Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482-0086.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

This preliminary determination is made in accordance with section 733(b) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act). Commerce published the notice of initiation of this investigation on November 4, 2024.¹ On February 21, 2025, Commerce postponed the

¹ See *Hexamethylenetetramine from the People's Republic of China, Germany, India, and Saudi Arabia: Initiation of Less-Than-Fair-Value Investigations*, 89 FR 87545 (October 21, 2024) (*Initiation Notice*).

preliminary determination of this investigation until April 29, 2025.² For a complete description of the events that followed the initiation of this investigation, see the Preliminary Decision Memorandum.³ A list of topics included in the Preliminary Decision Memorandum is included as Appendix II 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 directly at <https://access.trade.gov/public/FRNoticesListLayout.aspx>.

Scope of the Investigation

The product covered by this investigation is hexamine from Germany. For a complete description of the scope of this investigation, see Appendix I.

Scope Comments

In accordance with the *Preamble* to Commerce's regulations,⁴ the *Initiation Notice*, Commerce set aside a period of time for parties to raise issues regarding product coverage (*i.e.*, scope).⁵ No interested party commented on the scope of the investigation as it appeared in the *Initiation Notice*. Thus, Commerce is not preliminarily modifying the scope language as it appeared in the *Initiation Notice*. See the scope in Appendix I to this notice.

Methodology

Commerce is conducting this investigation in accordance with section 731 of the Act. Commerce has calculated export prices in accordance with section 772(a) of the Act. Normal value is calculated in accordance with section 773 of the Act. Furthermore, pursuant to sections 776(a) and (b) of the Act, Commerce has preliminarily relied upon facts otherwise available with adverse inferences for Fiberpipe GFK Vertriebsgesellschaft (Fiberpipe).

² See *Hexamethylenetetramine from the People's Republic of China, Germany, India, and Saudi Arabia: Postponement of Preliminary Determinations in the Less-Than-Fair-Value Investigations*, 90 FR 10067 (February 21, 2025).

³ See Memorandum, "Decision Memorandum for the Preliminary Determination in the Less-Than-Fair-Value Investigation of Hexamethylenetetramine from Germany," dated concurrently with, and hereby adopted by, this notice (Preliminary Decision Memorandum).

⁴ See *Antidumping Duties; Countervailing Duties, Final Rule*, 62 FR 27296, 27323 (May 19, 1997) (*Preamble*).

⁵ See *Initiation Notice*.

For a full description of the methodology underlying the preliminary determination, see the Preliminary Decision Memorandum.

All-Others Rate

Sections 733(d)(1)(ii) and 735(c)(5)(A) of the Act provide that in the preliminary determination Commerce shall determine an estimated all-others rate for all exporters and producers not individually examined. This rate shall be an amount equal to the weighted average of the estimated weighted-average dumping margins established for exporters and producers individually investigated, excluding any zero and *de minimis* margins, and any margins determined entirely under section 776 of the Act.

In this investigation, Commerce preliminarily assigned a rate based entirely on adverse facts available to Fiberpipe. Therefore, the only rate that is not zero, *de minimis*, or based entirely on facts otherwise available is the rate calculated for Prefere Paraform GmbH & Co Kg (Prefere). Consequently, the rate calculated for Prefere is also assigned as the rate for all other producers and exporters.

Preliminary Determination

Commerce preliminarily determines that the following estimated weighted-average dumping margins exist:

Exporter/producer	Estimated weighted-average dumping margin (percent)
Prefere Paraform GmbH & Co Kg	52.14
Fiberpipe GFK Vertriebsgesellschaft	* 80.66
All Others	52.14

* Rate based on facts available with adverse inferences.

Disclosure

Commerce intends to disclose its calculations and analysis performed to interested parties in this preliminary determination within five days of any public announcement or, if there is no public announcement, within five days of the date of publication of this notice in accordance with 19 CFR 351.224(b).

Consistent with 19 CFR 351.224(e), Commerce will analyze and, if appropriate, correct any timely allegations of significant ministerial errors by amending the preliminary determination. However, consistent with 19 CFR 351.224(d), Commerce will not consider incomplete allegations that do not address the significance standard