for all entries of CTL plate made on or after January 1, 2000, and further calculation of antidumping cash deposit requirements for this merchandise is no longer necessary.

This notice 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 duties prior to liquidation of the relevant entries during this review period. Failure to comply with this requirement could result in the Secretary's presumption that reimbursement of antidumping duties occurred and the subsequent assessment of double antidumping duties.

This administrative review is being conducted and the notice published in accordance with sections 751(a)(1) of the Act (19 U.S.C. 1675(a)(1)) and 777(i)(1) of the Act (19 U.S.C 1677f(i)(1)).

Dated: August 24, 2001.

#### Richard W. Moreland,

Acting Assistant Secretary.
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#### **DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

## International Trade Administration

A-580-839

Polyester Staple Fiber from Korea; Notice of Extension of Time Limit for Administrative Review

**AGENCY:** Import Administration, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice of extension of time limit

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Commerce ("the Department") is extending the time limit for the preliminary results of the first administrative review of the antidumping duty order on polyester staple fiber from Korea. The period of review is November 8, 1999 through April 30, 2001. This extension is made pursuant to Section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended by the Uruguay Round Agreements Act ("the Act").

# **EFFECTIVE DATE:** September 4, 2001. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Craig Matney, Office 1, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington DC 20230; telephone (202) 482–1778.

**SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION:** The Department is considering how best to

address the review requests in this proceeding given our limited resources. Therefore, the Department finds it is not practicable to complete the preliminary determination by January 31, 2002 (see 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act). Accordingly, the Department is extending the time limit for completion of the preliminary results to no later than May 31, 2002. See 19 CFR 351.302(b).

In accordance with sections 751(a)(1) and 777(i)(1) of the Act, we are issuing and publishing this notice.

Dated: August 28, 2001.

#### Richard W. Moreland,

Acting Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

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### **DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

# National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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### **NOAA Ocean Exploration Initiative**

**AGENCY:** Office of Ocean Exploration, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In June 2000, a U.S. panel of ocean scientists, explorers, and educators convened to create a National Strategy for Ocean Exploration. Their final report, "Discovering Earth's final Frontier: A U.S. Strategy for Ocean Exploration", is a plan to undertake new activities in ocean exploration. NOAA is embarking on this new strategy through its Ocean Exploration Program, and desires to partner with public, private, and academic ocean exploration programs outside of NOAA.

The purpose of this notice is to advise the public, academic institutions, and private sector and government entities that the NOAA Office of Ocean Exploration (OE) is soliciting proposals in support of its mission to expand knowledge of the ocean's physical, chemical and biological environments, processes, characteristics, and resources by means of interdisciplinary expeditious to unknown, or poorly known, regions and through innovative experiments.

**DATES:** Proposals must be submitted to the Office of Ocean Exploration no later than 1 p.m. EST on November 7, 2001. Applications received after that time will not be considered for funding. Facsimile applications will not be accepted.

ADDRESSES: Send proposals to Katherine Croff, NOAA, Office of Ocean Exploration, Bldg. SSMC3, 11th Floor, 1315 East West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910 or via email to: oar.oe.submissions@noaa.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For further information, applicants and other interested parties are encouraged to contact the Office by phone at 301–713–9444 x–139 or via email at oar.oe.fag@noaa.gov or by letter (see ADDRESSES). A copy of this notice, as well as ancillary information, will be posted on the OE Program webpage which can be found at: http://oceanexplorer.noaa.gov.

### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

### I. Program Authority

Authority: 33 U.S.C. 883d. Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number: 11.460

### **II. Program Description**

## A. Mission and Background

The OE Program's mission is to search and investigate the oceans for the purpose of discovery and the advancement of knowledge of the ocean's physical, chemical and biological environments, processes, characteristics, and resources by means of interdisciplinary expeditious to unknown, or poorly known, regions and through innovative experiments. The Program advocates discovery-based science and collaboration between multiple partners and disciplines. Education and outreach are also important OE Program components.

NOAA's OE Program is viewed as a component of an envisioned larger National Ocean Exploration Program which is described in Discovering Earth's Final Frontier: A U.S. Strategy for Ocean Exploration http:// oceanpanel.nos.noaa.gov. As envisioned, it would seek to bring the best of our Nation's ocean scientists to ocean science and technological frontiers for the purposes of discovering more about life in the oceans, discovering new oceans processes, learning more about maritime cultural resources and heritage, and prospecting for biological and mineral resources. The NOAA OE Program will thereby support NOAA's role as the Nation's agency for ocean stewardship.

In order to facilitate pathfinding oceanic research and technology development, the OE Program will invest in well-justified projects that will expand our knowledge of the ocean's physical, chemical and biological environments as well as its processes,