

Signed at Washington, DC, this 12th day of March, 1999.

Robert S. LaRussa,

Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Import Administration, Alternate Chairman, Foreign-Trade Zones Board.

Attest:

Dennis Puccinelli,

Acting Executive Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[Order No. 1029]

Expansion of Foreign-Trade Zone 137, Loudoun County, VA

Pursuant to its authority under the Foreign-Trade Zones Act of June 18, 1934, as amended (19 U.S.C. 81a-81u), the Foreign-Trade Zones Board (the Board) adopts the following Order:

Whereas, the Washington Dulles Foreign Trade Zone, Inc., grantee of Foreign-Trade Zone 137, submitted an application to the Board for authority to expand FTZ 137 to include an additional site in Loudoun County, Virginia, within the Washington DC Customs port of entry (FTZ Docket 40-97; filed 5/8/97; amended 8/20/98);

Whereas, notice inviting public comment was given in **Federal Register** (62 FR 28445, 5/23/97) and the application has been processed pursuant to the FTZ Act and the Board's regulations; and,

Whereas, the Board adopts the findings and recommendations of the examiner's report, and finds that the requirements of the FTZ Act and Board's regulations are satisfied, and that the proposal would be in the public interest provided approval is subject to a monitoring condition;

Now, therefore, the Board hereby orders:

The application to expand FTZ 137 is approved, subject to the Act and the Board's regulations, including Section 400.28, and subject to subject to a condition that requires the grantee to submit an annual report to the Board regarding the procedures for identification and development of sites and users.

Signed at Washington, DC, this 12th day of March, 1999.

Robert S. LaRussa,

Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Import Administration, Alternate Chairman, Foreign-Trade Zones Board.

Attest:

Dennis Puccinelli,

Acting Executive Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[A-201-817]

Oil Country Tubular Goods From Mexico; Preliminary Results of Changed Circumstances Antidumping Duty Administrative Review

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

ACTION: Notice of preliminary results of changed circumstances antidumping duty administrative review.

SUMMARY: Since 1997, the Department of Commerce ("the Department") has received two requests to revoke the antidumping duty (AD) order covering Oil Country Tubular Goods ("OCTG") from Mexico as it pertains to drill pipe with tool joints attached (commonly referred to as finished drill pipe). One request came from the International Association of Drilling Contractors ("IADC"), requesting that the Department self-initiate a changed circumstances review for the antidumping duty orders covering OCTG from Mexico, Japan, and Argentina. The other request came from Grant Prideco Inc., the leading producer of finished drill pipe in the United States. The latter request, covering only the antidumping duty order on OCTG from Mexico, was withdrawn.

Because of the unusual circumstances surrounding this product, we initiated an antidumping duty changed circumstances administrative review to determine the extent of domestic industry support for continuing the antidumping duty order on OCTG from Mexico with regard to both unfinished and finished drill pipe. We included both finished and unfinished drill pipe in the review because the International Trade Commission determined, in its injury test, that both finished and unfinished drill pipe constituted a "like product" with respect to the antidumping duty orders on OCTG from Argentina, Japan, and Mexico. We solicited comments from parties

regarding this review, and also requested production figures for 1997 and the first quarter of 1998 for all identified domestic producers of the like product (i.e. finished and unfinished drill pipe). We conducted verifications of the submitted data between September 29 and October 2, 1998.

Based on the information submitted by producers, and our findings at verification, we preliminarily determine that there is insufficient domestic industry support for proceeding to revoke the antidumping duty order on oil country tubular goods with respect to finished drill pipe.

Interested parties are invited to comment on these preliminary results. Parties who submit argument in this proceeding are requested to submit with the argument (1) a statement of the issue and (2) a brief summary of the argument (no longer than five pages, including footnotes).

EFFECTIVE DATE: March 24, 1999.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: John K. Drury or Richard Weible, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20230; telephone (202) 482-3208 or (202) 482-1103, respectively.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Applicable Statute and Regulations

Unless otherwise indicated, all citations to the statute are references to the provisions effective January 1, 1995, the effective date of the amendments made to the Tariff Act by the Uruguay Round Agreements Act. In addition, unless otherwise indicated, all citations to the Department's regulations are to the current regulations.

Scope of the Review

The merchandise subject to this changed circumstances review is finished oil well drill pipe with tool joints attached. This merchandise is currently classifiable in the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS) under item number 8431.43.8010 as "Parts suitable for use solely or principally with the machinery of headings 8425 to 8430, [o]f machinery of heading 8426, 8429 or 8430: [p]arts for boring or sinking machinery of subheading 8430.41 or 8430.49: [o]ther: [o]f oil and gas field machinery." Although the HTSUS subheadings are provided for convenience and customs purposes, our written description of the scope of this review is dispositive.