

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[A-823-805]

Notice of Extension of Time Limits for the Preliminary Results of Administrative Review of the Suspension Agreement on Silicomanganese From Ukraine

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

ACTION: Notice of extension of time limits for the preliminary results of administrative review of the suspension agreement on silicomanganese from Ukraine.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce ("the Department") is extending the time limits for the preliminary results of the administrative review on the suspension agreement on silicomanganese from Ukraine.

EFFECTIVE DATE: August 9, 1999.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Carrie Blozy or Rick Johnson; Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482-0165 or (202) 482-3818, respectively.

Extension of Preliminary Results

The Department published its notice of initiation of this review in the **Federal Register** on December 23, 1998 (63 FR 71091). Because it is not practicable to issue the preliminary results of review by the current deadline of August 2, 1999, the Department is extending the time limits for the preliminary results of the aforementioned review 120 days, to November 30, 1999, in accordance with section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Tariff Act of 1930 ("the Act"), as amended by the Uruguay Round Agreements Act of 1994 (for a further discussion, see the August 2, 1999 *Decision Memorandum from Joseph A. Spetrini to Robert S. LaRussa: Request to Extend Preliminary Results in the Review of the Antidumping Duty Suspension Agreement on Silicomanganese from Ukraine*).

This extension of time limits is in accordance with section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act.

Dated: August 2, 1999.

Joseph A. Spetrini,

Deputy Assistant Secretary, AD/CVD Enforcement Group III.

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[A-351-806]

Silicon Metal From Brazil: Preliminary Results, Intent To Revoke in Part, Partial Rescission of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review, and Extension of Time Limits.

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

ACTION: Notice of preliminary results, intent to revoke in part, partial rescission of antidumping duty administrative review, and extension of time limits.

SUMMARY: In response to requests by American Silicon Technologies, Elkem Metals Company, and Globe Metallurgical, Inc. (petitioners), and by Companhia Brasileira Carbureto De Calcio (CBCC), Ligas de Alumínio S.A. (LIASA), and RIMA Industrial S/A (RIMA), the Department of Commerce (the Department) is conducting an administrative review of the antidumping duty order on silicon metal from Brazil. The period of review (POR) is July 1, 1997 through June 30, 1998.

We preliminarily determine that one respondent (Eletrosilex S.A. (Eletrosilex)) sold subject merchandise at less than normal value (NV) during the POR. If these preliminary results are adopted in our final results of administrative review, we will instruct Customs to assess antidumping duties on all appropriate entries. We invite interested parties to comment on the preliminary results. Parties who submit comments in this proceeding should also submit with the argument: (1) A statement of the issue(s), and (2) a brief summary of the argument (not to exceed five pages).

EFFECTIVE DATE: August 9, 1999.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Maisha Cryor (RIMA), telephone: (202) 482-5831; Jack Dulberger (Eletrosilex), 482-5505; Mark Manning (LIASA), 482-3936; Zev Primor (CBCC), 482-4114; AD/CVD Enforcement, Office Four, Group II, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC. 20230.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**The Applicable Statute**

Unless otherwise indicated, all citations to the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act), are references to the

provisions effective January 1, 1995, the effective date of the amendments made to the Act by the Uruguay Round Agreements Act (URAA). In addition, unless otherwise indicated, all citations to the Department's regulations are to the regulations at 19 CFR part 351 (April 1998).

Background

On July 31, 1991, the Department published in the **Federal Register** the antidumping duty order on silicon metal from Brazil (56 FR 36135). On July 1, 1998, the Department published in the **Federal Register** a notice of opportunity to request an administrative review of the antidumping duty order on silicon metal from Brazil for the period July 1, 1997 through June 30, 1998 (63 FR 35909). On July 29, 1998, in accordance with 19 CFR 351.213(b)(1), LIASA and RIMA requested that the Department conduct an administrative review of their respective sales. On July 30, 1998, CBCC requested that the Department conduct an administrative review of its sales and revoke the order with respect to CBCC pursuant to 19 CFR 351.222(e). On July 31, 1998, petitioners requested that the Department conduct an administrative review of sales made by CBCC, Eletrosilex, LIASA, Companhia Ferroligas Minas Gerais—Minasligas (Minasligas), and RIMA. On August 27, 1998, in accordance with 19 CFR 351.221(b)(1), the Department published in the **Federal Register** a notice of initiation of this antidumping duty administrative review (63 FR 45796). On September 18, 1998, the Department issued the antidumping administrative review questionnaire (antidumping questionnaire) to the respondents. The Department is conducting this review in accordance with section 751 of the Act.

The Department received questionnaire responses in October, November, and December 1998. We issued supplemental questionnaires to the parties in April, May, and June 1999, and received responses to these supplemental questionnaires in April, May, June, and July 1999.

Extension of Time Limits

On February 9, 1999 in accordance with section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act, the Department published in the **Federal Register** its notice extending the deadline for the preliminary results until July 31, 1999 (64 FR 6325).

Additionally, because it is not practicable to complete the final results of this review within the initial time limit established by the URAA (120 days after the date on which the preliminary results are published), in