DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
International Trade Administration
[A–583–837]
Polyethylene Terephthalate Film, Sheet and Strip from Taiwan: Extension of Time Limit for Preliminary Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review

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

EFFECTIVE DATE: March 25, 2010.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On August 25, 2009, the Department of Commerce (the Department) published the initiation of the administrative review of the antidumping duty order on polyethylene terephthalate film, sheet and strip from Taiwan for the period July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009. See Initiation of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Administrative Reviews and Request for Revocation in Part, 74 FR 42873 (August 25, 2009). This review covers two producers and/or exporters of the subject merchandise to the United States: Nan Ya Plastics Corporation, Ltd. (Nan Ya), and Shinkong Synthetic Fibers Corporation (Shinkong).

Extension of Time Limit for the Preliminary Results

Section 751(a)(2)(A) of the Act, as amended (the Act), and section 351.213(h)(1) of the Department’s regulations require the Department to issue the preliminary results of a review within 245 days after the last day of the anniversary month of the order or suspension agreement for which the administrative review was requested, and final results of the review within 120 days after the date on which the notice of the preliminary results is published in the Federal Register. However, if the Department determines that it is not practicable to complete the review within the aforementioned specified time limits, section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act and section 351.213(h)(2) of the Department’s regulations allow the Department to extend the 245–day period to 365 days and to extend the 120–day period to 180 days.

The last time that the Department conducted an administrative review of the antidumping order on polyethylene terephthalate film, sheet and strip from Taiwan was for the period of December 21, 2001 through June 30, 2003. The Department requires additional time to evaluate the questionnaire responses from Nan Ya and Shinkong in order to conduct a thorough analysis of all information on the record, including possible cost and affiliation issues. Therefore, the Department finds that it is not practicable to complete the preliminary results of this review within the original time limit and is extending the deadline for completion of the preliminary results of this administrative review by 120 days.

Additionally, on February 12, 2010, the Department issued a memorandum revising all case deadlines. As explained in the memorandum from the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Import Administration, the Department has exercised its discretion to toll deadlines for the duration of the closure of the Federal Government from February 5 through February 12, 2010. Thus, all deadlines in this segment of the proceeding have been extended by seven days. See Memorandum to the Record from Ronald Lorentzen, DAS for Import Administration, regarding “Tolling of Administrative Deadlines As a Result of the Government Closure During the Recent Snowstorm,” dated February 12, 2010. Therefore, we are hereby extending the deadline for the preliminary results by a total of 127 days; the revised deadline for the preliminary results of this administrative review is now August 7, 2010. However, August 7, 2010 falls on a Saturday, and it is the Department’s long–standing practice to issue a determination the next business day when the statutory deadline falls on a weekend, federal holiday, or any other day when the Department is closed. See Notice of Clarification: Application of “Next Business Day” Rule for Administrative Determination Deadlines Pursuant to the Tariff Act of 1930, as Amended, 70 FR 24533 (May 10, 2005). Accordingly, the deadline for the completion of these preliminary results is now no later than August 9, 2010.

This notice is issued and published pursuant to sections 751(a)(3)(A) and 777(i)(1) of the Act.

Dated: March 18, 2010.

John M. Andersen,
Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary for Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Operations.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
International Trade Administration
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Certain Steel Nails From the People’s Republic of China: Extension of Time Limit for the Final Results of the First New Shipper Review

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

DATES: Effective Date: March 25, 2010.

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Background

On January 15, 2010 the Department of Commerce (“Department”) published the preliminary results of the new shipper review for Qingdao Denarius Manufacture Co., Ltd for the period January 23, 2008, through January 31, 2009. See Certain Steel Nails from the People’s Republic of China: Notice of Preliminary Results of the New Shipper Review, 75 FR 2483 (January 15, 2010) (“Preliminary Results”). On February 16, 2010, the Department issued a memorandum that tolled the deadlines for all Import Administration cases by seven calendar days due to the recent Federal Government closure. See Memorandum for the Record from Ronald Lorentzen, DAS for Import Administration, Tolling of Administrative Deadlines as a Result of the Government Closure During the Recent Snowstorm, dated February 12, 2010. As a result, the final results are currently due on April 15, 2010.

Extension of Time Limits for the Final Results

Section 751(a)(2)(B)(iv) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (“Act”), and 19