DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Bureau of Industry and Security

Materials Technical Advisory Committee; Notice of Partially Closed Meeting

The Materials Technical Advisory Committee will meet on May 12, 2011, 10 a.m., Herbert C. Hoover Building, Room 3884, 14th Street between Constitution & Pennsylvania Avenues, NW., Washington, DC. The Committee advises the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Export Administration with respect to technical questions that affect the level of export controls applicable to materials and related technology.

Agenda

Open Session
1. Opening Remarks by the Chairman and Introduction.
4. Update on Regime-Based Activities.
5. Comments from the Public and New Business.

Closed Session
6. Discussion of matters determined to be exempt from the provisions relating to public meetings found in 5 U.S.C. app. 2 §§ 10(a)(1) and 10(a)(3).

The open session will be accessible via teleconference to 20 participants on a first come, first serve basis. To join the conference, submit inquiries to Ms. Yvette Springer at Yspringer@bis.doc.gov no later than May 5, 2011.

A limited number of seats will be available during the public session of the meeting. Reservations are not accepted. To the extent time permits, members of the public may present oral statements to the Committee. Written statements may be submitted at any time before or after the meeting.

However, to facilitate distribution of public presentation materials to Committee members, the materials should be forwarded prior to the meeting to Ms. Springer via email.

The Assistant Secretary for Administration, with the concurrence of the delegate of the General Counsel, formally determined on September 27, 2010, pursuant to Section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended, that the portion of the meeting dealing with matters the premature disclosure of which would likely frustrate the implementation of a proposed agency action as described in 5 U.S.C. 552(b)(9)(B) shall be exempt from the provisions relating to public meetings found in 5 U.S.C. app. 2 § 10(a)(1) and 10(a)(3). The remaining portions of the meeting will be open to the public.

For more information, call Yvette Springer at (202) 482–2813.

Dated: April 11, 2011.

Yvette Springer, Committee Liaison Officer.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

Certain Carbon Steel Butt-Weld Pipe Fittings From Brazil, Japan, Taiwan, Thailand, and the People’s Republic of China: Continuation of Antidumping Duty Orders

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

SUMMARY: On October 1, 2010, the Department of Commerce (the Department) initiated the third sunset reviews of the antidumping duty orders1 on carbon steel butt-weld pipe fittings from Brazil, Japan, Taiwan, and the PRC pursuant to section 751(c) of the Act. See Notice of Initiation. As a result of these sunset reviews, the Department determined that revocation of the antidumping duty orders on carbon steel butt-weld pipe fittings from Brazil, Japan, Taiwan, and the PRC would likely lead to continuation or recurrence of dumping and notified the ITC of the magnitude of the margins likely to prevail should the orders be revoked. See Certain Carbon Steel Butt-Weld Pipe Fittings From Brazil, Japan, Taiwan, Thailand, and the People’s Republic of China: Final Results of the Expedited Sunset Reviews of the Antidumping Duty Orders, 76 FR 7151 (February 9, 2011).2

On April 8, 2011, the ITC published its determination in the Federal Register, pursuant to section 751(c) of the Act, that revocation of the antidumping duty orders on carbon steel butt-weld pipe fittings from Brazil, Japan, Taiwan, Thailand, and the PRC would likely lead to continuation or recurrence of material injury to an industry in the United States within a reasonably foreseeable time. See Carbon

1 Antidumping Duty Order: Certain Carbon Steel Butt-Weld Pipe Fittings from Brazil, 51 FR 45152 (December 17, 1986); Antidumping Duty Order: Certain Carbon Steel Butt-Weld Pipe Fittings from Japan, 52 FR 4167 (February 10, 1987); Antidumping Duty Order: Certain Carbon Steel Butt-Weld Pipe Fittings From Taiwan, 51 FR 45152 (December 17, 1986); Antidumping Duty Order: Certain Carbon Steel Butt-Weld Pipe Fittings From Thailand, 57 FR 29702 (July 6, 1992); Antidumping Duty Order and Amendment to the Final Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value: Certain Carbon Steel Butt-Weld Pipe Fittings From the People’s Republic of China, 57 FR 29702 (July 6, 1992).

Steel Butt-Weld Pipe Fittings From Brazil, China, Japan, Taiwan, and Thailand, 76 FR 19788 (April 8, 2011), and USITC Publication 4222 (March 2011) entitled Carbon Steel Butt-Weld Pipe Fittings From Brazil, China, Japan, Taiwan, and Thailand (Inv. Nos. 731–TA–308–310 and 520–521 (Third Review).

Scope of the Orders

Brazil

The merchandise covered by the order consists of certain carbon steel butt-weld type fittings, other than couplings, under 14 inches in diameter, whether finished or unfinished, that have been formed in the shape of elbows, tees, reducers, caps, etc., and, if forged, have been advanced after forging. These advancements may include any one or more of the following: coining, heat treatment, shot blasting, grinding, die stamping or painting. Such merchandise was classifiable under Tariff Schedules of the United States Annotated (TSUSA) item number 610.8800. These imports are currently classified under the HTSUS item number 7307.93.3000. The HTSUS subheading is provided for convenience and customs purposes. The written product description remains dispositive.

Japan

The merchandise covered by the order consists of certain carbon steel butt-weld type fittings, other than couplings, under 14 inches in diameter, whether finished or unfinished, that have been formed in the shape of elbows, tees, reducers, caps, etc., and, if forged, have been advanced after forging. These advancements may include any one or more of the following: coining, heat treatment, shot blasting, grinding, die stamping or painting. Such merchandise was classifiable under TSUSA item number 610.8800. These imports are currently classified under the HTSUS item number 7307.93.30.00. The HTSUS subheading is provided for convenience and customs purposes. The written product description remains dispositive.

Thailand and PRC

The merchandise covered by the orders consists of certain carbon steel butt-weld pipe fittings, having an inside diameter of less than 14 inches, imported in either finished or unfinished form. These formed or forged pipe fittings are used to joint sections in piping systems where conditions require permanent, welded connections, as distinguished from fittings based on other fastening methods (e.g., threaded, grooved, or bolted fittings). Carbon steel butt-weld pipe fittings are currently classified under subheading 7307.93.30 of the HTSUS. The HTSUS subheading is provided for convenience and customs purposes. The written product description remains dispositive.

Continuation of Orders

As a result of the determinations by the Department and the ITC that revocation of the antidumping duty orders would likely lead to continuation or recurrence of dumping and material injury to an industry in the United States, pursuant to section 751(d)(2) of the Act, the Department hereby orders the continuation of the antidumping duty orders on carbon steel butt-weld pipe fittings from Brazil, Japan, Taiwan, and the PRC.

U.S. Customs and Border Protection will continue to collect antidumping cash deposits at the rates in effect at the time of entry for all imports of subject merchandise. The effective date of the continuation of the orders will be the date of publication of this notice of continuation in the Federal Register. Pursuant to sections 751(c)(2) and 751(c)(6)(A) of the Act, the Department intends to initiate the next five-year reviews of these orders not later than 30 days prior to the fifth anniversary of the effective date of continuation. These five-year sunset reviews and this notice are in accordance with section 751(c) of the Act and is published pursuant to section 777(i) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.218(b)(4).

Dated: April 8, 2011.

Ronald K. Lorentzen, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

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Corrosion-Resistant Carbon Steel Flat Products From the Republic of Korea:

Extension of Time Limits for the Preliminary Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review

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


Background


Extension of Time Limit of Preliminary Results

Section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (“the Act”), requires that the Department make a preliminary determination within 245 days after the last day of the anniversary month of an order for which a review is requested. Section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act further states that if it is not practicable to complete the review within the time period specified, the administering authority may extend the 245-day period to issue its preliminary results to up to 365 days.

We determine that completion of the preliminary results of this review within the 245-day period is not practicable.