INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION


Circular Welded Carbon-Quality Steel Pipe From India, Oman, the United Arab Emirates, and Vietnam

Determinations

On the basis of the record developed in the subject investigations, the United States International Trade Commission (Commission) determines, pursuant to sections 703(a) and 733(a) of the Tariff Act of 1930 (19 U.S.C. §§ 1671b(a) and 1673b(a)) (the Act), that there is a reasonable indication that an industry in the United States is materially injured or threatened with material injury by reason of imports into India, Oman, the United Arab Emirates, and Vietnam of circular welded carbon-quality steel pipe provided for in subheadings 7306.19, 7306.30, and 7306.50 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States, that are alleged to be sold in the United States at less than fair value (LTFV) and subsidized imports of circular welded carbon-quality steel pipe from India, Oman, the United Arab Emirates, and Vietnam. Accordingly, effective October 26, 2011, the Commission instituted countervailing duty investigation Nos. 701–TA–482–485 and antidumping duty investigation Nos. 731–TA–1191–1194 (Preliminary).

Notice of the institution of the Commission’s investigations and of a public conference to be held in connection therewith was given by posting copies of the notice in the Office of the Secretary, U.S. International Trade Commission, Washington, DC, and by publishing the notice in the Federal Register of November 3, 2011 (76 F.R. 68208). The conference was held in Washington, DC, on November 16, 2011, and all persons who requested the opportunity were permitted to appear in person or by counsel.


By order of the Commission. Issued: December 12, 2011.

James R. Holbein,
Secretary to the Commission.

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INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

[Investigation Nos. 701 TA–481 and 731–TA–1190 (Preliminary)]

Crystalline Silicon Photovoltaic Cells and Modules From China

Determinations

On the basis of the record developed in the subject investigations, the United States International Trade Commission (Commission) determines, pursuant to sections 703(a) and 733(a) of the Tariff Act of 1930 (19 U.S.C. 1671b(a) and 1673b(a)) (the Act), that there is a reasonable indication that an industry in the United States is materially injured by reason of imports from China of crystalline silicon photovoltaic cells and modules, provided for in subheading 8541.40.60 (statistical reporting numbers 8541.40.6020 and 8541.40.6030) of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States, that are alleged to be sold in the United States at less than fair value (LTFV) and subsidized by the Government of China.

Commencement of Final Phase Investigations

Pursuant to section 207.18 of the Commission’s rules, the Commission also gives notice of the commencement of the final phase of its investigations. The Commission will issue a final phase notice of scheduling, which will be published in the Federal Register as provided in section 207.21 of the Commission’s rules, upon notice from the Department of Commerce (Commerce) of affirmative preliminary determinations in the investigations under sections 703(b) or 733(b) of the Act, or, if the preliminary determinations are negative, upon notice of affirmative final determinations in those investigations under sections 705(a) or 735(a) of the Act. Parties that filed entries of appearance in the preliminary phase of the investigations need not enter a separate appearance for the final phase of the investigations. Industrial users, and, if the merchandise under investigation is sold at the retail level, representative consumer organizations have the right to appear as parties in Commission antidumping and countervailing duty investigations. The Secretary will prepare a public service list containing the names and addresses of all persons, or their representatives, who are parties to the investigations.
Background

On October 19, 2011, a petition was filed with the Commission and Commerce by Solar World Industries America, Hillsboro, OR, alleging that an industry in the United States is materially injured or threatened with material injury by reason of LTFV and subsidized imports of crystalline silicon photovoltaic cells and modules from China. Accordingly, effective October 19, 2011, the Commission instituted countervailing duty investigation No. 701–TA–481 and antidumping duty investigation No. 731–TA–1190 (Preliminary).

Notice of the institution of the Commission’s investigations and of a public conference to be held in connection therewith was given by posting copies of the notice in the Office of the Secretary, U.S. International Trade Commission, Washington, DC, and by publishing the notice in the Federal Register of October 27, 2011 (76 FR 66748). The conference was held in Washington, DC, on November 8, 2011, and all persons who requested the opportunity were permitted to appear in person or by counsel.


By order of the Commission.

James R. Holbein,
Secretary to the Commission.

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Notice of Lodging Proposed Consent Decree

Notice of Lodging of Consent Decree Under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act

Notice is hereby given that on December 12, 2011, a proposed Consent Decree in United States of America and District of Columbia v. Washington Gas Light Company, Civil Action No. 1:11–cv–02199–RMC, was lodged with the United States District Court for the District of Columbia.

In this action the United States and the District of Columbia sought to recover from Washington Gas Light Company response costs incurred or to be incurred by the National Park Service, the United States Department of the Interior, the United States Environmental Protection Agency, and the District Department of the Environment in responding to releases or threatened releases of hazardous substances at or from the Washington Gas East Station Site, located in Washington, DC (the “Site”).

The Consent Decree requires Washington Gas to reimburse past response costs in the amounts of $500,000.00 to the National Park Service and the U.S. Department of the Interior; $160,000.00 to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency; and $70,673.62 to the District of Columbia. The Consent Decree also requires Washington Gas to pay all future costs incurred by the United States and the District of Columbia in connection with the Site.

Washington Gas is required to implement a soil remedy at the Site set forth in a Record of Decision issued by the National Park Service in 2006 (“ROD”). As set forth in the ROD, Washington Gas is required to continue operating its existing pump-and-treat system for the control and removal of hazardous substances in groundwater. Washington Gas will perform a remedial investigation and feasibility study to further determine the nature and extent of Site contamination in the groundwater and surface water and sediments in the Anacostia River. The feasibility study will identify and evaluate remedial alternatives and, if necessary, identify a further remedial action for the groundwater and River.


The Department of Justice will receive for a period of sixty (60) days from the date of this publication comments relating to the Decree. Comments should be addressed to the Assistant Attorney General, Environmental and Natural Resources Division, and either emailed to publiccomment-ees.enu@usdoj.gov or mailed to P.O. Box 7611, U.S. Department of Justice, Washington, DC 20044–7611, and should refer to United States of America and District of Columbia v. Washington Gas Light Company, Civil Action No. 1:11–cv–02199–RMC (D.D.C.), D.J. Ref. 90–11–2–08557/2. Comments may request an opportunity for a public meeting in the affected area, in accordance with Section 7003(d) of RCRA.

During the public comment period, the Decree may also be examined on the following Department of Justice Web site, http://www.usdoj.gov/enrd/Consent_Decrees.html. A copy of the Decree may also be obtained by mail from the Consent Decree Library, P.O. Box 7611, U.S. Department of Justice, Washington, DC 20044–7611 or by faxing or emailing a request to Tonia Fleetwood (tonia.fleetwood@usdoj.gov), fax number (202) 514–0097, phone confirmation number (202) 514–1547.

In requesting a copy from the Consent Decree Library, please enclose a check in the amount of $71.25 (25 cents per page reproduction cost) payable to the U.S. Treasurer.

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