DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Bureau of Industry and Security

Proposed Information Collection; Comment Request; Chemical Weapons Convention Provisions of the Export Administration Regulations

AGENCY: Bureau of Industry and Security, Commerce.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Written comments must be submitted on or before June 15, 2012.

AFFIRMED: Direct all written comments to Jennifer Jessup, Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 6616, 14th and Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20230 (or via the Internet at JJessup@doc.gov).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument and instructions should be directed to Larry Hall, BIS ICB Liaison, (202) 482–7906, Lawrence.Hall@bis.doc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

The Chemical Weapons Convention (CWC) is a multilateral arms control treaty that seeks to achieve an international ban on chemical weapons (CW). The CWC prohibits the use, development, production, acquisition, stockpiling, retention, and direct or indirect transfer of chemical weapons. This collection implements the following provision of the treaty:

Schedule 1 notification and report: Under Part VI of the CWC Verification Annex, the United States is required to notify the Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW), the international organization created to implement the CWC, at least 30 days before any transfer (export/import) of Schedule 1 chemicals to another State Party. The United States is also required to submit annual reports to the OPCW on all transfers of Schedule 1 Chemicals.

End-Use Certificates: Under Part VIII of the CWC Verification Annex, the United States is required to obtain End-Use Certificates for transfers of Schedule 3 chemicals to Non-States Parties to ensure the transferred chemicals are only used for the purposes not prohibited under the Convention.

II. Method of Collection

Submitted electronically or on paper.

III. Data

OMB Control Number: 0694–0117. Form Number(s): Not applicable. Type of Review: Regular submission (extension of a currently approved information collection).

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit organizations.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 33.

Estimated Time per Response: 30 minutes.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 17.

Estimated Total Annual Cost to Public: $0.

IV. Request for Comments

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency’s estimate of the burden (including hours and cost) of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval of this information collection; they also will become a matter of public record.


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Management Analyst, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

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Certain Kitchen Appliance Shelving and Racks From the People’s Republic of China: Extension of Time Limit for the Preliminary Results

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

DATES: Effective Date: April 16, 2012.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Katie Marksberry, AD/CVD Operations, Office 9, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20230; telephone, (202) 482–7906.

Background

On October 30, 2011, the Department of Commerce (“Department”) published the notice of initiation of an administrative review of the antidumping duty order on certain kitchen appliance shelving and racks from the People’s Republic of China (“PRC”), covering the period September 1, 2010, through August 31, 2011. On November 17, 2011, after receiving U.S. Customs and Border Protection (“CBP”) data, the Department selected a mandatory respondent and issued its antidumping questionnaire. Additionally, on December 21, 2011, after receiving comments and rebuttal comments from Petitioners, New King Shan (Zhu Hai) Co., Ltd. and Guangdong Wireking Housewares and Hardware Co., Ltd., the Department selected an additional mandatory respondent. The preliminary results of this administrative review are currently due on June 1, 2012.

Extension of Time Limits for the Preliminary Results

Section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (“the Act”), requires the Department to issue preliminary results of an administrative review within 245 days after the last day of the anniversary month of an order for which a review is requested and to issue final results within 120 days after the date on which the preliminary results are published. However, if it is not practicable to complete the review within these time periods, section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act allows the Department to extend the time limit for the preliminary results to a maximum of 365 days after the last day of the anniversary month.

The Department determines that completion of the preliminary results of this review within the statutory time

1 See Initiation of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Administrative Reviews, 76 FR 67133 (October 31, 2011).

2 Nashville Wire Products Inc. and SSW Holding Company, Inc. (collectively, “Petitioners”).

period is not practicable. The Department requires more time to gather and analyze surrogate country and value information, review questionnaire responses, and issue supplemental questionnaires. Therefore, in accordance with section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act, we are extending the time period for issuing the preliminary results of review by 120 days until September 29, 2012. The final results continue to be due 120 days after the publication of the preliminary results.

This notice is published pursuant to sections 751(a)(3)(A) and 777(i) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.213(h)(2).

Dated: April 9, 2012.

Christian Marsh,
Deputy Assistant Secretary for Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Operations.

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Citic acid and certain citrate salts from the People's Republic of China: Extension of Time Limit for the Preliminary Results of the Antidumping Duty Administrative Review

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

DATES: Effective Date: April 16, 2012.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Krisha Hill or Maisha Cryor, AD/CVD Operations, Office 4, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482–4037 or (202) 482–5831, respectively.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On June 28, 2011, the Department of Commerce ("the Department") published the initiation of the administrative review of the antidumping duty order on citric acid and certain citrate salts ("citric acid") from the People’s Republic of China ("PRC"). On January 10, 2012, the Department published the extension of time limit for the preliminary results of the administrative review. This review covers the period May 1, 2010, through April 30, 2011. The preliminary results of review are currently due no later than April 30, 2012. Pursuant to section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended ("the Act"), the Department shall make a preliminary determination in an administrative review of an antidumping duty order within 245 days after the last day of the anniversary month of the date of publication of the order. The Act further provides, however, that the Department may extend that 245-day period to 365 days if it determines it is not practicable to complete the review within the foregoing time period.

The Department finds that it is not practicable to complete the preliminary results of the administrative review of citric acid from the PRC within this time limit. Specifically, additional time is needed to evaluate relevant evidence and parties’ comments regarding the selection of appropriate surrogate values with which to value the factors of production. Therefore, in accordance with section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act, the Department is fully extending the time period for completion of the preliminary results of this review by an additional 30 days. The preliminary results will now be due no later than May 30, 2012.

This notice is published in accordance with sections 751(a)(3)(A) and 777(i) of the Act.

Dated: April 9, 2012.

Christian Marsh,
Deputy Assistant Secretary for Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Operations.

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International Trade Administration

Lightweight thermal paper from Germany: Notice of Partial Rescission of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review

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

DATES: Effective Date: April 16, 2012.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Stephanie Moore or George McMahon, AD/CVD Operations, Office 3, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482–3692 or (202) 482–1167, respectively.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On November 1, 2011, the Department of Commerce (the Department) published in the Federal Register a notice of “Opportunity to Request Administrative Review” of the antidumping duty order on lightweight thermal paper (thermal paper) from Germany for the period of review (POR) November 1, 2010, through October 31, 2011.

On November 30, 2011, the Department received a timely request filed on behalf of Appleton Papers Inc. (petitioner) to conduct an administrative review of Mitsubishi HiTec Paper Flensburg GmbH, Mitsubishi HiTec Paper Bielefeld GmbH, and Mitsubishi International Corp. (collectively, Mitsubishi), and Papierfabrik August Koehler AG and Koehler America, Inc. (Koehler). On November 30, 2011, the Department also received a request filed on behalf of Mitsubishi HiTec Paper Europe GmbH to conduct an administrative review of Mitsubishi HiTec Paper Europe GmbH and a request filed on behalf of Koehler to conduct an administrative review of Koehler.

Pursuant to the aforementioned requests, the Department published in the Federal Register a notice of

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[Two sections removed for brevity.]

1 September 29, 2012, is a Saturday. Department practice dictates that where a deadline falls on a weekend or federal holiday, the appropriate deadline is the next business day. 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 Department will issue the preliminary results on October 1, 2012.


4 Mitsubishi stated in its review request letter, dated November 30, 2011, “[a]s of October 15, 2010, and for purposes of streamlining in-house processes and organizational structure, Mitsubishi HiTec Paper Flensburg GmbH, and Mitsubishi HiTec Paper Bielefeld GmbH have merged and now operate as Mitsubishi HiTec Paper Europe GmbH.”