DENPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
International Trade Administration
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Polyethylene Terephthalate Film, Sheet, and Strip From the People’s Republic of China: Initiation of Antidumping Duty New Shipper Review

AGENCY: Enforcement & Compliance, formerly Import Administration, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

DATES: Effective Date: December 30, 2013.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce (“Department”) has determined that a request for a new shipper review of the antidumping duty order on polyethylene terephthalate film, sheet, and strip (“PET film”) from the People’s Republic of China (“PRC”) meets the statutory and regulatory requirements for initiation. The period of review (“POR”) for the new shipper review is November 1, 2012 through October 31, 2013.


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background


On December 12, 2013, the Department received entry data from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (“CBP”). We have also requested entry documents from CBP in order to confirm certain information reported by Huangshi Yucheng. The continuation of the new shipper review will be contingent upon confirmation of the information in the request.

Requestor stated that Jiangsu Shuangxing Color Plastic New Materials Co., Ltd. (“Jiangsu Shuangxing”) is the producer and Huangshi Yucheng is the exporter of the subject merchandise upon which its request for a new shipper review is based. Pursuant to section 751(a)(2)(B)(i)(I) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.214(b)(2)(i), Huangshi Yucheng and Jiangsu Shuangxing certified that they did not export PET film to the United States during the period of investigation (“POI”). In addition, pursuant to section 751(a)(2)(B)(i)(II) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.214(b)(2)(ii)(A), Huangshi Yucheng and Jiangsu Shuangxing certified that since the initiation of the investigation, they have never been affiliated with any PRC exporter or producer who exported PET film to the United States during the POI, including those not individually examined during the investigation. As required by 19 CFR 351.214(b)(2)(iii)(B), Huangshi Yucheng also certified that its export activities were not controlled by the central government of the PRC.

In addition to the certifications described above, pursuant to 19 CFR 351.214(b)(2)(iv), Huangshi Yucheng submitted documentation establishing the following: (1) the date on which it first shipped PET film to the United States and the date on which the PET film was first entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption; (2) the volume of its first shipment; and (3) the date of its first sale to an unaffiliated customer in the United States.

The Department conducted a CBP database query and confirmed by examining the results of the CBP data query that Huangshi Yucheng’s subject merchandise entered the United States during the POR specified by the Department’s regulations. Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.221(c)(1)(i), the Department will publish the notice of initiation of a new shipper review no later than the last day of the month following the anniversary or semiannual anniversary month of the order.

Initiation of New Shipper Review

Pursuant to section 751(a)(2)(B) of the Act, 19 CFR 351.214(b), and based on the information on the record, the Department finds that Huangshi Yucheng meets the threshold requirements for initiation of a new shipper review of its shipment(s) of PET film from the PRC. The POR for the new shipper review of Huangshi Yucheng is November 1, 2012, through October 31, 2013. The Department intends to issue the preliminary results of this review no later than 180 days from the date of initiation, and the final results of this review no later than 90 days after the date the preliminary results are issued.

It is the Department’s usual practice, in cases involving non-market economies, to require that a company seeking to establish eligibility for an antidumping duty rate separate from the country-wide rate provide evidence of de jure and de facto absence of government control over the company’s export activities. Accordingly, we will issue a questionnaire to Huangshi Yucheng which will include a separate rate section. The review of the exporter will proceed if the response provides sufficient indication that the exporter is not subject to either de jure or de facto government control with respect to its exports of PET film.

We will instruct CBP to allow, at the option of the importer, the posting, until the completion of the review, of a bond or security in lieu of a cash deposit for certain entries of the subject merchandise from Huangshi Yucheng in accordance with section 751(a)(2)(B)(iii) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.214(e).

Because Requestor stated that Huangshi Yucheng exports the subject merchandise, the sales of which form the basis for its new shipper review request, we will instruct CBP to permit the use of a bond only for entries of

1 See Letter from Huangshi Yucheng and Now Plastics to the Secretary of Commerce “Polyethylene Terephthalate Film, Sheet, and Strip From the People’s Republic of China: A–570–924: Request for New Shipper Review of Exports by Huangshi Yucheng Trade Co., Ltd.,” dated December 2, 2013. The Department notes that the last day of the anniversary month was Saturday, November 30, 2013. Therefore, the deadline to file a request for a new shipper review was the next business day, i.e., Monday, December 2, 2013.


3 See generally, Initiation Checklist.

4 Id.


6 See generally, Initiation Checklist.

7 See 19 CFR 351.214(g)(1)(i)(A).

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International Trade Administration  

University of Minnesota, et al.; Notice of Consolidated Decision on Applications for Duty-Free Entry of Electron Microscope  

This is a decision consolidated pursuant to Section 6(c) of the Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Materials Importation Act of 1966 (Pub. L. 89–651, as amended by Pub. L. 106–151), and with the concurrence of the General Services Administration, renewed the Charter for the Advisory Committee on Supply Chain Competitiveness on November 20, 2013. This Notice is published in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) (Title 5, United States Code, Appendix 2, § 9). It has been determined that the Committee is necessary and in the public interest. The Committee was established pursuant to Commerce’s authority under 15 U.S.C. 1512, established under the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), as amended, 5 U.S.C., and with the concurrence of the General Services Administration. The Committee provides advice to the Secretary on the necessary elements of a comprehensive policy approach to supply chain competitiveness designed to support U.S. export growth and national economic competitiveness, encourage innovation, facilitate the movement of goods, and improve the competitiveness of U.S. supply chains for goods and services in the domestic and global economy; and to provide advice to the Secretary on regulatory policies and programs and investment priorities that affect the competitiveness of U.S. supply chains. The total number of members that may serve on the Committee is increased from 40 to a maximum of 45.

Dated: December 20, 2013.

Gregory W. Campbell,  
Director, Subsidies Enforcement Office, Enforcement and Compliance.

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Advisory Committee on Supply Chain Competitiveness Charter Renewal  

AGENCY: International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce.  
ACTION: Notice.  

SUMMARY: The Chief Financial Officer and Assistant Secretary for Administration, with the concurrence of the General Services Administration, renewed the Charter for the Advisory Committee on Supply Chain Competitiveness on November 20, 2013.  
DATES: The Charter for the Advisory Committee on Supply Chain Competitiveness was renewed on November 20, 2013.  
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Dated: December 20, 2013.

David Long,  
Director, Office of Supply Chain and Professional & Business Services.

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Export Trade Certificate of Review  

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