#### **FACT SHEET**

# Commerce Initiates Antidumping Duty Investigation on Coated Free Sheet Paper from the People's Republic of China

- On November 21, the Department of Commerce (Department) announced its decision to initiate an antidumping duty investigation on imports of coated free sheet paper from the People's Republic of China.
- NewPage Corporation (OH) is the petitioner for this investigation.
- The merchandise covered by this investigation includes coated free sheet paper and paperboard of a kind used for writing, printing or other graphic purposes.
- Excluded from the scope are: (1) coated free sheet paper that is imported printed with final content printed text or graphics; (2) base paper to be sensitized for use in photography; and (3) paper containing by weight 25 percent or more cotton fiber.
- Coated free sheet paper is classifiable under subheadings 4810.13.1900, 4810.13.2010, 4810.13.2090, 4810.13.5000, 4810.13.7040, 4810.14.1900, 4810.14.2010, 4810.14.2090, 4810.14.5000, 4810.14.7040, 4810.19.1900, 4810.19.2010, and 4810.19.2090 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS). While HTSUS subheadings are provided for convenience and customs purposes, our written description of the scope of this investigation is dispositive.

#### **NEXT STEPS**

- The U.S. International Trade Commission (ITC) is scheduled to make its preliminary injury determination on or about December 15, 2006.
- If the ITC determines that there is a reasonable indication that imports from China are materially injuring, or threatening material injury to, the domestic industry, the investigation will continue, and the Department will be scheduled to make its preliminary determination in April 2007.

## **Estimated Dumping Margin:**

COUNTRY	MARGIN	
China	99.65%	

### **Case Calendar:**

EVENT	DATE	
Petition Filed	October 31, 2006	
DOC Initiation Date	November 20, 2006	
ITC Preliminary Determination	December 15, 2006	
DOC Preliminary Determination*	April 9, 2007	
DOC Final Determination*	June 25, 2007	
ITC Final Determination**	August 7, 2007	
Issuance of Order***	August 14, 2007	

<sup>\*</sup> These deadlines may be extended under the governing statute.

## **Import Statistics:**

China	2003	2004	2005
Volume (kilograms)	49,576,970	29,281,506	99,181,692
Value (\$US)	\$37,026,173	\$21,499,613	\$80,876,145

Source: U.S. International Trade Commission, Dataweb (HTS 4810.13.1900, 4810.13.2010, 4810.13.2090, 4810.13.5000, 4810.13.7040, 4810.14.1900, 4810.14.2010, 4810.14.2090, 4810.14.5000, 4810.14.7040, 4810.19.1900, 4810.19.2010, and 4810.19.2090)

<sup>\*\*</sup> This will take place only in the event of a final affirmative determination from the Department of Commerce.

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