



FACT SHEET

Commerce Initiates Antidumping Duty Investigations on Electrolytic Manganese Dioxide from Australia and the People's Republic of China

- On September 12, the Department of Commerce (Commerce) announced its decision to initiate antidumping duty investigations on imports of electrolytic manganese dioxide from Australia and the People's Republic of China (China).
- Tronox LLC (OK) is the petitioner for these investigations. Tronox LLC has an electrolytic manganese dioxide plant located in Nevada.
- The merchandise covered by these investigations includes electrolytic manganese dioxide that has been manufactured in an electrolysis process, whether in powder, chip, or plate form. Excluded from the scope are natural manganese dioxide and chemical manganese dioxide.
- Electrolytic manganese dioxide is classifiable under subheadings 2820.10.00.00 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS). While HTSUS subheadings are provided for convenience and customs purposes, Commerce's written description of the scope of these investigations is dispositive.

NEXT STEPS

- The U.S. International Trade Commission (ITC) is scheduled to make its preliminary injury determination on or about October 9, 2007.
- If the ITC determines that there is a reasonable indication that imports from Australia and China are materially injuring, or threatening material injury to, the domestic industry, the investigations will continue, and Commerce will be scheduled to make its preliminary determination in January 2008. If the ITC makes a negative preliminary injury determination, these investigations will be terminated.

Alleged Dumping Margin:

COUNTRY	MARGIN
AUSTRALIA	52.94%
CHINA	133.76%

Case Calendar:

EVENT	DATE
Petitions Filed	August 22, 2007
DOC Initiation Date	September 11, 2007
ITC Preliminary Determination	October 9, 2007
DOC Preliminary Determinations*	January 29, 2008
DOC Final Determinations*	April 14, 2008
ITC Final Determination**	May 28, 2008
Issuance of Orders***	June 4, 2008

* These deadlines may be extended under the governing statute.

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Import Statistics:

AUSTRALIA	2004	2005	2006
Volume (MT)	7,974	15,871	13,675
Value (\$US)	9,779,804	20,999,857	19,314,204
CHINA	2004	2005	2006
Volume (MT)	11,327	10,344	15,061
Value (\$US)	11,405,514	10,907,162	15,967,124

Source: U.S. International Trade Commission, Dataweb (HTSUS 2820.10.00.00)