

meeting is to discuss issues pertinent to the implementation of the Northwest Forest Plan (NFP) and to provide advice to federal land managers in the Province. The specific topics to be covered at the meeting include background information of the NFP for new members and updates on the ongoing revisions to the NFP.

DATES: The meeting will be held June 20, 2003.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Salem District Office of the Bureau of Land Management, 1717 Fabry Road, Salem, Oregon. Send written comments to Neal Forrester, Willamette Province Advisory Committee, c/o Willamette National Forest, PO Box 10607, Eugene, Oregon 97440, (541) 225-6436 or electronically to nforrester@fs.fed.us.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Neal Forrester, Willamette National Forest, (541) 225-6436.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The meeting is open to the public. Committee discussion is limited to PAC members. However, persons who wish to bring matters to the attention of the Committee may file written statements with the PAC staff before or after the meeting. A public forum will be provided and individuals will have the opportunity to address the PAC. Oral comments will be limited to three minutes.

Dated: May 28, 2003.

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Deputy Forest Supervisor, Willamette National Forest.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Bureau of the Census

[Docket Number 030527134-3134-01]

Proposed Data Sharing Activity

AGENCY: Bureau of the Census, Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice and request for public comment.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of the Census (Census Bureau) conducts the Survey of Industrial Research and Development (R&D). The National Science Foundation (NSF) provides the funding for this data collection. The Census Bureau proposes to provide data collected from the 1997 and 1999 R&D surveys to the Bureau of Economic Analysis (BEA) for statistical purposes exclusively. In accordance with the requirement of Section 524(d) of the

Confidential Information Protection and Statistical Efficiency Act of 2002 (CIPSEA), we are providing the opportunity for public comment on this data-sharing action. Through the use of these shared data, the BEA will augment its existing R&D-related data, identify data quality issues arising from reporting differences in the BEA and Census Bureau surveys, and improve its survey sample frames. The NSF will be provided non-confidential aggregate data (public use) and reports that have cleared Census Bureau disclosure review. Disclosure review is a process conducted to verify that the data to be released do not reveal any confidential information.

DATES: Written comments must be submitted on or before August 4, 2003.

ADDRESSES: Please direct all written comments on this proposed program to the Director, U.S. Census Bureau, 4700 Silver Hill Road, Washington, DC 20233-0100.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information on this proposed program should be directed to Kimberly Moore, Assistant Division Chief for Special Studies and M3 Programs, Manufacturing and Construction Division, U.S. Census Bureau, 4700 Silver Hill Road, Washington, DC 20233-6900, by phone on (301) 763-7643 or by fax (301) 457-4583.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

CIPSEA (Pub. L. 107-347, Subtitle V) allows the Census Bureau and the BEA to share certain business data for exclusively statistical purposes. Section 524(d) of the Act requires a **Federal Register** notice announcing the intent to share data (allowing 60 days for public comment).

Section 524(d) also requires us to provide information about the terms of the agreement for data sharing. For purposes of this notice, the Census Bureau has decided to group these terms by three categories. The categories are:

- Shared data
- Statistical purposes for the shared data
- Data access and confidentiality

Shared Data

The Census Bureau proposes to provide the BEA with data collected from the 1997 and 1999 Surveys of Industrial Research and Development (R&D). The agreement also calls for the BEA to share data from its 1997 Foreign Direct Investment in the United States and 1999 U.S. Direct Investment Abroad surveys with the Census Bureau. In the

future, the BEA will issue a separate notice addressing this issue.

The BEA will use these data for statistical purposes exclusively. Through record linkage, the BEA will augment its existing R&D-related data, identify data quality issues arising from reporting differences in the BEA and Census Bureau surveys, and improve its survey sample frames.

Statistical Purposes for the Shared Data

The data collected from the Survey of Industrial Research and Development (R&D) estimate the expenditures of research and development performed by United States-based industrial firms. The survey is conducted annually; however, the proposed data to be shared are from the 1997 and 1999 surveys only. Statistics from the annual surveys are published in the NSF's annual publication series "Research and Development in Industry." Data collected by this survey include company characteristics and R&D spending information. Characteristics data include net sales, total employment, and employment of scientists and engineers. R&D spending data include the following: total spending; federally funded (total and by agency) spending for basic and applied R&D, for basic research by field, and for applied R&D by product group and energy and pollution abatement activities; R&D spending by state; and R&D financed by domestic firms but performed abroad. All data are collected under Sections 131, 182, 224, and 225 of Title 13, United States Code (U.S.C.).

Data Access and Confidentiality

Title 13, U.S.C., protects the confidentiality of these data. The data may be seen only by persons sworn to uphold the confidentiality of the information. Access to the shared data will be restricted to specifically authorized personnel and will be provided for statistical purposes only. All BEA employees with access to these data will attain Census Bureau Special Sworn Status—meaning that they, under penalty of law, must uphold the data's confidentiality. Selected NSF employees will provide the BEA with expertise on the aspects of R&D performance in the United States and by U.S. companies abroad; these NSF consultants assisting with the work at the BEA also will attain Census Bureau Special Sworn Status. No confidential data will be provided to the NSF. To further safeguard the confidentiality of the data, the Census Bureau will conduct an Information Technology security review of the BEA prior to sharing any data files. Any results of this research are

subject to Census Bureau disclosure protection.

Dated: May 28, 2003.

Charles Louis Kincannon,

Director, Bureau of the Census.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[A-570-846]

Brake Rotors From the People's Republic of China: Preliminary Results of the Eighth New Shipper Review

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

ACTION: Notice of preliminary results of the eighth new shipper review.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce is currently conducting the eighth new shipper review of the antidumping duty order on brake rotors from the People's Republic of China covering the period April 1, 2002, through September 30, 2002. This review covers two exporters. We have preliminarily determined that sales have not been made at less than normal value with respect to the exporters subject to this review. If these preliminary results are adopted in our final results of this review, we will instruct the U.S. Bureau of Customs and Border Protection¹ ("BCBP") to assess antidumping duties on entries of subject merchandise during the period of review ("POR"), for which the importer-specific assessment rates are above *de minimis*.

Interested parties are invited to comment on these preliminary results. We will issue the final results no later than 90 days from the date of issuance of these preliminary results.

EFFECTIVE DATE: June 3, 2003.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Brian Smith, Terre Keaton or Margarita Panayi, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482-1766, (202) 482-1280 or (202) 482-0049, respectively.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On October 31, 2002, the Department received timely requests from Xiangfen

Hengtai Brake System Co., Ltd ("Hengtai") and Xianghe Xumingyuan Auto Parts Co., Ltd. ("Xumingyuan") for a new shipper review of this antidumping duty order in accordance with 19 CFR 351.214(c). In their requests for a new shipper review and in accordance with 19 CFR 351.214(b)(2)(i) and (iii)(A), Hengtai and Xumingyuan each certified that it did not export the subject merchandise to the United States during the period covered by the original less-than-fair-value ("LTFV") investigation and that it is not affiliated with any company which exported the subject merchandise to the United States during the period of investigation ("POI"). Hengtai and Xumingyuan also certified that their export activities are not controlled by the central government of the People's Republic of China ("PRC"). Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.214(b)(2)(iv), Hengtai and Xumingyuan submitted documentation establishing the date on which the merchandise was first shipped for export to the United States, the volume of that first shipment, and the date of the first sale to an unaffiliated customer in the United States.

On December 3, 2002, the Department published a notice of initiation of a new shipper review of Hengtai and Xumingyuan (*see Brake Rotors from the People's Republic of China: Initiation of New Shipper Antidumping Duty Review*, 67 FR 71934 (December 3, 2002)). On December 4, 2002, the Department issued a questionnaire to each company.

On December 19, 2002, the Department provided the parties an opportunity to submit publicly available information for consideration in the preliminary results. In January and February 2003, we received responses to the Department's questionnaires, and granted an extension until March 10, 2003, for all interested parties to submit publicly available information for consideration in the preliminary results.

On February 27, 2003, we notified the respondents of our intent to conduct verification of their responses to the antidumping duty questionnaire and provided each respondent with a verification outline for purposes of familiarizing each company with the verification process. On March 10, 2003, the respondents submitted publicly available information, and on March 14, 2003, the petitioner² submitted rebuttal comments to the publicly available information provided by the respondents. From March 10 through March 21, 2003, we conducted

verification of the information submitted by each respondent, in accordance with 19 CFR 351.307. On April 16, 2003, we issued verification reports.

Scope of the Order

The products covered by this order are brake rotors made of gray cast iron, whether finished, semifinished, or unfinished, ranging in diameter from 8 to 16 inches (20.32 to 40.64 centimeters) and in weight from 8 to 45 pounds (3.63 to 20.41 kilograms). The size parameters (weight and dimension) of the brake rotors limit their use to the following types of motor vehicles: automobiles, all-terrain vehicles, vans and recreational vehicles under "one ton and a half," and light trucks designated as "one ton and a half."

Finished brake rotors are those that are ready for sale and installation without any further operations. Semifinished rotors are those on which the surface is not entirely smooth, and have undergone some drilling. Unfinished rotors are those which have undergone some grinding or turning.

These brake rotors are for motor vehicles, and do not contain in the casting a logo of an original equipment manufacturer ("OEM") which produces vehicles sold in the United States (*e.g.*, General Motors, Ford, Chrysler, Honda, Toyota, Volvo). Brake rotors covered in this order are not certified by OEM producers of vehicles sold in the United States. The scope also includes composite brake rotors that are made of gray cast iron, which contain a steel plate, but otherwise meet the above criteria. Excluded from the scope of this order are brake rotors made of gray cast iron, whether finished, semifinished, or unfinished, with a diameter less than 8 inches or greater than 16 inches (less than 20.32 centimeters or greater than 40.64 centimeters) and a weight less than 8 pounds or greater than 45 pounds (less than 3.63 kilograms or greater than 20.41 kilograms).

Brake rotors are currently classifiable under subheading 8708.39.5010 of the *Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States* ("HTSUS"). Although the HTSUS subheading is provided for convenience and Customs purposes, the written description of the scope of this order is dispositive.

Period of Review

The POR covers April 1, 2002, through September 30, 2002.

Verification

As provided in section 782(i) of the Act, we verified information provided by each respondent. We used standard

¹ As of March 1, 2003, the U.S. Customs Service has been renamed the U.S. Bureau of Customs and Border Protection.

² The petitioner is the Coalition for the Preservation of American Brake Drum and Rotor Aftermarket Manufacturers.