

SUBCHAPTER B—NONADJUDICATIVE INVESTIGATIONS

PART 202—INVESTIGATIONS OF COSTS OF PRODUCTION

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§ 202.1 Applicability of part.

This part 202 applies specifically to investigations under section 366 of the Tariff Act (19 U.S.C. 1336).¹ For other applicable rules see part 201 of this chapter.

§ 202.2 Applications.

(a) *Who may file.* Applications for an investigation to which this part 202 relates may be filed by any firm, association of firms, or corporation engaged in the production of a domestic article, or by any duly authorized representative of the foregoing.

(b) *Requirements for applications.* In addition to conforming with the requirements of § 201.8 of this chapter, applications under this part 202 shall include the following: (1) A clear statement that they are requests for investigations for the purposes of section 336; (2) the name or description of the

¹Section 336(a) of the Tariff Act provides in part that "(1) upon request of the President, or (2) upon resolution of either or both Houses of Congress, or (3) upon its own motion, or (4) when in the judgment of the Commission there is good and sufficient reason therefor, upon application of any interested party, [the commission] shall investigate the differences in the costs of production of any domestic article and of any like or similar foreign article". (19 U.S.C. 1336.) The provisions of section 336 of the Tariff Act may not be applied to any article with respect to the importation of which into the United States a foreign trade agreement has been concluded under the Trade Agreements Act of 1934, as amended, or the Trade Expansion Act. (19 U.S.C. 1352(a)).

article concerning which an investigation is sought; (3) a reference to the tariff provision or provisions applicable to such article; and (4) a statement indicating whether an increase or a decrease in the rate of duty is sought.

(c) *Supporting information.* The applicant must file with his application such supporting information as may be in his possession. As far as practicable, information of the following character should be furnished:

(1) Comparability of the domestic and foreign articles and the degree of competition between them.

(2) Trend in recent years of (i) domestic production, (ii) domestic sales, (iii) imports, (iv) costs of production, and (v) prices.

(3) Evidence of difference between domestic and foreign costs of production of the articles involved.

(4) Areas of greatest competition between the imported and domestic products and the principal market or markets in the United States.

(5) Other relevant factors that constitute, in the opinion of the applicant, an advantage or disadvantage in competition, and any other information which the applicant believes the Commission should consider.

§ 202.3 Preliminary inquiry.

Upon the receipt of an application properly filed, the Commission will make a preliminary inquiry for the purpose of determining whether there is good and sufficient reason for a full investigation. If such determination is in the affirmative, a full investigation will be instituted.

§ 202.4 Public hearing.

A public hearing will be held in connection with each full investigation to which this part 202 relates.

§ 202.5 Type of information to be developed at hearing.

Without excluding other factors, but with a view to assisting parties interested to present information necessary for the formulation of findings required