

industry producing the domestic like product is being materially injured, or threatened with material injury, by reason of the individual and cumulated imports of the subject merchandise sold at less than NV.

Petitioner contends the industry's injured condition is evident in examining net operating income, profit, net sales volumes, production employment, as well as inventory levels, and reduced capacity utilization. See Petition at pages 41–60. Petitioner asserts its share of the market has declined from 2000 to 2002. See Petition at page 48. For a full discussion of the allegations and evidence of material injury, see *Initiation Checklist* at Appendix IV and Supplemental Response at pages 42–42.

Initiation of Antidumping Investigations

Based on our examination of the Petition covering EMD, we find it meets the requirements of section 732 of the Act. Therefore, we are initiating antidumping duty investigations to determine whether imports of EMD from Australia, Greece, Ireland, Japan, South Africa and the PRC are being, or are likely to be, sold in the United States at less than fair value. Unless this deadline is extended pursuant to section 733(b)(1)(A) of the Act, we will make our preliminary determinations no later than 140 days after the date of this initiation, or January 7, 2004.

Distribution of Copies of the Petition

In accordance with section 732(b)(3)(A) of the Act, a copy of the public version of the Petition has been provided to representatives of the governments of Australia, Greece, Ireland, Japan, South Africa and the PRC. We will attempt to provide a copy of the public version of the Petition to each exporter named in the Petition, as provided in section 19 CFR 351.203(c)(2).

International Trade Commission Notification

The ITC will preliminarily determine on September 12, 2003, whether there is reasonable indication that imports of EMD from Australia, Greece, Ireland, Japan, South Africa and PRC are causing, or threatening, material injury to a U.S. industry. A negative ITC determination for any country will result in the investigation being terminated with respect to that country; otherwise, these investigations will proceed according to statutory and regulatory time limits.

This notice is issued and published pursuant to section 777(i) of the Act.

Dated: August 20, 2003.

Jeffrey A. May,

Acting Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[A-533–820]

Certain Hot-Rolled Carbon Steel Flat Products from India: Extension of Time Limit for Preliminary Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review

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

ACTION: Notice of Extension of Time Limits.

EFFECTIVE DATE: August 27, 2003.

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TIME LIMITS:

Statutory Time Limits

Section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act), requires the Department of Commerce (the Department) to make a preliminary determination within 245 days after the last day of the anniversary month of an order or finding for which a review is requested and a final determination within 120 days after the date on which the preliminary determination is published. However, if it is not practicable to complete the review within these time periods, section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act allows the Department to extend the 245-day time limit for the preliminary determination to a maximum of 365 days and the time limit for the final determination to 180 days (or 300 days if the Department does not extend the time limit for the preliminary determination) from the date of publication of the preliminary determination.

Background

On January 22, 2003, the Department published a notice of initiation of administrative review of the antidumping duty order on certain hot-rolled carbon steel flat products from

India, covering the period May 3, 2001 through November 30, 2002. See *Initiation of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Administrative Reviews and Request for Revocation in Part*, 68 FR 3009, 3010 (January 22, 2003). The preliminary results are currently due no later than September 2, 2003.

Extension of Time Limit for Preliminary Results of Review

We determine that it is not practicable to complete the preliminary results of this review within the original time limit. Therefore, the Department is extending the time limit for completion of the preliminary results by 62 days until no later than November 3, 2003. See Decision Memorandum from Thomas Futtnr, Acting Office Director for Import Administration, Group II, Office IV to Holly A. Kuga, Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary for Import Administration, Group II, dated concurrently with this notice, which is on file in the Central Records Unit, Room B-099 of the Department's main building. We intend to issue the final results no later than 120 days after the publication of the preliminary results notice.

This extension is in accordance with section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act.

Dated: August 18, 2003.

Holly A. Kuga,

Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary for Import Administration, Group II.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[A-475–059]

Notice of Initiation of Antidumping Duty Changed Circumstances Review: Pressure Sensitive Plastic Tape From Italy

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

SUMMARY: In accordance with section 751(b) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, (the Act) and 19 CFR 351.216 (2003), Tyco Adhesives Italia S.p.A. (Tyco) requested that the Department of Commerce (the Department) conduct a changed circumstances review of the antidumping duty order on pressure sensitive plastic tape (PSPT) from Italy. In response to this request, the Department is initiating a changed circumstances review of the above-referenced order.

EFFECTIVE DATE: August 27, 2003.