



FACT SHEET

Commerce Finds Unfair Dumping of 1-Hydroxyethylidene-1, 1-Diphosphonic Acid from India and the People's Republic of China

- On March 6, the Department of Commerce (Commerce) announced its affirmative final determinations in the antidumping duty investigations of imports of 1-Hydroxyethylidene-1, 1-Diphosphonic Acid (HEDP) from India and the People's Republic of China (China). HEDP is used in water treatment, detergents and cleaners, peroxide bleach stabilization, and personal care products.
- Dumping occurs when a foreign company sells a product in the United States at less than normal value.
- In the China investigation, the participating Chinese mandatory respondent, Nanjing University of Chemical Technology Changzhou Wujin Water Quality Stabilizer Factory Ltd. (Nanjing), received a final dumping rate of 0.00 percent. Changzhou Kewei Fine Chemical Factory failed to fully cooperate in the investigation and received a rate of 72.42 percent based on adverse facts available. Two Chinese exporters received a separate final rate of 36.21 percent. All other exporters will receive the China-wide rate of 72.42 percent.
- In the India investigation, the sole mandatory respondent, Aquapharm Chemicals Private Limited, and all other exporters from India received a final dumping rate of 3.10 percent.
- As a result of these final determinations, Commerce will instruct U.S. Customs and Border Protection to collect a cash deposit or bond based on the final rates, except for HEDP produced and exported by Nanjing, which is excluded from the determination because of its zero margin.
- Compass Chemical International LLC (GA) is the petitioner for these investigations.
- The merchandise covered by these investigations includes all grades of aqueous, acidic (non-neutralized) concentrations of HEDP. HEDP is currently classifiable under the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS) at subheading 2931.00.9043. While HTSUS subheadings are provided for convenience and customs purposes, Commerce's written description governs the scope of this investigation.
- From 2007 to 2008, imports of HEDP from China increased approximately 120 percent by volume and were valued at an estimated \$939 million in 2008. Imports from India increased approximately 644 percent by volume and were valued at an estimated \$6.1 million in 2008. The HTSUS codes for these investigations are basket categories, covering not only subject merchandise, but also other products.

NEXT STEPS

- The U.S. International Trade Commission (ITC) is scheduled to issue its final injury determination on or before April 20.
- If the ITC makes a final determination that imports of HEDP from China and India materially injure, or threaten material injury to, the domestic industry, Commerce will issue antidumping orders

FINAL DUMPING MARGINS:

COUNTRY	EXPORTER/PRODUCER	MARGIN
INDIA	Aquapharm Chemicals Private Limited	3.10%
	All Others	3.10%
CHINA	Nanjing University of Chemical Technology Changzhou Wujin Water Quality Stabilizer Factory Ltd.	0.00%
	Changzhou Kewei Fine Chemical Factory	72.42%
	SEPARATE-RATE RESPONDENTS	
	Changzhou Wujin Fine Chemical Factory Co., Ltd.	36.21%
	Jiangsu Jianghai Chemical Group Co., Ltd	36.21%
	China-Wide Entity	72.42%

CASE CALENDAR:

EVENT	AD INVESTIGATIONS
Petitions Filed	March 19, 2008
DOC Initiation Date	April 8, 2008
ITC Preliminary Determination	May 5, 2008
DOC Preliminary Determinations	October 15, 2008
DOC Final Determinations	March 5, 2009
ITC Final Determination	April 20, 2009
Issuance of Orders*	April 27, 2009

* This will take place only in the event of final affirmative determinations by both Commerce and the ITC.

IMPORT STATISTICS:

CHINA	2006	2007	2008
Volume (kg)	22,618,387	48,480,733	106,615,399
Value (\$US)	\$62,501,586	\$143,086,372	\$939,149,971
INDIA	2006	2007	2008
Volume (kg)	173,475	264,480	1,966,563
Value (\$US)	\$270,719	\$6,172,999	\$6,068,855

Source: ITC DataWeb (which uses data issued by the U.S. Bureau of the Census) subheading 2931.00.9043 which is a basket category.