

UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION
Washington, DC 20436

In the Matter of

**POLYVINYL ALCOHOL FROM
CHINA, JAPAN, AND KOREA**

Investigation Nos.

731-TA-1014, 1016, 1017 (Review)

**NOTICE OF COMMISSION DETERMINATION TO CONDUCT
A PORTION OF THE HEARING *IN CAMERA***

AGENCY: U.S. International Trade Commission.

ACTION: Closure of a portion of a Commission hearing.

SUMMARY: Upon its own initiative, the Commission has determined to conduct a portion of its hearing in the above-captioned reviews scheduled for January 27, 2009, *in camera*. See Commission rules 207.24(d), 207.66(b), 201.13(m) and 201.36(b)(4) (19 C.F.R. §§ 207.24(d), 207.66(b), 201.13(m) and 201.36(b)(4)). The remainder of the hearing will be open to the public. The Commission has determined that the seven-day advance notice of the change to a meeting was not possible. See Commission rule 201.35(a), (c)(1) (19 C.F.R. § 201.35(a), (c)(1)).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mary Jane Alves, Office of the General Counsel, United States International Trade Commission, 202-708-2969. Hearing-impaired individuals are advised that information on this matter may be obtained by contacting the Commission's TDD terminal on 202-205-3105.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In these reviews, there are only three domestic PVA producers, of which only two sell in the commercial market. There is only one producer of subject merchandise in Korea. Only one of several foreign producers in China and only one of four producers of subject merchandise in Japan submitted questionnaire responses in these reviews. In addition, there are only a limited number of importers of polyvinyl alcohol into the United States. Because much of the data in these reviews is confidential, the Commission believes that a closed session is justified by the need to discuss data that involve business proprietary information (BPI) concerning imports, individual foreign industries, the domestic

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The hearing will include the usual public presentations by parties supporting continuation of the antidumping duty orders and those in support of revocation of these orders, with questions from the Commission. In addition, the hearing will include a ten minute *in camera* session for a confidential presentation by parties supporting revocation of the antidumping duty orders. This session will be followed by questions from the Commission relating to the BPI and a ten-minute *in camera* rebuttal presentation by parties supporting continuation of the orders, if needed. Following the *in camera* session, the Commission will reopen the hearing to the public for the public rebuttal/closing statements. During the *in camera* session, the room will be cleared of all persons except those who have been granted access to BPI under a Commission administrative protective order (APO) and are included on the Commission's APO service list in these reviews. *See* 19 C.F.R. § 201.35(b). The time for the parties' presentations and rebuttals in the *in camera* session will be taken from their respective overall time allotments for the hearing. All persons planning to attend the *in camera* portions of the hearing should be prepared to present proper identification.

AUTHORITY: The General Counsel has certified, pursuant to Commission Rule 201.39 (19 C.F.R. § 201.39) that a portion of the Commission's hearing in *Polyvinyl Alcohol from China, Japan, and Korea*, Invs. Nos. 731-TA-1014, 1016, and 1017 (Review), may be closed to the public to prevent the disclosure of BPI.

By order of the Commission.

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