

FACT SHEET

Commerce Finds Subsidization of Circular Welded Carbon Quality Steel Pipe from the People's Republic of China

- On November 6, Commerce announced its preliminary determination in the countervailing duty investigation on imports of circular welded carbon-quality steel pipe from the People's Republic of China (China).
- Commerce preliminarily determined that Chinese producers/exporters have received net countervailable subsidies ranging from 0 to 264.98 percent. As a result of this preliminary determination, Commerce will instruct U.S. Customs and Border Protection to collect a cash deposit or bond based on these preliminary rates.
- The margin for the Shuangjie Group is based on total adverse facts available because it withdrew its participation from this investigation.
- Allied Tube & Conduit (IL); IPSCO Tubulars, Inc. (KY); Northwest Pipe Company (OR); Sharon Tube Company (PA); Western Tube & Conduit Corporation (CA); Wheatland Tube Company (NJ); and the United Steelworkers (PA) are the petitioners for these investigations.
- The merchandise covered by these investigations includes certain circular welded carbon quality steel pipes and tubes with an outside diameter of 0.372 inches or more, but not more than 16 inches, generally known as standard pipe and structural pipe.
- Circular welded carbon quality steel pipe is classifiable under subheadings 7306.30.10.00, 7306.30.50.25, 7306.30.50.32, 7306.30.50.40, 7306.30.50.55, 7306.30.50.85, and 7306.30.50.90 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS). While HTSUS subheadings are provided for convenience and customs purposes, Commerce's written description of the scope of this investigation is dispositive.

NEXT STEPS

- Commerce is currently scheduled to make its final determination on March 18.
- If Commerce makes a final determination that Chinese producers/exporters have received countervailable subsidies in this investigation, and the U.S. International Trade Commission (ITC) makes a final affirmative determination that imports from China materially injure, or threaten material injury to, the domestic industry, Commerce will issue a countervailing duty order and instruct U.S. Customs and Border Protection to collect cash deposits on imports of subject merchandise.

Preliminary Countervailable Subsidy Rate:

Producer/Exporter	Subsidy Rate		
The Shuangjie Group*	264.98%		
Weifang East Steel Pipe Co., Ltd.	0%		
The Kingland Group**	16.59%		
All Others Rate	16.59%		

^{*} Tianjin Shuangjie Steel Pipe Co., Ltd., Tianjin Shuangjie Steel Pipe Group Co., Ltd., Tianjin Wa Song Imp. & Exp. Co., Ltd., and Tianjin Shuanglian Galvanizing Products Co., Ltd.

Case Calendar:

EVENT	CVD INVESTIGATION		
Petitions Filed	June 7, 2007		
DOC Initiation Date	June 27, 2007		
ITC Preliminary Determination	July 23, 2007		
DOC Preliminary Determinations	November 5, 2007		
DOC Final Determinations*	March 18, 2008		
ITC Final Determination**	May 2, 2008		
Issuance of Orders***	May 9, 2008		

^{*} This deadline may be extended under the governing statute.

Import Statistics:

CHINA	2004	2005	2006
Volume (kilograms)	242,644,995	337,659,059	589,420,196
Value (\$US)	138,436,653	213,817,300	331,853,213

Source: U.S. International Trade Commission, Dataweb (HTSUS 7306.30.10.00, 7306.30.50.25, 7306.30.50.32, 7306.30.50.40, 7306.30.50.55, 7306.30.50.85, and 7306.30.50.90)

^{**} Zhejiang Kingland Pipeline and Technologies Co., Ltd., Kingland Group Co., Ltd, Beijing Kingland Centruy Technologies Co., Zhejiang Kingland Pipeline Industry Co., Ltd., and Shanxi Kingland Pipeline Co., Ltd.

^{**} This will take place only in the event of a final affirmative determination from the Department of Commerce.

^{***} This will take place only in the event of final affirmative determinations by both the Department and the ITC.