

**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE****International Trade Administration**

[A-351-810, A-475-816, A-588-835, A-580-825]

**Oil Country Tubular Goods From Argentina, Italy, Japan, and Korea; Final Results of Five-Year ("Sunset") Reviews of Antidumping Duty Orders**

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

**SUMMARY:** On June 1, 2006, the Department of Commerce ("the Department") initiated the second sunset reviews of the antidumping duty ("AD") orders on oil country tubular goods ("OCTG") from Argentina, Italy, Japan, and Korea pursuant to section 751(c) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended ("the Act"). On the basis of notices of intent to participate, and adequate substantive responses filed on behalf of the domestic interested parties, and inadequate responses received from respondent interested parties, the Department has conducted expedited sunset reviews, pursuant to section 751(c)(3)(B) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.218(e)(1)(ii)(C)(2). As a result of these sunset reviews, the Department finds that revocation of the AD orders would be likely to lead to continuation or recurrence of dumping at the margins indicated in the "Final Results of Review" section of this notice.

**DATES:** *Effective Date:* October 6, 2006.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Martha Douthit, Fred Baker, or Dana Mermelstein, AD/CVD Operations, Office 6-7, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street & Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482-5050, (202) 482-2924, or (202) 482-1391, respectively.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:****Background**

On June 1, 2006, the Department initiated sunset reviews of the AD orders on OCTG from Argentina, Italy, Japan, and Korea pursuant to section 751(c) of the Act. See *Initiation of Five-Year ("Sunset") Reviews*, 71 FR 31153 (June 1, 2006). The Department received notices of intent to participate from IPSCO Tubulars, Inc., Lone Star Steel Company, Koppel Steel ("NS Group"), Maverick Tube Corporation, Newport Steel Company ("NS Group"), V&M Star LP, and United States Steel Corporation ("U.S. Steel") (collectively "domestic interested parties"), within the deadline

specified in 19 CFR 351.218(d)(1)(i).<sup>1</sup> The domestic interested parties claimed interested party status under section 771(9)(C) of the Act as U.S. producers, manufacturers, and wholesalers of the domestic like product. We received complete substantive responses from the domestic interested parties in all four cases within the deadline specified in 19 CFR 351.218(d)(3)(i). We received an inadequate response from respondent interested parties of the AD order from Argentina, and no responses from respondent interested parties with respect to the AD orders from Italy, Japan, and Korea. As a result, pursuant to section 751(c)(3)(B) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.218(e)(1)(ii)(C)(2), the Department has conducted expedited reviews of these AD orders.

**Scope of the Orders***Argentina, Italy, Japan, Korea*

The products covered by these orders consists of oil country tubular goods, hollow steel products of circular cross-section, including only oil well casing and tubing, of iron (other than cast iron) or steel (both carbon and alloy), whether seamless or welded, whether or not conforming to American Petroleum Institute (API) or non-API specifications, whether finished or unfinished (including green tubes and limited service OCTG products). The scope does not cover casing or tubing pipe containing 10.5 percent or more of chromium, or drill pipe. The products subject to this review are currently classified in the following Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States ("HTSUS") subheadings: 7304.20.10.10, 7304.20.10.20, 7304.20.10.30, 7304.20.10.40, 7304.20.10.50, 7304.20.10.60, 7304.20.10.80, 7304.20.20.10, 7304.20.20.20, 7304.20.20.30, 7304.20.20.40, 7304.20.20.50, 7304.20.20.60, 7304.20.20.80, 7304.20.30.10, 7304.20.30.20, 7304.20.30.30, 7304.20.30.40, 7304.20.30.50, 7304.20.30.60, 7304.20.30.80, 7304.20.40.10, 7304.20.40.20, 7304.20.40.30, 7304.20.40.40, 7304.20.40.50, 7304.20.40.60, 7304.20.40.80, 7304.20.50.15, 7304.20.50.30, 7304.20.50.45, 7304.20.50.60, 7304.20.50.75, 7304.20.60.15, 7304.20.60.30, 7304.20.60.45, 7304.20.60.60, 7304.20.60.75, 7305.20.20.00,

<sup>1</sup> U.S. Steel and USS/Kobe Steel were petitioners in the investigation. U.S. Steel notes that Lorain Tubular Company LLC became the successor-in-interest to USS/Kobe Steel in August 1999. In December 1999, U.S. Steel took ownership of 100 % of the equity of Lorain Tubular, making U.S. Steel the owner of Lorain Tubular.

7305.20.40.00, 7305.20.60.00, 7305.20.80.00, 7306.20.10.30, 7306.20.10.90, 7306.20.20.00, 7306.20.30.00, 7306.20.40.00, 7306.20.60.10, 7306.20.60.50, 7306.20.80.10, and 7306.20.80.50.

Although the HTSUS subheadings are provided for convenience and customs purposes, our written description of the scope of these orders is dispositive.

**Analysis of Comments Received**

All issues raised in these reviews are addressed in the Issues and Decision Memorandum ("Decision Memorandum") from Stephen J. Claeys, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Import Administration, to David M. Spooner, Assistant Secretary for Import Administration, dated September 29, 2006, which is hereby adopted by this notice. Parties can find a complete discussion of all issues raised in these reviews and the corresponding recommendations in this public memorandum which is on file in the Central Records Unit room, B-099 of the main Commerce building. In addition, a complete version of the Decision Memorandum can be accessed directly on the Web at <http://ia.ita.doc.gov/frn>, under the heading October 2006. The paper copy and electronic version of the Decision Memorandum are identical in content.

**Final Results of Review**

The Department determines that revocation of the AD orders on OCTG from Argentina, Italy, Japan, and Korea would be likely to lead to continuation or recurrence of dumping at the following weighted-average percentage margins:

Manufacturers/exporters/producers	Weighted-average margin (percent)
<b>Argentina</b>	
Siderca S.A.I.C .....	1.36
Acindar Industria Argentina de Aceros S.A .....	60.73
All Others .....	1.36
<b>Italy</b>	
Dalmine S.p.A .....	49.78
Acciaierie Tubificio Arvedi S.p.A .....	49.78
General Sider Europa S.p.A .....	49.78
All Others .....	49.78
<b>Japan</b>	
Nippon Steel Corporation .....	44.20
Sumitomo Metal Industries, Ltd .....	44.20
All Others .....	44.20

Manufacturers/exporters/producers	Weighted-average margin (percent)
<b>Korea</b>	
Union Steel Manufacturing Company .....	12.17
All Others .....	12.17
Hyundai Steel Pipe Company, Ltd., succeeded by Hyundai Hysco, was excluded from the order.	

This notice serves as the only reminder to parties subject to administrative protective order (“APO”) of their responsibility concerning the return or destruction of proprietary information disclosed under APO in accordance with 19 CFR 351.305. Timely notification of return/destruction of APO materials or conversion to judicial protective order is hereby requested. Failure to comply with the regulations and the terms of an APO is a sanctionable violation.

We are issuing and publishing the results and notice in accordance with sections 751(c), 752, and 777(i)(1) of the Act.

Dated: September 29, 2006.

**Stephen J. Claeys,**

*Acting Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.*

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petitioners and respondent interested parties, the Department conducted a full sunset review of the antidumping duty order pursuant to section 751(c) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (“the Act”), and 19 CFR 351.218(e)(2)(i). As a result of this sunset review, the Department finds that revocation of the antidumping duty order would likely lead to the continuation or recurrence of dumping at the levels listed below in the section entitled “Final Results of Review.”

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** May 3, 2007

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** John Drury or Angelica Mendoza, AD/CVD Operations, Office 7, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14<sup>th</sup> Street & Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC, 20230; telephone: 202-482-0195 or 202-482-3019, respectively.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Background**

On June 1, 2006, the Department published its notice of initiation of the sunset review of the antidumping duty order on OCTG from Mexico, in accordance with section 751(c) of the Act. *See Initiation of Five-year (“Sunset”) Reviews*, 71 FR 31153 (June 1, 2006) (“*Notice of Initiation*”).

The Department received notices of intent to participate on behalf of United States Steel Corporation and IPSCO Tubulars Inc., Lone Star Steel Company, Koppel Steel (NS Group), Maverick Tube Corporation, Newport Steel (NS Group) and V&M Star LP (collectively “petitioners”), within the 15-day deadline specified in 19 CFR 351.218(d)(1)(i). Petitioners claimed interested party status under section 771(9)(C) of the Act, as manufacturers of a domestic-like product in the United States.

The Department received complete substantive responses to the notice of initiation from the interested parties Hylsa S.A. de CV (“Hylsa”) and Tubos de Aceros de Mexico, S.A. (“TAMSA”) (collectively “respondent interested parties”) within the 30-day deadline specified in 19 CFR 351.218(d)(3)(i). The Department received rebuttal responses from petitioners to the substantive responses from the respondent interested parties on July 5, 2006, and July 14, 2006, respectively.

Section 19 CFR 351.218(e)(1)(ii)(A) provides that the Secretary normally will conclude that respondent interested parties have provided adequate response to a notice of initiation where the Department receives complete substantive responses from respondent

interested parties accounting on average for more than 50 percent, by volume, or value, if appropriate, of the total exports of the subject merchandise to the United States over the five calendar years preceding the year of publication of the notice of initiation. On July 21, 2006, the Department found that respondent interested parties accounted for more than 50 percent of exports by volume of the subject merchandise from Mexico to the United States. *See Memorandum to Stephen J. Claeys, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Import Administration, from John K. Drury* entitled, “Adequacy Determination: Sunset Review of the Antidumping Duty Order on Oil Country Tubular Goods from Mexico,” (July 21, 2006). In accordance with 19 CFR 351.218(e)(2)(i), the Department determined to conduct a full sunset review of this antidumping duty order. On September 25, 2006, in accordance with section 751(c)(5)(B) of the Act, the Department extended the deadlines for the preliminary and final results of this sunset review by 90 days. *See Oil Country Tubular Goods from Mexico; Extension of Time Limits for Preliminary and Final Results of Full Five-year (“Sunset”) Review of Antidumping Duty Order*, 71 FR 55774.

The Department published the preliminary results of this sunset review on December 26, 2006. *See Oil Country Tubular Goods from Mexico; Preliminary Results of the Sunset Review of Antidumping Duty Order*, 71 FR 77372 (December 26, 2006). In the *Preliminary Results*, the Department found that revocation of the order would likely result in continuation or recurrence of dumping with net margins of 21.70 percent for TAMSA and “all others,” and 0.62 percent for Hylsa.

On February 14, 2007, within the deadline specified in 19 CFR § 351.309(c)(1)(i), the Department received case briefs on behalf of both TAMSA and Hylsa. On February 20, 2007, the Department rejected the case brief on behalf of Hylsa under 19 CFR § 351.302(d), as the Department determined that the brief contained new factual information submitted subsequent to the deadline for new factual information as proscribed in 19 CFR § 351.301(b)(3). The Department requested that Hylsa re-file the case brief no later than February 22, 2007, and extended the deadline for rebuttal briefs to February 28, 2007. On February 20, 2007, the Department received a rebuttal brief on behalf of petitioner IPSCO. On February 22, 2007, the Department received the corrected case brief on behalf of Hylsa. On February 28, the Department received rebuttal briefs on behalf of petitioner U.S. Steel.

**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

**International Trade Administration**

A-201-817

**Oil Country Tubular Goods from Mexico; Final Results of the Sunset Review of Antidumping Duty Order**

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

**SUMMARY:** On June 1, 2006, the Department (“the Department”) initiated a sunset review of the antidumping duty order on oil country tubular goods (“OCTG”) from Mexico. On the basis of the notice of intent to participate, adequate substantive responses, and rebuttal comments filed on behalf of the

**Scope of the Order**

The merchandise covered by this order is OCTG, hollow steel products of circular cross-section, including oil well casing and tubing of iron (other than cast iron) or steel (both carbon and alloy), whether seamless or welded, whether or not conforming to American Petroleum Institute (“API”) or non-API specifications, whether finished or unfinished (including green tubes and limited-service OCTG products). The scope of this order does not cover casing or tubing pipe containing 10.5 percent or more of chromium, or drill pipe. The OCTG subject to this order are currently classified in the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (“HTSUS”) under item numbers:

7304.29.10.10, 7304.29.10.20, 7304.29.10.30, 7304.29.10.40, 7304.29.10.50, 7304.29.10.60, 7304.29.10.80, 7304.29.20.10, 7304.29.20.20, 7304.29.20.30, 7304.29.20.40, 7304.29.20.50, 7304.29.20.60, 7304.29.20.80, 7304.29.30.10, 7304.29.30.20, 7304.29.30.30, 7304.29.30.40, 7304.29.30.50, 7304.29.30.60, 7304.29.30.80, 7304.29.40.10, 7304.29.40.20, 7304.29.40.30, 7304.29.40.40, 7304.29.40.50, 7304.29.40.60, 7304.29.40.80, 7304.29.50.15, 7304.29.50.30, 7304.29.50.45, 7304.29.50.60, 7304.29.50.75, 7304.29.60.15, 7304.29.60.30, 7304.29.60.45, 7304.29.60.60, 7304.29.60.75, 7305.20.20.00, 7305.20.40.00, 7305.20.60.00, 7305.20.80.00, 7306.20.10.30, 7306.20.10.90, 7306.20.20.00, 7306.20.30.00, 7306.20.40.00, 7306.20.60.10, 7306.20.60.50, 7306.20.80.10, and 7306.20.80.50. The Department has determined that couplings, and coupling stock, are not within the scope of the antidumping order on OCTG from Mexico. See Letter to Interested Parties; Final Affirmative Scope Decision, August 27, 1998. The HTSUS subheadings are provided for convenience and customs purposes. Our written description of the scope of this order is dispositive.

**Analysis of Comments Received**

All issues raised in this sunset review are addressed in the “Issues and Decision Memorandum for the Full Sunset Review of the Antidumping Duty Order on Oil Country Tubular Goods (“OCTG”) from Mexico; Final Results,” from Stephen J. Claeys, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Import Administration, to David M. Spooner, Assistant Secretary for Import Administration, dated April 27, 2007

(“Decision Memo”), which is hereby adopted by this notice. The issues discussed in the Decision Memo include the likelihood of continuation or recurrence of dumping and the magnitude of the margin likely to prevail if the antidumping duty order were revoked. Parties can find a complete discussion of all issues raised in this sunset review and the corresponding recommendations in this public memorandum, which is on file in room B-099 of the main Department building. In addition, a complete version of the Decision Memo can be accessed directly on the Web at <http://ia.ita.doc.gov/frn>. The paper copy and electronic version of the Decision Memo are identical in content.

**Final Results of Review**

The Department determines that revocation of the antidumping duty order on OCTG from Mexico is likely to lead to continuation or recurrence of dumping at the following weighted-average margins:

Manufacturers/Producers/Exporters	Weighted-Average Margin (Percent)
TAMSA .....	21.70
Hylsa .....	0.62
All Others .....	21.70

This notice also serves as the only reminder to parties subject to administrative protective orders (“APO”) of their responsibility concerning the return or destruction of proprietary information disclosed under APO in accordance with section 351.305 of the Department’s regulations. Timely notification of the return or destruction of APO materials or conversion to judicial protective order is hereby requested. Failure to comply with the regulations and terms of an APO is a violation that is subject to sanction.

We are issuing and publishing the results and notice in accordance with sections 751(c), 752(c), and 777(i)(1) of the Act.

Dated: April 27, 2007.

**David M. Spooner,**  
Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

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