



FACT SHEET

Commerce Preliminarily Finds Dumping of Certain Woven Electric Blankets from the People's Republic of China

- On January 27, the Department of Commerce (Commerce) announced its affirmative preliminary determination in the antidumping duty (AD) investigation on imports of certain woven electric blankets (woven electric blankets) from the People's Republic of China.
- For the purposes of AD investigations, dumping occurs when a foreign company sells a product in the United States at less than fair value.
- Commerce preliminarily determined that Chinese producers/exporters have sold woven electric blankets in the United States at 90.32 to 174.85 percent less than fair value.
- The mandatory respondent, Hung Kuo Electronics (Shenzhen) Company Limited, received a preliminary dumping rate of 90.32 percent. Also, in this investigation, two companies have qualified for a separate rate of 90.32 percent. All other Chinese producers/exporters will receive a preliminary dumping rate of 174.85 percent.
- As a result of this preliminary determination, Commerce will instruct U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) to collect a cash deposit or bond based on these preliminary rates.
- The petitioner for this investigation is Jarden Consumer Solutions (FL).
- The products covered by this investigation are finished, semi-finished, and unassembled woven electric blankets, including woven electric blankets commonly referred to as throws, of all sizes and fabric types, whether made of man-made fiber, natural fiber or a blend of both.
- The products covered by this investigation are currently classified in the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS) under subheading 6301.10.0000. While the HTSUS subheading is provided for convenience and customs purposes, Commerce's written description of the subject merchandise governs the scope of this investigation.
- From 2006 to 2008, imports of woven electric blankets from China increased 16.8 percent by volume and were valued at an estimated \$29.7 million in 2008.

NEXT STEPS

- Commerce is currently scheduled to issue its final determination in June 2010.
- If Commerce makes an affirmative final determination, and the U.S. International Trade Commission makes an affirmative final determination that imports of woven electric blankets from China materially injure, or threaten material injury to, the domestic industry, Commerce will issue an antidumping duty order.

PRELIM DUMPING RATES:

PRODUCER/EXPORTER	DUMPING RATE
Hung Kuo Electronics (Shenzhen) Company Limited	90.32%
SEPARATE RATE COMPANIES	
Ningbo V.K. Industry & Trading Co., Ltd.	90.32%
Ningbo Jifa Electrical Appliances Co., Ltd. or Ningbo Jinchun Electric Appliances Co., Ltd.	90.32%
China-Wide	174.85%

CASE CALENDAR:

EVENT	DATE
Petitions Filed	June 30, 2009
DOC Initiation Date	July 20, 2009
ITC Preliminary Determination	August 14, 2009
DOC Preliminary Determination	January 26, 2010
DOC Final Determination*	June 16, 2010 (est.)
ITC Final Determination**	August 2, 2010 (est.)
Issuance of Order***	August 9, 2010 (est.)

*This deadline has been extended under the governing statute.

** This will take place only in the event of a final affirmative determination by the Department of Commerce.

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IMPORT STATISTICS:

CHINA	2006	2007	2008
Quantity (units)	1,600,343	1,696,109	1,869,701
Value (USD)	26,257,582	29,660,007	29,727,263

Source: U.S. International Trade Commission, Dataweb (HTSUS 6301.10.0000), and information from Petitioner.