



FACT SHEET

Commerce Preliminarily Finds Unfair Dumping of Multilayered Wood Flooring from the People's Republic of China

- On May 20, 2011, the Department of Commerce (Commerce) announced its affirmative preliminary determination in the antidumping (AD) duty investigation of imports of multilayered wood flooring from the People's Republic of China (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 multilayered wood flooring at margins ranging from zero to 82.6516 percent *ad valorem*.
- Mandatory respondents: Zhejiang Yuhua Timber Co., Ltd. (Yuhua) and Zhejiang Layo Wood Industry Co., Ltd. (Layo) received preliminary *de minimis* dumping rates of zero percent; the Samling Group (Samling) received a preliminary dumping rate of 10.88 percent.
- Petitioner alleged targeted dumping on a regional- and customer-specific basis for all three mandatory respondents. Commerce found targeted dumping with respect to sales made by Layo and Samling; however, the margin for Layo remains *de minimis* even with a finding of targeted dumping.
- Seventy-three additional exporters qualified for a separate rate of 10.88 percent. All other Chinese producers/exporters are subject to the China-wide preliminary dumping rate of 82.65 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 petitioner for this investigation is: The Coalition for American Hardwood Parity, an *ad hoc* association of U.S. manufacturers of multilayered wood flooring, with the following member companies: Anderson Hardwood Floors, LLC (SC), Award Hardwood Floors (WI), Baker's Creek Wood Floors, Inc. (MS), From the Forest (WI), Howell Hardwood Flooring (AL), Mannington Mills, Inc. (NJ), Nydree Flooring (VA), and Shaw Industries Group, Inc. (GA).
- The merchandise covered by the investigation is multilayered wood flooring, composed of an assembly of two or more layers or plies of wood veneers in combination with a core. The core may be composed of hardwood or softwood veneer, particleboard, medium-density fiberboard, high density fiberboard, stone and/or plastic composite, or strips of lumber placed edge-to-edge. Multilayered wood flooring is typically manufactured with a "tongue-and-groove" construction. These products are generally used as the floor in residential or commercial building, as well as in schools, showrooms, gymnasiums and other constructions.
- Imports of the subject merchandise are provided for under the following categories of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS): 4412.31.0520; 4412.31.0540; 4412.31.0560; 4412.31.2510; 4412.31.2520; 4412.31.4040; 4412.31.4050; 4412.31.4060; 4412.31.4070;

4412.31.5125; 4412.31.5135; 4412.31.5155; 4412.31.5165; 4412.31.3175; 4412.31.6000; 4412.31.9100; 4412.32.0520; 4412.32.0540; 4412.32.0560; 4412.32.2510; 4412.32.2520; 4412.32.3125; 4412.32.3135; 4412.32.3155; 4412.32.3165; 4412.32.3175; 4412.32.3185; 4412.32.5600; 4412.39.1000; 4412.39.3000; 4412.39.4011; 4412.39.4012; 4412.39.4019; 4412.39.4031; 4412.39.4032; 4412.39.4039; 4412.39.4051; 4412.39.4052; 4412.39.4059; 4412.39.4061; 4412.39.4062; 4412.39.4069; 4412.39.5010; 4412.39.5030; 4412.39.5050; 4412.94.1030; 4412.94.1050; 4412.94.3105; 4412.94.3111; 4412.94.3121; 4412.94.3131; 4412.94.3141; 4412.94.3160; 4412.94.3171; 4412.94.4100; 4412.94.5100; 4412.94.6000; 4412.94.7000; 4412.94.8000; 4412.94.9000; 4412.94.9500; 4412.99.0600; 4412.99.1020; 4412.99.1030; 4412.99.1040; 4412.99.3110; 4412.99.3120; 4412.99.3130; 4412.99.3140; 4412.99.3150; 4412.99.3160; 4412.99.3170; 4412.99.4100; 4412.99.5100; 4412.99.5710; 4412.99.6000; 4412.99.7000; 4412.99.8000; 4412.99.9000; 4412.99.9500; 4418.71.2000; 4418.71.9000; 4418.72.2000; and 4418.72.9500. In addition, imports of subject merchandise may enter the United States under the following HTSUS subheadings: 4409.10.0500; 4409.10.2000; 4409.29.0515; 4409.29.0525; 4409.29.0535; 4409.29.0545; 4409.29.0555; 4409.29.0565; 4409.29.2530; 4409.29.2550; 4409.29.2560; 4418.71.1000; 4418.79.0000; and 4418.90.4605. While HTSUS subheadings are provided for convenience and customs purposes, the written description of the scope in this proceeding is dispositive.

- From 2007 to 2009, imports of multilayered wood flooring from China increased 76 percent by quantity. In 2009 imports of multilayered wood flooring were valued at an estimated \$119.7 million.

NEXT STEPS

- Commerce is currently scheduled to make its final determination in August 2011.
- If Commerce makes an affirmative final determination, and the U.S. International Trade Commission (ITC) makes an affirmative final determination that imports of multilayered wood flooring from China materially injure, or threaten material injury to, the domestic industry, Commerce will issue an AD order. The ITC is scheduled to make its final injury determination on or about September 16, 2011.

PRELIMINARY DUMPING RATES:

PRODUCER/EXPORTER	MARGIN*
Zhejiang Yuhua Timber Co., Ltd.	0%
Zhejiang Layo Wood Industry Co., Ltd.	0%
The Samling Group	10.88%
Separate Rate Companies**	10.88%
China-wide	82.65%

*See Attachment for a full list of the 73 companies assigned the separate rate.

CASE CALENDAR:

EVENT	DEADLINE
Petitions Filed	October 21, 2010
DOC Initiation Date	November 10, 2010
ITC Preliminary Determination	December 3, 2010
DOC Preliminary Determination	May 19, 2011
DOC Final Determination*	August 2, 2011
ITC Final Determination**	September 16, 2011
Issuance of Orders***	September 23, 2011

*This deadline may be extended under the governing statute.

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IMPORT STATISTICS:

CHINA	2007	2008	2009
Quantity (square feet)	40,398,000	89,032,000	71,182,000
Value (US\$)	73,000,000	148,000,000	119,700,000

Source: *Wood Flooring*, Catalina Report CR064 (December 2009, published by Catalina Research, Inc., Boca Raton, FL), at 64. See Volume I of the Petitions, at 16-23 and Exhibit I-9. U.S. Bureau of Census data was not used to gather this trade data due to changes to the HTS categories in 2009 that make the data less reliable for historical trend purposes. The value includes cost, insurance, and freight.

Attachment
Separate Rate Companies

The 73 companies to have received separate rates are: (1) MuDanJiang Bosen Wood Industry Co., Ltd., (2) Huzhou Chenghang Wood Co., Ltd., (3) Hangzhou Hanje Tec Co., Ltd., (4) Nakahiro Jyou Sei Furniture (Dalian) Co., Ltd., (5) Shenyang Haobainian Wooden Co., Ltd., (6) Dalian Dajen Wood Co., Ltd., (7) HaiLin LinJing Wooden Products, Ltd., (8) Dun Hua Sen Tai Wood Co., Ltd., (9) Dunhua Jisheng Wood Industry Co., Ltd., (10) Hunchun Forest Wolf Industry Co., Ltd., (11) Guangzhou Panyu Southern Star Co., Ltd., (12) Nanjing Minglin Wooden Industry Co., Ltd., (13) Zhejiang Fudeli Timber Industry Co., Ltd., (14) Suzhou Dongda Wood Co., Ltd., (15) Guangzhou Pan Yu Kang Da Board Co., Ltd., (16) Kornbest Enterprises Ltd., (17) Metropolitan Hardwood Floors, Inc., (18) Zhejiang Longsen Lumbering Co., Ltd., (19) Xinyuan Wooden Industry Co., Ltd., (20) Dasso Industrial Group Co., Ltd., (21) Hong Kong Easoon Wood Technology Co., Ltd., (22) Armstrong Wood Products Kunshan Co., Ltd., (23) Baishan Huafeng Wooden Product Co., Ltd., (24) Changbai Mountain Development and Protection Zone Hongtu Wood Industry Co., Ltd., (25) Changzhou Hawd Flooring Co., Ltd., (26) Dalian Jiuyuan Wood Industry Co., Ltd., (27) Dalian Penghong Floor Products Co., Ltd., (28) Dongtai Fuan Universal Dynamics LLC, (29) Dunhua City Dexin Wood Industry Co., Ltd., (30) Dunhua City Hongyuan Wood Industry Co., Ltd., (31) Dunhua City Jisen Wood Industry Co., Ltd., (32) Dunhua City Wanrong Wood Industry Co., Ltd., (33) Fusong Jinlong Wooden Group Co., Ltd., (34) Fusong Qianqiu Wooden Product Co., Ltd., (35) GTP International, (36) Guangdong Yihua Timber Industry Co., Ltd., (37) HaiLin LinJing Wooden Products, Ltd., (38) Huzhou Fulinmen Imp & Exp. Co., Ltd., (39) Huzhou Fuma Wood Bus. Co., Ltd., (40) Jiafeng Wood (Suzhou) Co., Ltd., (41) Jiashan Hui Jia Le Decoration Material Co., Ltd., (42) Jilin Forest Industry Jinqiao Flooring Group Co., Ltd., (43) Karly Wood Product Limited, (44) Kunshan Yingyi-Nature Wood Industry Co., Ltd., (45) Puli Trading Limited, (46) Shanghai Eswell Timber Co. Ltd., (47) Shanghai Lairunde Wood Co., Ltd., (48) Shanghai New Sihe Wood Co., Ltd., (49) Shanghai Shenlin Corporation, (50) Shenzhenshi Huanwei Woods Co., Ltd., (51) Vicwood Industry (Suzhou) Co., Ltd., (52) Xiamen Yung De Ornament Co., Ltd., (53) Xuzhou Shenghe Wood Co., Ltd., (54) Yixing Lion-King Timber Industry Co., Ltd., (55) Jiangsu Simba Flooring Industry Co., Ltd., (56) Zhejiang Biyork Wood Co., Ltd., (57) Zhejiang Dadongwu GreenHome Wood Co., Ltd., (58) Zhejiang Desheng Wood Industry Co., Ltd., (59) Zhejiang Shiyou Timber Co., Ltd., (60) Zhejiang Tianzhen Bamboo & Wood Development Co., Ltd., (61) Chinafloors Timber (China) Co. Ltd., (62) Shanghai Lizhong Wood Products Co., Ltd., (63) Fine Furniture (Shanghai) Limited, (64) Huzhou Sunergy World Trade Co. Ltd., (65) Huzhou Jesonwood Co., Ltd., (66) A&W (Shanghai) Woods Co., Ltd., (67) Fu Lik Timber (HK) Company Limited, (68) Yekalon Industry, Inc./Sennorwell International Group (Hong Kong) Limited, (69) Kemian Wood Industry (Kunshan) Co., Ltd., (70) Dalian Kemian Wood Industry Co., Ltd., (71) Dalian Huilong Wooden Products Co., Ltd., (72) Jiangsu Senmao Bamboo and Wood Industry Co., Ltd., and (73) Jiaxing Brilliant Import & Export Co., Ltd.