



FACT SHEET

Commerce Initiates Antidumping Duty and Countervailing Duty Investigations of Certain Coated Paper from Indonesia and the People's Republic of China

- On October 14, the Department of Commerce (Commerce) is scheduled to announce its decision to initiate antidumping and countervailing duty investigations on imports of certain coated paper from Indonesia and the People's Republic of China (China).
- Dumping occurs when a foreign company sells a product in the United States at less than normal value. Subsidies are financial assistance from foreign governments that benefit the production, manufacture, or exportation of goods.
- The petitioners for these investigations are: Appleton Coated LLC (WI); NewPage Corporation (OH); S.D. Warren Company d/b/a Sappi Fine Paper North America (MA); and the United Steel, Paper and Forestry, Rubber, Manufacturing, Energy, Allied Industrial and Service Workers International Union (PA).
- The products covered by these investigations include certain coated paper and paperboard in sheets suitable for high quality print graphics using sheet-fed presses; coated on one or both sides with kaolin (China or other clay), calcium carbonate, titanium dioxide, and/or other inorganic substances; with or without a binder; having a GE brightness level of 80 or higher ; weighing not more than 340 grams per square meter; whether gloss grade, satin grade, matte grade, dull grade, or any other grade of finish; whether or not surface-colored, surface-decorated, printed (except as described below), embossed, or perforated; and irrespective of dimensions ("Certain Coated Paper").

Certain Coated Paper includes (a) coated free sheet paper and paperboard that meets this scope definition; (b) coated groundwood paper and paperboard produced from bleached chemi-thermo-mechanical pulp ("BCTMP") that meets this scope definition; and (c) any other coated paper that meets this scope definition.

Certain Coated Paper is typically (but not exclusively) used for printing multi-colored graphics for catalogues, books, magazines, envelopes, labels and wraps, greeting cards, and other commercial printing applications requiring high quality print graphics.

Specifically excluded from the scope are imports of paper and paperboard printed with final content printed text or graphics.

- The products covered by these investigations are currently classified in the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States ("HTSUS") under item numbers: 4810.14.11, 4810.14.1900, 4810.14.2010, 4810.14.2090, 4810.14.5000, 4810.14.6000, 4810.14.70, 4810.19.1100, 4810.19.1900, 4810.19.2010, 4810.19.2090, 4810.22.1000, 4810.22.50, 4810.22.6000, 4810.22.70, 4810.29.1000, 4810.29.5000, 4810.29.6000, 4810.29.70. While the HTSUS subheading is provided for convenience and customs purposes, Commerce's written description of the subject merchandise governs the scope of these investigations.

- In 2008, imports of certain coated paper from Indonesia were valued at an estimated \$44.3 million and imports from China were valued at an estimated \$228.7 million.

NEXT STEPS

- The U.S. International Trade Commission (ITC) is scheduled to make its preliminary injury determination on or about November 2.
- If the ITC determines that there is a reasonable indication that imports are materially injuring, or threatening material injury to, the domestic industry, the investigations will continue, and Commerce will be scheduled to make its preliminary CVD determinations in December 2009 and its preliminary AD determinations in March 2010.

ALLEGED DUMPING MARGIN:

COUNTRY	MARGIN
INDONESIA	33.00%-41.00%
CHINA	25.70%-135.80%

ALLEGED SUBSIDY RATE:

COUNTRY	NET SUBSIDY
INDONESIA	Above <i>de minimis</i>
CHINA	Above <i>de minimis</i>

* *de minimis* = less than 1% for developed countries; less than 2% for developing countries.

CASE CALENDAR:

EVENT	CVD INVESTIGATION	AD INVESTIGATION
Petitions Filed	September 23, 2009	September 23, 2009
Commerce Initiation Date	October 13, 2009	October 13, 2009
ITC Preliminary Determination*	November 9, 2009	November 9, 2009
Commerce Preliminary Determinations †**	December 17, 2009	March 2, 2010
Commerce Final Determinations †	March 2, 2010	May 17, 2010
ITC Final Determination***	April 16, 2010	June 30, 2010
Issuance of Orders****	April 23, 2010	July 7, 2010

* Where the deadline falls on a weekend/holiday, the appropriate date is the next business day.

† These deadlines may be extended under the governing statute.

** This will take place only in the event of a preliminary affirmative determination from the ITC.

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

**** This will take place only in the event of final affirmative determinations by both Commerce and the ITC.

IMPORT STATISTICS:

INDONESIA	2006	2007	2008
Quantity (Tons)	65,298	57,361	53,329
Value (1,000 USD)	48,158	43,856	44,250
CHINA	2006	2007	2008
Quantity (Tons)	303,405	306,387	275,723
Value (1,000 USD)	234,127	243,002	228,697

Source: U.S. International Trade Commission ("ITC") Dataweb available at <http://dataweb.usitc.gov>.