



FACT SHEET

Commerce Preliminarily Finds Unfair Dumping of New Pneumatic Off-The-Road Tires from the People's Republic of China

- On February 6, the Department of Commerce announced its affirmative preliminary determination in the antidumping duty investigation of imports of new pneumatic off-the-road tires from the People's Republic of China (China).
- Commerce preliminarily determined that Chinese producers/exporters have sold new pneumatic off-the-road tires in the United States at 10.98 to 210.48 percent less than fair value. 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.
- Titan Tire Corporation (Titan) (IA), and the United Steel, Paper and Forestry, Rubber, Manufacturing, Energy, Allied Industrial and Service Workers International Union, AFL-CIO-CLC (USW) (PA) are the petitioners for this investigation.
- The merchandise covered by this investigation includes new pneumatic off-the-road tires designed for off-the-road and off-highway use. The subject merchandise can be of tube-type or tubeless, radial or non-radial forms.
- Pneumatic off-the-road tires are classifiable under subheadings 4011.20.10.25, 4011.20.10.35, 4011.20.50.30, 4011.20.50.50, 4011.61.00.00, 4011.62.00.00, 4011.63.00.00, 4011.69.00.00, 4011.92.00.00, 4011.93.40.00, 4011.93.80.00, 4011.94.40.00, and 4011.94.80.00 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.
- This investigation excludes tires of a kind designed primarily for on-highway or on-road use, including passenger cars, race cars, station wagons, sport utility vehicles, minivans, mobile homes, motorcycles, bicycles, on-road or on-highway trailers, light trucks, trucks and busses, and other such vehicles. Also excluded are tires of a kind used on aircraft, all-terrain vehicles, and vehicles for turf, lawn and garden, golf and trailer applications.
- From 2004 to 2006, imports of new pneumatic off-the-road tires from China increased 33 percent by volume and were valued at an estimated \$339.6 million in 2006.

NEXT STEPS

- Commerce is currently scheduled to make its final determination in June 2008.
- If Commerce makes a final affirmative determination, and the U.S. International Trade Commission makes a final determination that imports of new pneumatic off-the-road tires from China materially injure, or threaten material injury to, the domestic industry, Commerce will issue an antidumping duty order.

Preliminary Dumping Margins:

EXPORTER/PRODUCER	MARGIN
Guizhou Tyre Co., Ltd./ Guizhou Advance Rubber; Guizhou Tyre Co., Ltd.	16.35%
Hebei Starbright Tire Co., Ltd.	19.73%
Tianjin United Tire & Rubber International Co., Ltd.	10.98%
Xuzhou Xugong Tyre Co. Ltd.	51.81%
Separate-Rate Respondents (see attachment)	24.75%
PRC-Wide Entity	210.48%

Case Calendar:

EVENT	DATE
Petition Filed	June 18, 2007
DOC Initiation Date	July 30, 2007
ITC Preliminary Determination	August 20, 2007
DOC Preliminary Determination	February 5, 2008
DOC Final Determination	June 28, 2008
ITC Final Determination*	August 12, 2008
Issuance of Order**	August 19, 2008

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

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Import Statistics:

CHINA	2004	2005	2006
Volume (No. of Tires)	11,226,320	12,356,498	14,950,160
Value (\$US)	142,039,856	232,595,403	339,562,664

Source: U.S. International Trade Commission Dataweb for HTSUS subheadings: 4011.20.10.25, 4011.20.10.35, 4011.20.50.30, 4011.20.50.50, 4011.61.00.00, 4011.62.00.00, 4011.63.00.00, 4011.69.00.00, 4011.92.00.00, 4011.93.40.00, 4011.93.80.00, 4011.94.40.00, and 4011.94.80.00, which are basket categories.

SEPARATE-RATE RESPONDENTS

EXPORTER	PRODUCER	MARGIN
Aeolus Tyre Co., Ltd.	Aeolus Tyre Co., Ltd.	24.75%
Double Coin Holdings Ltd.	Double Coin Holdings Ltd.; Double Coin Group Rugao Tyre Co., Ltd.; Double Coin Group Shanghai Donghai Tyre Co., Ltd.	24.75%
Double Happiness Tyre Industries Corp., Ltd.	Double Happiness Tyre Industries Corp., Ltd.	24.75%
Jiangsu Feichi Co., Ltd.	Jiangsu Feichi Co., Ltd.	24.75%
KS Holding Limited	Oriental Tyre Technology Ltd.; Shandong Taishan Tyre Co., Ltd.; Xu Zhou Xugong Tyres Co., Ltd.	24.75%
Laizhou Xiongying Rubber Industry Co., Ltd.	Laizhou Xiongying Rubber Industry Co., Ltd.	24.75%
Oriental Tyre Technology Limited	Midland Off the Road Tire Co., Ltd.; Midland Specialty Tire Co., Ltd.; Xuzhou Hanbang Tyres Co., Ltd.	24.75%
Qingdao Etyre International Trade Co., Ltd.	Shandong Xingda Tyre Co. Ltd.; Shandong Xingyuan International Trade Co. Ltd.; Shandong Xingyuan Rubber Co. Ltd.	24.75%
Qingdao Free Trade Zone Full-World International Trading Co., Ltd.	Qingdao Eastern Industrial Group Co., Ltd.; Qingdao Qihang Tyre Co., Ltd.; Qingdao Shuanghe Tyre Co., Ltd.; Qingdao Yellowsea Tyre Factory; Shandong Zhentai Tyre Co., Ltd.	24.75%
Qingdao Hengda Tyres Co., Ltd.	Qingdao Hengda Tyres Co., Ltd.	24.75%
Qingdao Milestone Tyre Co., Ltd.	Qingdao Shuanghe Tyre Co., Ltd.; Shandong Zhentai Tyre Co., Ltd.; Shifeng Double-Star Tire Co., Ltd.; Weifang Longtai Tyre Co., Ltd.	24.75%
Qingdao Qinghang Tyre Co., Ltd.	Qingdao Qinghang Tyre Co., Ltd.	24.75%
Qingdao Qizhou Rubber Co., Ltd.	Qingdao Qizhou Rubber Co., Ltd.	24.75%
Qingdao Sinorient International Ltd.	Qingdao Hengda Tyres Co., Ltd.; Shifeng Double-Star Tire Co., Ltd.; Tenzhou Broncho Tyre Co., Ltd.	24.75%

EXPORTER	PRODUCER	MARGIN
Shandong Huitong Tyre Co., Ltd.	Shandong Huitong Tyre Co., Ltd.	24.75%
Shandong Jinyu Tyre Co., Ltd.	Shandong Jinyu Tyre Co., Ltd.	24.75%
Shandong Taishan Tyre Co., Ltd.	Shandong Taishan Tyre Co., Ltd.	24.75%
Shandong Wanda Boto Tyre Co., Ltd.	Shandong Wanda Boto Tyre Co., Ltd.	24.75%
Shandong Xingyuan International Trading Co., Ltd.	Shandong Xingda Tyre Co., Ltd.; Xingyuan Tyre Group Co., Ltd.	24.75%
Techking Tires Limited (Techking Enterprise (H.K.) Co., Ltd.)	Shandong Xingda Tyre Co. Ltd.; Shandong Xingyuan International Trade Co. Ltd.; Shandong Xingyuan Rubber Co. Ltd.	24.75%
Triangle Tyre Co., Ltd.	Triangle Tyre Co., Ltd.	24.75%
Wendeng Sanfeng Tyre Co., Ltd.	Wendeng Sanfeng Tyre Co., Ltd.	24.75%
Zhaoyuan Leo Rubber Co., Ltd.	Zhaoyuan Leo Rubber Co., Ltd.	24.75%