### **DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

# International Trade Administration [C-570-950]

# Wire Decking from the People's Republic of China: Final Affirmative Countervailing Duty Determination

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

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Commerce (the Department) determines that countervailable subsidies are being provided to producers and exporters of wire decking from the People's Republic of China (the PRC). For information on the estimated subsidy rates, see the "Suspension of Liquidation" section of this notice.

# EFFECTIVE DATE: June 10, 2010.

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#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

## **Background**

This investigation covers 32 programs and the following producers/exporters: Dalian Eastfound Metal Products Co., Ltd. (Eastfound Metal) and its affiliate Dalian Eastfound Material Handling Products Co., Ltd. (Eastfound Material) (collectively, the Eastfound Companies) and Dalian Huameilong Metal Products Co., Ltd. (DHMP). The petitioners in this investigation are AWP Industries, Inc., ITC Manufacturing, Inc., J&L Wire Cloth, Inc., Nashville Wire Products Mfg., Co., Inc., and Wireway Husky Corporation (collectively, the petitioners). In addition, the Nucor Corporation is participating as a domestic interested party.

#### **Period of Investigation**

The period of investigation (the POI) for which we are measuring subsidies is January 1, 2008, through December 31, 2008, which corresponds to the PRC's most recently completed fiscal year at the time we initiated this investigation. See 19 CFR 351.204(b)(2).

## **Case History**

The following events have occurred since the Department announced the Preliminary Determination on November 9, 2009. See Wire Decking From the People's Republic of China: Preliminary Affirmative Countervailing Duty Determination and Alignment of Final Countervailing Duty Determination with Final Antidumping Duty Determination, 74 FR 57629 (November 9, 2009) (Preliminary Determination).

From November 17, 2009, through December 23, 2009, we issued supplemental questionnaires to the Government of the PRC (the GOC), the Eastfound Companies, and DHMP. From December 1, 2009, through January 5, 2010, the GOC, the Eastfound Companies, and DHMP submitted supplemental questionnaire responses. On December 4 and 8, 2009, the GOC and the Eastfound Companies submitted requests for a public hearing. From January 8 through January 20, 2010, the Department issued verification outlines to the GOC, the Eastfound Companies, and DHMP. The Department conducted verification of the questionnaire responses submitted by the GOC on January 27 and 29, 2010. The Department conducted verification of the questionnaire responses submitted by the Eastfound Companies from February 1 through February 4, 2010. The Department conducted verification of the questionnaire responses submitted by DHMP from January 25 through 27, 2010. From February 17 through February 24, 2010, the Department released verification reports for the GOC, the Eastfound Companies, and DHMP. Interested parties submitted the case and rebuttal briefs on March 9 and March 19, respectively. On March 19, 2010, and April 6, 2010, the GOC and the Eastfound Companies withdrew their requests for a public hearing, respectively. No other interested party requested a hearing. As such, the Department did not hold a public hearing in this investigation.

As explained in the memorandum from the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Import Administration, the Department has exercised its discretion to toll deadlines for the duration of the closure of the Federal Government from February 5, through February 12, 2010. Thus, all deadlines in this segment of the proceeding have been extended by seven days. The revised deadline for this countervailing duty (CVD) investigation is now June 3, 2010. See Memorandum to the Record from Ronald K Lorentzen, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Import Administration,

regarding "Tolling of Administrative Deadlines As a Result of the Government Closure During the Recent Snowstorm," dated February 12, 2010.

## **Scope of Investigation**

The scope of the investigation covers welded-wire rack decking, which is also known as, among other things, "pallet rack decking," "wire rack decking," "wire mesh decking," "bulk storage shelving," or "welded-wire decking." Wire decking consists of wire mesh that is reinforced with structural supports and designed to be load bearing. The structural supports include sheet metal support channels, or other structural supports, that reinforce the wire mesh and that are welded or otherwise affixed to the wire mesh, regardless of whether the wire mesh and supports are assembled or unassembled and whether shipped as a kit or packaged separately. Wire decking is produced from carbon or alloy steel wire that has been welded into a mesh pattern. The wire may be galvanized or plated (e.g., chrome, zinc, or nickel coated), coated (e.g., with paint, epoxy, or plastic), or uncoated ("raw"). The wire may be drawn or rolled and may have a round, square or other profile. Wire decking is sold in a variety of wire gauges. The wire diameters used in the decking mesh are 0.105 inches or greater for round wire. For wire other than round wire, the distance between any two points on a cross-section of the wire is 0.105 inches or greater. Wire decking reinforced with structural supports is designed generally for industrial and other commercial storage rack systems.

Wire decking is produced to various profiles, including, but not limited to, a flat ("flush") profile, an upward curved back edge profile ("backstop") or downward curved edge profile ("waterfalls"), depending on the rack storage system. The wire decking may or may not be anchored to the rack storage system. The scope does not cover the metal rack storage system, comprised of metal uprights and cross beams, on which the wire decking is ultimately installed. Also excluded from the scope is wire mesh shelving that is not reinforced with structural supports and is designed for use without structural supports.

Wire decking enters the United States through several basket categories in the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS). U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) has issued a ruling (NY F84777) that wire decking is to be classified under HTSUS 9403.90.8040. Wire decking has also been entered under the following HTSUS subheadings:

7217.10.1000, 7217.10.2000,
7217.10.3000, 7217.10.4030,
7217.10.4090, 7217.10.5030,
7217.10.5090, 7217.10.6000,
7217.10.7000, 7217.10.8010,
7217.10.8020, 7217.10.8025,
7217.10.8030, 7217.10.8045,
7217.10.8060, 7217.10.8075,
7217.10.8090, 7217.10.9000,
7217.20.1500, 7217.20.3000,
7217.20.4510, 7217.20.4520,
7217.20.4530, 7217.20.4540,
7217.20.4550, 7217.20.4560,
7217.20.4570, 7217.20.4580,
7217.20.6000, 7217.20.7500,
7326.20.0010, 7326.20.0020,
7326.20.0070, 7326.90.1000,
7326.90.2500, 7326.90.3500,
7326.90.4500, 7326.90.6000,
7326.90.8505, 7326.90.8510,
7326.90.8530, 7326.90.8535,
7326.90.8545, 7326.90.8560,
7326.90.8575, 7326.90.8576,
7326.90.8577, 7326.90.8588,
9403.20.0020, and 9403.20.0030.1
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# **Injury Test**

Because the PRC is a "Subsidies Agreement Country" within the meaning of section 701(b) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act), the International Trade Commission (the ITC) is required to determine whether imports of the subject merchandise from the PRC materially injure, or threaten material injury to, a U.S. industry. On July 31, 2009, the ITC published its preliminary determination in which it found that there is a reasonable indication that an industry in the United States is materially injured by reason of imports of wire decking from the PRC. See Wire Decking From China, Investigation Nos. 701-TA-466 and 731-TA-1162 (Preliminary), 74 FR 38229 (July 31, 2009).

## **Analysis of Comments Received**

All issues raised in the case and rebuttal briefs by parties to this investigation are addressed in the Decision Memorandum. Attached to this notice as an Appendix is a list of the issues that parties raised and to which we have responded in the Decision Memorandum. Parties can find a

complete discussion of all issues raised in this investigation and the corresponding recommendations in this public memorandum, which is on file in the Department's Central Records Unit. In addition, a complete version of the Decision Memorandum can be accessed directly on the Internet at http://ia.ita.doc.gov/frn/. The paper copy and electronic version of the Decision Memorandum are identical in content.

# Suspension of Liquidation

In accordance with section 705(c)(1)(B)(i)(I) of the Act, we have calculated individual rates for the Eastfound Companies and DHMP. For the non–cooperative companies, pursuant to sections 776(a)(2)(A) and (C) of the Act, we have based their CVD rates on facts otherwise available.

Section 705(c)(5)(A)(i) of the Act states that for companies not investigated, we will determine an allothers rate equal to the weighted average countervailable subsidy rates established for exporters and producers individually investigated, excluding any zero and *de minimis* countervailable subsidy rates, and any rates determined entirely under section 776 of the Act.

Notwithstanding the language of section 705(c)(1)(B)(i)(I) of the Act, we have not calculated the all—others rate by weight averaging the rates of the Eastfound Companies and DHMP, because doing so risks disclosure of proprietary information. Therefore, for the all—others rate, we have calculated a simple average of the two responding firms' rates.

firms' rates.		Jiangsu Native Produce Imp &Exp	
Duradia and Europe de se	Net Subsidy Ad Va-	Corp. Ltd	437.11%
Producer/Exporter	lorem Rate	Imex China Ltd Jiangdong Xinguang	437.11%
Dalian Eastfound Metal		Metal Product Co	437.11%5
Products Co., Ltd.		Jiangsu Nova Logistics	
(Eastfound Metal) and		System Co., Ltd	437.11%
its affiliate Dalian		Jiangsu Sainty	
Eastfound Material		Shengtong Imp & Exp	
Handling Products		Co	437.11%
Co., Ltd. (Eastfound		JP Metal Works Proc-	
Material) (collectively,		essing Factory	437.11%
the Eastfound Com-		Kule (Dalian) Co., Ltd	437.11%
panies)	3.55%	Kunshan Maxshow In-	
Dalian Huameilong		dustry Trade Co., Ltd.	437.11%
Metal Products Co.,		Lanxuan Metal Product	
Ltd. (DHMP)	1.52%	Co., Ltd	437.11%
Aceally (Xiamen) Tech-		Longkou Forever Devel-	
nology Co., Ltd	437.11%	oped Metal Product	
Alida Wire Mesh &Wire		Co., Ltd	437.11%
Cloth Mfg	37.11%	Nanjing Better Metallic	
Anping Ankai Hardware		Products Co., Ltd	437.11%
& Mesh Products Co.,		Nanjing Better Storage	
Ltd	437.11%	Equipment Manufac-	
Anping County Jincheng		turing Co., Ltd	437.11%
Metal Products Co.,		Nanjing Dongtuo Logis-	
Ltd	437.11%	tics Equipment Co.,	107 110/
Anping County		Ltd	437.11%
Yuantong Hardware	407.440/	Nanjing Ebil Metal Prod-	407.440/
Net Industry Co., Ltd.	437.11%	ucts Co., Ltd	437.11%

Producer/Exporter	Net Subsidy Ad Va- lorem Rate
Anping Ruiqilong Wire Mesh Co., Ltd Anping Web Wire Mesh	437.11%
Co., Ltd	437.11%
Anping Yilian Metal Products Co., Ltd	437.11%
Aplus Industrial (HK) Ltd.	437.11%
Beijing Jiuwei Storage Equipment Co., Ltd	437.11%
Dalian Aipute Industry & Trade Co., Ltd	437.11%
Dalian Best Metal Prod- ucts Co., Ltd	437.11%
Dalian Jianda Metal Products Co., Ltd	437.11%
Dalian Litainer Logistic Equipment Co., Ltd	437.11%
Dalian Litainer Metal Products Co., Ltd	437.11%
Dalian Pro Metal Co., Ltd	437.11%
Dalian Traction Motor Co., Ltd	437.11%
Dalian Yutiein Storage Manufacture Co., Ltd. Dalian Zengtian Metal-	437.11%
Net Production Co., Ltd Dandong Rigian Equip-	437.11%
ment Co., Ltd Deyoma Wire Decking	437.11%
FactoryGlobal Storage Equipment Manufacturer	437.11%
Ltd.(Huade Industries)	437.11%
Hebei Dongshengyuan Trading Co., Ltd Hebei Tengyue Trading	437.11%
Co., LtdHigh Hope Int'l Group	437.11%
Jiangsu Native Produce Imp &Exp	
Corp. LtdImex China Ltd	437.11% 437.11%
Jiangdong Xinguang Metal Product Co	437.11%5
Jiangsu Nova Logistics System Co., Ltd	437.11%
Jiangsu Sainty	,

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>In the Preliminary Determination, we presented in the scope, certain HTSUS categories that wire decking is also entered under, as a six—digit category number (i.e., 7217.10, 7217.20, 7326.20, and 7326.90). Since the Preliminary Determination, we found that CBP required a 10–digit format for these HTSUS categories. Thus, for the final determination, we have determined that wire decking's scope HTSUS categories will be presented in their full 10–digit format.

Producer/Exporter	Net Subsidy Ad Va- lorem Rate	Producer/Exporter	Net Subsidy Ad Va- lorem Rate	the Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.
Nanjing Huade Storage Equipment Manufac-		Wuyi Tianchi Mechan- ical & Electrical Man-		Return or Destruction of Proprietary Information
ture Co., Ltd Nanjing Jiangrui Inter-	437.11%	ufacture Co., Ltd Xiamen E-Soon Ma-	437.11%	In the event that the ITC issues a final
national Logistics Co.	437.11%	chinery Co., Ltd	437.11%	negative injury determination, this notice will serve as the only reminder
Nanjing Jiangrui Metal Products Co., Ltd	437.11%	Xiamen GaoPing Co., Ltd	437.11%	to parties subject to an APO of their
Nanjing Jiangrui Racking Manufacture		Xiamen Luckyroc Indus- try Co., Ltd	437.11%	responsibility concerning the destruction of proprietary information
Co., Ltd	437.11%	Xiangshan Ningbo Gen-	407.1176	disclosed under APO in accordance
Nanjing Youerda Logis- tic Equipment Engi-		eral Steel Metal Structure Co., Ltd	437.11%	with 19 CFR 351.305(a)(3). Timely written notification of the return/
neering Co. Ltd Nanjing Youerda Metal-	437.11%	Yuyao Sanlian Goods Shelves Manufacture		destruction of APO materials or
lic Products Co., Ltd. National Sourcing Co.,	437.11%	Co., Ltd	437.11% 2.54%	conversion to judicial protective order is hereby requested. Failure to comply
LtdNingbo Beilun Songyi	437.11%	741 041010	2.0476	with the regulations and terms of an APO is a violation which is subject to
Storage Equipment		As a result of our Pr		sanction.
Manufacturer Co., Ltd	437.11%			This determination is published pursuant to sections 705(d) and 777(i) of
Ningbo Huixing Metal Product, Co., Ltd	437.11%	suspend liquidation of subject merchandise fi		the Act.
Ningbo Telingtong Metal Products Co., Ltd	437.11%	which were entered or	withdrawn from	Dated: June 3, 2010.
Ningbo United Group	437.11%	warehouse, for consum November 9, 2009, the		Ronald K. Lorentzen, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Import
Imp & Exp Co. Ltd Pinghu Dong Zhi Metal		publication of the Prel	liminary	Administration.
Products Schenker International	437.11%	Determination in the In accordance with sec		APPENDIX
China Ltd. (Dalian Branch)	437.11%	Act, we subsequently instructions to CBP to		List of Comments and Issues in the Decision Memorandum
Shanghai Boracs Logis- tics Equipment Manu-		suspension of liquidat	ion for CVD	Comment 1:Whether the Department
facturing Co., Ltd	437.11%	purposes for subject mentered, or withdrawn		May Apply the CVD Law to an NME Country
Shanghai Bright Imp & Exp Co., Ltd	437.11%	on or after March 9, 2010, but to		Comment 2:Whether Producer A
Shanghai Flory Indus- tries Co., Ltd	437.11%	continue the suspension of liquidation of all entries from November 9, 2009,		Constitutes a GOC Authority Capable of Providing a Financial Contribution As
Shanghai Hesheng Hardware Products		through March 8, 2010.		Defined by the Act
CoShanghai Jingxing Stor-	437.11%	We will issue a CVD order and reinstate the suspension of liquidation		Comment 3: Whether Producer B Constitutes a GOC Authority Capable of
age Equipment Engi-		under section 706(a) o ITC issues a final affir		Providing a Financial Contribution As Defined by the Act
neering Co., Ltd. (for- merly Shanghai		determination, and wi	ll require a cash	Comment 4:Whether Producer C
Jinxing Rack Factory) Shanghai Yibai Int'l	437.11%	deposit of estimated CVDs for such entries of merchandise in the amounts		Constitutes a GOC Authority Capable of Providing a Financial Contribution As
Trading CoSummit Storage Sys-	437.11%	indicated above. If the ITC determines		Defined by the Act
tems Ltd Suzhou (China) Sun-	437.11%	that material injury, or injury, does not exist,		Comment 5:Whether DHMP's Zinc Supplier(s) Is a GOC Authority
shine Hardware		will be terminated and duties deposited or sec		Comment 6:Whether Actual Wire Rod and HRS Market Prices in the PRCAre
Equipment Imp &Exp Co., Ltd	437.11%	a result of the suspens	ion of liquidation	Appropriate Benchmarks
Suzhou Jinta Metal Working Co., Ltd	437.11%	will be refunded or car ITC Notification	ncelea.	Comment 7:Whether Benchmark Prices Should Include Freight
Suzhou Z-TAK Metal and Technology Co.,			===(1) 6	Comment 8:Whether Benchmark
Ltd Tianjin Dingxing Fur-	437.11%	In accordance with s the Act, we will notify		Prices Should Include Insurance Costs  Comment 9:Whether the GOC and
niture Company	437.11%	determination. In addi	ition, we are	DHMP Withheld Information
Tianjin Machinery Imp & Exp Corp	437.11%	making available to the privileged and non–pr	coprietary	Concerning the Location of DHMP's Facilities and Whether Information
Tianjin Mandarin Import & Export Co., Ltd	437.11%	information related to We will allow the ITC		They Submitted is Reliable  Comment 10:Whether DHMP Is
Tianjin Zhonglian Metals Ware Co., Ltd	437.11%	privileged and busines	ss proprietary	Located In an Industrial Zone Thereby
TMC Logistic Products	437.11%	information in our file ITC confirms that it wi		Making Its Purchase of Land from the GOC Regionally Specific Under the Act
Vida Logistics System Co., Ltd	437.11%	such information, eith	er publicly or	Comment 11:Whether DHMP
Wuxi Puhui Metal Products Co., Ltd	437.11%	under an administrativ (APO), without the wr		Benefitted from an Interest–Free Deferral of its Land–Use Rights Payment

Comment 12:Whether the Eastfound Material's Land Acquisitions Are Countervailable

Comment 13:Whether the Department Should Countervail Eastfound Material's Alleged Unreported Land Payment Refund Discovered at Verification

Comment 14:Whether the Department Should Countervail Eastfound Metal's Land–Use

Comment 15:Whether the Department Should Use Year 2001 as the Cut-off Date or Use the AUL Methodology to Value Subsidies

Comment 16:Whether the GOC Terminated the Income Tax Exemption for Investors In Designated Geographical Regions Within Liaoning Program

Comment 17:Whether the GOC Terminated the Income Tax Benefits for FIEs Based on Geographic Location

Comment 18:Whether the GOC Terminated the VAT Exemptions for FIEs and Certain Domestic Enterprises Using Imported Equipment Program

Comment 19:Whether the GOC
Terminated the Import Tariff and VAT
Exemptions for FIEs and Certain
Domestic Enterprises Using Imported
Equipment in Encouraged Industries
Program

Comment 20:Whether the Department Should Initiate an Investigation of the PRC's Currency Manipulation

Comment 21. Benefit Calculation Under the Two Free, Three Half Income Tax Program

Comment 22:Whether DHMP received a Subsidy Under the Income Tax Credits for FIES on Purchases of Domestically Produced Equipment Program

Comment 23: Whether DHMP Failed To Report VAT Deductions on Fixed Assets

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