



FACT SHEET

Commerce Finds Unfair Dumping and Subsidization on Coated Free Sheet Paper from Korea

- On October 18, the Commerce Department announced its affirmative final determinations in the antidumping (AD) and countervailing duty (CVD) investigations of imports of coated free sheet paper from Korea.
- Dumping is when a foreign company sells a product in the United States at less than fair market value. Subsidies are financial assistance from foreign governments that benefit the production, manufacture, or exportation of goods.
- Commerce determined that Korean producers/exporters sold coated free sheet paper in the United States at 0.47 percent (*de minimis*) to 31.55 percent less than fair value, and received net countervailable subsidies ranging from 0.00 percent to 1.46 percent.
- As a result of the final AD determination, Commerce will instruct U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) to continue to collect a cash deposit or bond based on the final rates.
- Because the preliminary CVD determination was negative, CBP will only begin to collect a cash deposit or bond once the final CVD determination is published.
- NewPage Corporation (OH) is the petitioner for these investigations.
- The scope of these investigations includes coated free sheet paper and paperboard of a kind used for writing, printing, or other graphic purposes (coated free sheet paper), for example, the high quality paper used in art books, textbooks, annual reports, and prestige magazines and catalogues.
- Excluded from the scope of the investigations are: (1) coated free sheet paper that is imported printed with final content printed text or graphics; (2) base paper to be sensitized for use in photography; and (3) paper containing by weight 25 percent or more cotton fiber.
- Coated free sheet paper is currently classifiable under subheadings 4810.13.1900, 4810.13.2010, 4810.13.2090, 4810.13.5000, 4810.13.7040, 4810.14.1900, 4810.14.2010, 4810.14.2090, 4810.14.5000, 4810.14.7040, 4810.19.1900, 4810.19.2010, and 4810.19.2090 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 these investigations is dispositive.

NEXT STEPS

- The U.S. International Trade Commission (ITC) is scheduled to make its final injury determination on or about November 30. If the ITC issues an affirmative final determination, Commerce will issue antidumping and countervailing duty orders. If the ITC makes a negative injury determination, the investigations will be terminated.

Final Subsidy Rate:

Producer/Exporter	Subsidy Rate
EN Paper Mfg. Co., Ltd.	0.04% (<i>de minimis</i>)
Hansol Paper Co., Ltd.	0.17% (<i>de minimis</i>)
Kyesung Paper Co., Ltd.	1.46%
Moorim Paper Co., Ltd.	0.00%
All-Others Rate	1.46%

Final Dumping Rate:

Producer/Exporter	Dumping Rate
EN Paper Mfg. Co., Ltd.	12.31%
Hankuk Paper Mfg. Co., Ltd.	0.47% (<i>de minimis</i>)
Hansol Paper Co., Ltd.	0.97% (<i>de minimis</i>)
Kyesung Paper Co., Ltd.	31.55%
Moorim Paper Co., Ltd.	1.05% (<i>de minimis</i>)
All-Others Rate	18.70%

Case Calendar:

EVENT	CVD Investigation	AD Investigation
Petition Filed	October 31, 2006	October 31, 2006
DOC Initiation Date	November 20, 2006	November 20, 2006
ITC Preliminary Determination	December 15, 2006	December 15, 2006
DOC Preliminary Determinations	March 29, 2007	May 29, 2007
DOC Final Determinations	October 17, 2007	October 17, 2007
ITC Final Determination	November 30, 2007	November 30, 2007
Issuance of Order*	December 7, 2007	December 7, 2007

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

Import Statistics:

Korea	2004	2005	2006
Volume (kg)	390,496,562	378,402,360	427,483,347
Value (\$US)	\$310,558,590	\$315,458,089	\$362,453,521

Source: U.S. ITC Dataweb (HTS 4810.13.1900, 4810.13.2010, 4810.13.2090, 4810.13.5000, 4810.13.7040, 4810.14.1900, 4810.14.2010, 4810.14.2090, 4810.14.5000, 4810.14.7040, 4810.19.1900, 4810.19.2010, and 4810.19.2090)