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**Kalven L. Trice,**

*State Conservationist.*

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## CHEMICAL SAFETY AND HAZARD INVESTIGATION BOARD

### Sunshine Act Meeting

The United States Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board announces that it will convene a Public Meeting beginning at 10 a.m. local time on January 10, 2000 at the U.S. International Trade Commission, Courtroom B, 500 E Street, S.W., Washington, D.C. Topics to be discussed at the meeting will include: management changes, status of reports to Congress and the Office of Management and Budget, preparations for the FY2001 budget, interim incident selection plan, incident investigation protocol, status of on-going investigations, review of notation items, proposed Federal Regulations regarding CSB quorum, voting procedures and compliance with the Government under the Sunshine Act, CSB mission statement, schedule of future public meetings, and review of Year 2000 technology problems and chemical safety. The meeting will be open to the

public. The ITC office is a secure federal building requiring photo identification for public admission. For more information, please contact the Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board's Office of External Relations, (202)-261-7600, or visit our website at: [www.csb.gov](http://www.csb.gov).

**Christopher W. Warner,**

*General Counsel.*

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## COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS

### Sunshine Act Meeting

**AGENCY:** U.S. Commission on Civil Rights.

**DATE AND TIME:** Friday, January 14, 2000, 9:30 a.m.

**PLACE:** U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, 624 Ninth Street, NW, Room 540, Washington, DC 20425.

#### STATUS:

##### Agenda

- I. Approval of Agenda
- II. Approval of Minutes of December 10, 1999 Meeting
- III. Announcements
- IV. Staff Director's Report
- V. State Advisory Committee Appointments for Alabama, Florida, Illinois, Indiana, Minnesota (Interim) and Nebraska
- VI. Program Planning
- VII. Future Agenda Items

#### CONTACT PERSON FOR FURTHER

**INFORMATION:** David Aronson, Press and Communications (202) 376-8312

**Ruby G. Moy,**

*Staff Director.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### International Trade Administration

#### Notice of Initiation of Five-Year ("Sunset") Reviews

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

**ACTION:** Notice of Initiation of five-year ("Sunset") reviews.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with section 751(c) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended ("the Act"), the Department of Commerce ("the Department") is automatically initiating five-year ("sunset") reviews of the antidumping and countervailing duty orders or suspended investigations listed below. The International Trade Commission ("the Commission") is publishing concurrently with this notice its notices of *Institution of Five-Year Reviews* covering these same orders.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Melissa G. Skinner, or Mark Young, Office of Policy, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, at (202) 482-1560 or (202) 482-3207, respectively, or Vera Libeau, Office of Investigations, U.S. International Trade Commission, at (202) 205-3176.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### Initiation of Reviews

In accordance with 19 CFR 351.218 (see *Procedures for Conducting Five-year ("Sunset") Reviews of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Orders*, 63 FR 13516 (March 20, 1998)), we are initiating sunset reviews of the following antidumping and countervailing duty orders or suspended investigations:

DOC Case No.	ITC Case No.	Country	Product
A-570-830 .....	A-677	China .....	Coumarin
A-351-825 .....	A-678	Brazil .....	Stainless Steel Bar
A-533-810 .....	A-679	India .....	Stainless Steel Bar
A-588-833 .....	A-681	Japan .....	Stainless Steel Bar
A-469-805 .....	A-682	Spain .....	Stainless Steel Bar

## Statute and Regulations

Pursuant to sections 751(c) and 752 of the Act, an antidumping ("AD") or countervailing duty ("CVD") order will be revoked, or the suspended investigation will be terminated, unless revocation or termination would be likely to lead to continuation or recurrence of (1) dumping or a countervailable subsidy, and (2) material injury to the domestic industry.

The Department's procedures for the conduct of sunset reviews are set forth in *Procedures for Conducting Five-year ("Sunset") Reviews of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Orders*, 63 FR 13516 (March 20, 1998) ("Sunset Regulations"). Guidance on methodological or analytical issues relevant to the Department's conduct of sunset reviews is set forth in the Department's Policy Bulletin 98:3—

*Policies Regarding the Conduct of Five-year ("Sunset") Reviews of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Orders; Policy Bulletin*, 63 FR 18871 (April 16, 1998) ("Sunset Policy Bulletin").

#### Filing Information

As a courtesy, we are making information related to sunset proceedings, including copies of the *Sunset Regulations* and *Sunset Policy*

*Bulletin*, the Department's schedule of sunset reviews, case history information (e.g., previous margins, duty absorption determinations, scope language, import volumes), and service lists, available to the public on the Department's sunset internet website at the following address: "http://www.ita.doc.gov/import\_admin/records/sunset/".

All submissions in the sunset review must be filed in accordance with the Department's regulations regarding format, translation, service, and certification of documents. These rules can be found at 19 CFR 351.303 (1999). Also, we suggest that parties check the Department's sunset website for any updates to the service list before filing any submissions. The Department will make additions to and/or deletions from the service list provided on the sunset website based on notifications from parties and participation in this review. Specifically, the Department will delete from the service list all parties that do not submit a substantive response to the notice of initiation.

Because deadlines in a sunset review are, in many instances, very short, we urge interested parties to apply for access to proprietary information under administrative protective order ("APO") immediately following publication in the **Federal Register** of the notice of initiation of the sunset review. The Department's regulations on submission of proprietary information and eligibility to receive access to business proprietary information under APO can be found at 19 CFR 351.304-306 (see *Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Proceedings: Administrative Protective Order Procedures; Procedures for Imposing Sanctions for Violation of a Protective Order*, 63 FR 24391 (May 4, 1998)).

#### Information Required From Interested Parties

Domestic interested parties (defined in 19 CFR 351.102 (1999)) wishing to participate in the sunset review must respond not later than 15 days after the date of publication in the **Federal Register** of the notice of initiation by filing a notice of intent to participate. The required contents of the notice of intent to participate are set forth in the *Sunset Regulations* at 19 CFR 351.218(d)(1)(ii). We note that the Department considers each of the orders listed above as separate and distinct orders and, therefore, requires order-specific submissions. In accordance with the *Sunset Regulations*, if we do not receive a notice of intent to participate from at least one domestic interested party by the 15-day deadline,

the Department will automatically revoke the order without further review.

If we receive an order-specific notice of intent to participate from a domestic interested party, the *Sunset Regulations* provide that *all parties* wishing to participate in the sunset review must file substantive responses not later than 30 days after the date of publication in the **Federal Register** of the notice of initiation. The required contents of a substantive response, on an order-specific basis, are set forth in the *Sunset Regulations* at 19 CFR 351.218(d)(3). Note that certain information requirements differ for foreign and domestic parties. Also, note that the Department's information requirements are distinct from the International Trade Commission's information requirements. Please consult the *Sunset Regulations* for information regarding the Department's conduct of sunset reviews.<sup>1</sup> Please consult the Department's regulations at 19 CFR Part 351 (1999) for definitions of terms and for other general information concerning antidumping and countervailing duty proceedings at the Department.

This notice of initiation is being published in accordance with section 751(c) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.218(c).

Dated: December 21, 1999.

**Robert S. LaRussa,**

*Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### International Trade Administration

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#### Final Results of Expedited Sunset Reviews: Industrial Belts From Germany, Italy, Singapore, and Japan

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

**ACTION:** Notice of Final Results of Expedited Sunset Reviews: Industrial Belts from Germany, Italy, Singapore, and Japan.

**SUMMARY:** On June 1, 1999, the Department of Commerce ("the Department") initiated sunset reviews of

<sup>1</sup> A number of parties commented that these interim-final regulations provided insufficient time for rebuttals to substantive responses to a notice of initiation (*Sunset Regulations*, 19 CFR 351.218(d)(4)). As provided in 19 CFR 351.302(b) (1999), the Department will consider individual requests for extension of that five-day deadline based upon a showing of good cause.

the antidumping duty orders on industrial belts from Germany, Italy, Singapore, and Japan (64 FR 29261) pursuant to section 751(c) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended ("the Act"). On the basis of notices of intent to participate and adequate substantive comments filed on behalf of The Gates Rubber Company, a domestic interested party, and inadequate response (in these cases, no response) from respondent interested parties, the Department determined to conduct expedited reviews. As a result of these reviews, the Department finds that revocation of the antidumping duty orders would be likely to lead to continuation or recurrence of dumping at the levels indicated in the *Final Results of Reviews* section of this notice.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Kathryn B. McCormick or Melissa G. Skinner, Office of Policy for Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C. 20230; telephone: (202) 482-1698 or (202) 482-1560, respectively.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** December 30, 1999.

#### Statute and Regulations

These reviews were conducted pursuant to sections 751(c) and 752 of the Act. The Department's procedures for the conduct of sunset reviews are set forth in *Procedures for Conducting Five-year ("Sunset") Reviews of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Orders*, 63 FR 13516 (March 20, 1998) ("*Sunset Regulations*"), and in 19 CFR Part 351 (1999) in general. Guidance on methodological or analytical issues relevant to the Department's conduct of sunset reviews is set forth in the Department's Policy Bulletin 98:3—*Policies Regarding the Conduct of Five-year ("Sunset") Reviews of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Orders; Policy Bulletin*, 63 FR 18871 (April 16, 1998), ("*Sunset Policy Bulletin*").

#### Scope

The merchandise covered by the antidumping duty orders on Germany and Japan includes industrial belts other than V-belts and synchronous belts used for power transmission, in part or wholly of rubber or plastic, and containing textile fiber (including glass fiber) or steel wire, cord or strand, and whether in endless (i.e., closed loops) belts, or in belting in lengths or links from Germany and Japan.<sup>1</sup> The

<sup>1</sup> See *Antidumping Duty Order of Sales at Less Than Fair Value; Industrial Belts and Components*

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