

produced in the United States as a lumber product satisfying the physical parameters of the softwood lumber scope.⁴ The presumption of non-subject status can, however, be rebutted by evidence demonstrating that the merchandise was substantially transformed in Canada.

Analysis of Comments Received

All issues raised in the case briefs submitted by interested parties to this new shipper review are addressed in the *New Shipper Decision Memorandum*, which is hereby adopted by this notice. A list of the issues contained in that decision memorandum is attached to this notice as Appendix I. Parties can find a complete discussion of the issues raised in this review and the corresponding recommendations in that public memorandum, which is on file in the Central Records Unit (CRU), room B-099 of the Main Commerce Building. In addition, a complete copy of the *New Shipper Decision Memorandum* can be accessed directly on the World Wide Web at <http://ia.ita.doc.gov>, under the heading "Federal Register Notices." The paper copy and electronic version of the decision memorandum are identical in content.

Final Results of Review

In accordance with section 751(a)(2)(B)(i) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act), we have determined an individual rate for Seed Timber. We determine the total net countervailable subsidy rate to be:

Producer/Exporter	Net Subsidy Rate
Seed Timber Co. Ltd. ...	2.22 percent <i>ad valorem</i>

In accordance with 19 CFR 356.8(a), we will issue appropriate assessment instructions directly to CBP on or after 41 days following the publication of the final results of this review, to liquidate shipments of the subject merchandise produced or exported by Seed Timber entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption from January 1, 2003, through December 31, 2003, at 2.22 percent *ad valorem* of the f.o.b. invoice price.

We will also instruct CBP to collect cash deposits of estimated countervailing duties at 2.22 percent *ad valorem* of the f.o.b. invoice price on all shipments of the subject merchandise from Seed Timber entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for

consumption on or after the date of publication of the final results of this new shipper review. This cash deposit requirement will remain in effect until publication of the final results of the second administrative review of the countervailing duty order on certain softwood lumber products from Canada.⁵

Return or Destruction of Proprietary Information

This notice serves as a reminder to parties subject to administrative protective order (APO) of their responsibility concerning the disposition of proprietary information disclosed under APO in accordance with 19 CFR 351.305(a)(3). Timely written notification of return/destruction of APO material or conversion to judicial protective order is hereby requested. Failure to comply is a violation of the APO.

This review and notice is issued and published in accordance with sections 751(a) and 777(i)(1) of the Act.

Dated: September 22, 2005.

Joseph A. Spetrini,

Acting Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

APPENDIX I - Issues and Decision Memorandum

I. Analysis of Programs

A. Program Determined to Be Countervailable

1. British Columbia's Provincial Stumpage Program

B. Programs Determined to Be Not Used

1. Non-Stumpage Programs of the Government of British Columbia
 - a. Grants, Loans, and Loan Guarantees Provided from Forest Renewal BC
 - b. Payments Associated with Tenure Reclamation
 - c. Land-Base Investment Program
 - d. Forestry Innovation Investment Program
 - e. Allowances for Harvesting Beetle-Infested Timber
 - f. Tax Breaks for Timber Harvesters on Private Timber Land
2. Non-Stumpage Programs of the Federal Government of Canada
 - a. Non-Repayable Grants and Conditionally Repayable Contributions from the Department of Western Economic Diversification

⁵ The Department has extended the time limit for completion of the final results of the second administrative review until December 4, 2005. See *Notice of Extension of Time Limit for Final Results of Countervailing Duty Administrative Review: Certain Softwood Lumber from Canada*, 70 FR 51751 (August 31, 2005).

- b. Workers Assistance Packages
- c. Softwood Marketing Subsidies
- d. Litigation Related Payments to Lumber Trade Associations

II. Total Ad Valorem Rate

III. Analysis of Comments

Comment 1: U.S. Log Data

Comment 2: Lower-Grade Cedar

Comment 3: Pond Values

Comment 4: Domestic Log Prices

Comment 5: Cross-Border U.S. Log Price Benchmarks

Comment 6: Net Benefit Calculation

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

U.S. Microelectronics Trade Mission

AGENCY: International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice to Microelectronics Trade Mission to Shanghai, China, March 20-23, 2006.

SUMMARY: The United States Department of Commerce, International Trade Administration, U.S. Commercial Service, Office of Global Trade Programs is organizing a microelectronics trade mission to China, March 20-23, 2006. This trade mission will take place during the highly acclaimed annual Shanghai exhibition Electronica and Productronica China 2006—co-located with SEMICON China. Participating firms will not only have pre-arranged one-on-one meetings scheduled for them by the U.S. Commercial Service in Shanghai, but will also have the opportunity to make additional business contacts at the exhibition. A similar microelectronics trade mission took place in March 2005.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Microelectronics Trade Mission, Shanghai, China, March 20-23, 2006.

Mission Statement

I. Description of the Mission

The United States Department of Commerce, International Trade Administration, U.S. Commercial Service, Office of Global Trade Programs is organizing a microelectronics trade mission to China, March 20-23, 2006. This trade mission will take place during the highly acclaimed annual Shanghai exhibition Electronica and

⁴ See scope clarification message 3034202, dated February 3, 2003, to CBP, concerning treatment of U.S.-origin lumber on file in the Department's Central Records Unit, room B-099.

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Trade mission participants will include representatives from U.S. firms specializing in microelectronics design, manufacturing, and distribution, including semiconductor devices, integrated circuit design services, semiconductor manufacturing equipment, clean room equipment, and electronics packaging/interconnects.

II. Commercial Setting for the Mission

Microelectronics design, manufacturing, and distribution make the foundation for the rapid growth of e-commerce, Web-enabled technologies, and wireless technologies that will be the major business prospects in the 21st century in Asia. The Chinese Government is strongly committed to the development of a domestic microelectronics industry to enable the adoption of Information Technology (IT) nationwide and to improve economic productivity.

The first wave of semiconductor manufacturing activity and investment is well under way in China, based on the growth of wafer fabrication facilities (fabs) and semiconductor packaging and test houses producing older-generation devices. China represents only a small portion of worldwide semiconductor production capacity. This is changing dramatically as more investment pours into the country, significantly increasing the number of fabs, assembly and test plants, electronics material production and very likely, semiconductor manufacturing equipment production in China. There is a sizeable overseas influence in China, and of all the announced semiconductor industry projects, those with overseas support are the most likely to survive in the rapidly growing China market.

China's total semiconductor consumption reached \$42 billion in 2004. IT products, consumer electronics, communications and industrial instrumentation are the main applications driving Chinese semiconductor demand. In 2004, new semiconductor manufacturing equipment sales in China were \$2.73 billion, while used/refurbished equipment revenues were an estimated \$180 million. The used and refurbished equipment market in China is expected to grow in the coming years,

approaching \$500 million by 2007. Most Chinese fabs and foundries are confident that 150 mm and 0.35 micron to 1.0 micron technology will remain strong over the next five years in China, though the majority of capacity and output will gradually shift to 200 mm and 0.25 micron to 0.13 micron production lines. The 300 mm fab era has also come to China with one fab in operation and several additional fabs possible over the next three years.

These development trends indicate that China is emerging as a new and strong production base for electronic and IT products in Asia. With this rapid growth in the IT sector, China is forced to build its strong microelectronics industry primarily on imports and investment from foreign suppliers. Shanghai, Beijing, and Hong Kong are among the cities that lead China's IT industry growth.

III. Goals for the Mission

The goal is to assist U.S. microelectronics industry's small- to medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) in achieving their export business objectives in the Chinese market through participation in this trade mission, which will take place during a major microelectronics exhibition. Mission participants will gain first-hand market exposure; meet with potential agents, distributors, and business partners from the private sector; and obtain information that will help to position their firms to take advantage of the strong business opportunities in China's microelectronics market.

IV. Scenario for the Mission

The primary focus of the mission is on Shanghai. The schedule includes site visits, briefings by the U.S. government, and an export control seminar sponsored by the Semiconductor Equipment Materials International (SEMI) Association. The purpose of the site visits will be to provide a broad vision of the Chinese electronics/semiconductor industry, which will help the participants to better understand the Chinese market. Attendance at the export control seminar will be invaluable for mission participants, as it will cover the full gamut of export control requirements for technology companies. It will include government requirements and perspective, industry perspective and best practices, and business advantages for companies that manage export controls strategically. A SEMICON forum, which all of the participants will be invited to attend, will also be on the agenda. The dates of the exhibition are March 21–23, 2006. The U.S.

Commercial Service in Shanghai will set aside time for pre-arranged individual business meetings for the mission participants. In addition, the participants will have the opportunity to conduct business with exhibitors at the show, as well as display company literature in a booth at the exhibition. No other types of exhibition items may be displayed. A hospitality reception for the participants will be held the evening of March 23.

Timetable

Saturday, March 18—Arrive Shanghai (optional); activities open.

Sunday, March 19—Arrive Shanghai (optional); no host dinner at hotel and/or activities open.

Monday, March 20—Breakfast briefing for participants with Commercial Service Shanghai staff; and high-tech industry park meetings and/or site tours to:

HHNEC (Shanghai Hua Hong NEC Electronics Company) Intel. Grace Semiconductor Manufacturing Corp. (GSMC). Semiconductor Manufacturing International Corp. (SMIC).

Tuesday, March 21—All-day individual one-on-one pre-arranged business meetings for participants.

Wednesday, March 22—SEMI association market briefing in morning. Attend exhibition in afternoon.

Thursday, March 23—Attend SEMI China export control seminar in morning. Attend exhibition in afternoon. Reception in evening.

Friday, March 24—Participants may wish to have follow-up business visits/appointments or depart for U.S.

Note: These dates and activities are tentative and subject to change. The final schedule will depend on the availability of Chinese officials, specific goals of mission participants, and air travel schedules.

V. Criteria for Participation

- Relevance of the company's business line to mission's scope and goals;
- Potential for business in the China market;
- Timeliness of the company's signed and completed application, and participation agreement, and payment of the mission participation fee of \$2,500 for the first company representative, and \$500 each for additional representatives;
- Provision of adequate information on the company's products and/or services and communication of the company's primary objectives to facilitate appropriate matching with potential business partners;

- Certification that the company meets Departmental guidelines for participation, including certification that the company's products and/or services are manufactured or produced in the United States, or if manufactured/produced outside of the United States, the product/services should be marketed under the name of the U.S. firm and have U.S. content of at least fifty-one percent of the value of the finished good or service.

A minimum of eight and a maximum of fifteen participating companies will be recruited in an open and public manner, including publication in the **Federal Register**; posting on the Internet; press releases to general and trade media; direct mail and broadcast fax; notices by industry trade associations and other multiplier groups; and announcements at industry meetings, symposiums, conferences, and trade shows.

Any partisan political activities (including political contributions) of an applicant are entirely irrelevant to the selection process. The \$2,500 trade mission participation fee does not include the cost of travel, lodging, and meals. Recruitment will begin immediately and will close on February 3, 2006.

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Dated: September 22, 2005.

Todd Thurwachter,

Director, Office of Trade Event Programs.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

Evaluation of State Coastal Management Programs and National Estuarine Research Reserves

AGENCY: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Office of Ocean and Coastal Resource Management, National Ocean Service, Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of intent to evaluate and notice of availability of final findings.

SUMMARY: The NOAA Office of Ocean and Coastal Resource Management (OCRM) announces its intent to evaluate the performance of the Rhode Island Coastal Management Program, the

Chesapeake Bay-Maryland National Estuarine Research Reserve, the Delaware Coastal Management Program and Delaware National Estuarine Research Reserve, and the Georgia Coastal Management Program.

The Coastal Zone Management Program evaluations will be conducted pursuant to section 312 of the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972, as amended (CZMA) and regulations at 15 CFR part 923, subpart L. The National Estuarine Research Reserve evaluations will be conducted pursuant to sections 312 and 315 of the CZMA and regulations at 15 CFR part 921, subpart E and part 923, subpart L. The CZMA requires continuing review of the performance of states with respect to coastal program implementation. Evaluation of Coastal Management Programs and National Estuarine Research Reserves requires findings concerning the extent to which a state has met the national objectives, adhered to its Coastal Management Program document or Reserve final management plan approved by the Secretary of Commerce, and adhered to the terms of financial assistance awards funded under the CZMA.

Each evaluation will include a site visit, consideration of public comments, and consultations with interested Federal, state, and local agencies and members of the public. A public meeting will be held as part of the site visit.

Notice is hereby given of the dates of the site visits for the listed evaluations, and the dates, local times, and locations of the public meeting during the site visits.

The Rhode Island Coastal Management Program evaluation site visit will be held November 14-18, 2005. One public meeting will be held during the week. The public meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 15, 2005, at 7:30 p.m. at the Narragansett Bay Commission Board Room, One Service Road, Providence, Rhode Island.

The Chesapeake Bay-Maryland National Estuarine Research Reserve evaluation site visit will be held November 14-16, 2005. One public meeting will be held during the week. The public meeting will be held on Monday, November 14, 2005, at 7 p.m. at the Jug Bay Sanctuary, 1361 Wighton Road, Lothian, Maryland.

The Delaware Coastal Management Program and Delaware National Estuarine Research Reserve joint evaluation site visit will be held December 5-9, 2005. One public meeting will be held during the week. The joint public meeting will be held on Wednesday, December 7, 2005, at 6 p.m.

at 818 Kitts Hummock Road, Dover, Delaware.

The Georgia Coastal Management Program evaluation site visit will be held December 12-16, 2005. One public meeting will be held during the week. The public meeting will be held on Tuesday, December 13, 2005, at 1 p.m. at the Coastal Electric Membership Cooperative, 1265 South Coastal Highway (U.S. 17), Midway, Georgia.

Copies of states' most recent performance reports, as well as OCRM's evaluation notification and supplemental information request letters to the states, are available upon request from OCRM. Written comments from interested parties regarding these Programs are encouraged and will be accepted until 15 days after the public meeting held for a Program. Please direct written comments to Ralph Cantral, Chief, National Policy and Evaluation Division, Office of Ocean and Coastal Resource Management, NOS/NOAA, 1305 East-West Highway, 10th Floor, N/ORM7, Silver Spring, Maryland 20910. When the evaluations are completed, OCRM will place a notice in the **Federal Register** announcing the availability of the Final Evaluation Findings.

Notice is hereby given of the availability of the final evaluation findings for the Florida, Mississippi, and Washington Coastal Management Programs (CMPs); and the Padilla Bay (Washington) and North Carolina National Estuarine Research Reserves (NERRs). Sections 312 and 315 of the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972 (CZMA), as amended, require a continuing review of the performance of coastal states with respect to approval of CMPs and the operation and management of NERRs.

The states of Florida, Mississippi, and Washington were found to be implementing and enforcing their federally approved coastal management programs, addressing the national coastal management objectives identified in CZMA Section 303(2)(A)-(K), and adhering to the programmatic terms of their financial assistance awards. Padilla Bay (Washington) and North Carolina NERRs were found to be adhering to programmatic requirements of the NERR System.

Copies of these final evaluation findings may be obtained upon written request from: Ralph Cantral, Chief, National Policy and Evaluation Division, Office of Ocean and Coastal Resource Management, NOS/NOAA, 1305 East-West Highway, 10th Floor, N/ORM7, Silver Spring, Maryland 20910, or Ralph.Cantral@noaa.gov.