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CONTACT PERSON FOR FURTHER

INFORMATION: Lenore Ostrowsky, Acting Chief, Public Affairs Unit (202) 376-8591. TDD: (202) 376-8116.

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Dated: January 26, 2010.

David Blackwood,
General Counsel.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[C-570-955]

Certain Magnesia Carbon Bricks From the People's Republic of China: Alignment of Final Countervailing Duty Determination With Final Antidumping Duty Determinations

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

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce (the Department) is aligning the final

countervailing duty (CVD) determination for Certain Magnesia Carbon Bricks (Bricks) from the People's Republic of China (PRC) with the final determinations of the antidumping duty (AD) investigations of Bricks from the PRC and Mexico.

DATES: *Effective Date:* January 28, 2010.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Toni Page and Summer Avery, AD/CVD Operations, Office 6, Operations, Import Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, Room 7867, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482-1398 and (202) 482-4052, respectively.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Case History

On August 18, 2009, the Department initiated the CVD investigation of Bricks from the PRC and the AD investigations of Bricks from the PRC and Mexico. *See Certain Magnesia Carbon Bricks from the People's Republic of China: Initiation of Countervailing Duty Investigation*, 74 FR 42858 (August 25, 2009) and *Certain Magnesia Carbon Bricks from the People's Republic of China and Mexico: Initiation of Antidumping Duty Investigations*, 74 FR 42852 (August 25, 2009). The CVD investigation and the AD investigations have the same scope with regard to the merchandise covered. On December 23, 2009, the Department published its preliminary CVD determination. *See Certain Magnesia Carbon Bricks From the People's Republic of China: Preliminary Negative Countervailing Duty Determination*, 74 FR 68241 (December 23, 2009) (*CVD Preliminary Determination*). On January 7, 2010, Petitioner¹ submitted a letter, in accordance with section 705(a)(1) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act), requesting alignment of the final CVD determination with the final AD determinations of Bricks from the PRC and Mexico. In the letter, Petitioner acknowledges that it missed the regulatory deadline for filing the request and explained the extenuating circumstances.² Petitioner goes on to state that under these extenuating circumstances, the Department should accept its belated request for alignment.

¹ The Petitioner in the instant investigation is Resco Products Inc.

² These circumstances included the Department's partial or full closure during the five-day period after the *CVD Preliminary Determination* was published (from December 23, 2009 through December 28, 2009), and the firm's closure due to relocation from December 28, 2009 until January 5, 2010, which resulted in the firm's inability to access its computer systems until the completion of that move.

Alignment of the CVD Final Determination With the Final AD Determinations

According to 19 CFR 351.210(i), a petitioner must submit a written request to postpone the final CVD determination to the date of final determination in a companion AD investigation within five days of the date of publication of the preliminary CVD determination. However, because the five-day deadline is not a statutory deadline, the Department has discretion, pursuant to 19 CFR 351.302(b), to extend the deadline for filing an alignment request. The Department has decided to accept Petitioner's belated request to align the final CVD determination with the final AD determinations. The alignment of the final determination in this CVD investigation will ensure that the Department can thoroughly analyze the complicated and novel issues, which have arisen. In addition, the alignment will allow interested parties adequate time to comment on the Department's analyses.

Therefore, in accordance with 19 CFR 351.302(b), we are hereby extending the deadline for filing the alignment request and, in accordance with section 705(a)(1) of the Act, we are aligning the final CVD determination with the final AD determinations in the companion Bricks AD investigations. Consequently, the final CVD determination will be issued on the same date as the final AD determinations, which are currently scheduled to be issued no later than May 10, 2010, unless the final AD determinations are extended.

This determination is issued and published pursuant to Section 705(a)(1) of the Act.

Dated: January 22, 2010.

Ronald K. Lorentzen,
Deputy Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

RIN 0648-XU02

Endangered and Threatened Species: Notice of Intent to Prepare a Recovery Plan for Cook Inlet Beluga Whales

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of Intent to prepare recovery plan; request for information.

SUMMARY: NMFS is required by the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (ESA), as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*), to develop plans for the conservation and survival of federally listed species, i.e., recovery plans. NMFS is announcing its intent to prepare a recovery plan for the Cook Inlet beluga whale (*Delphinapterus leucas*) and requests information from the public.

DATES: All information must be received no later than 5 p.m. Alaska Time by March 29, 2010.

ADDRESSES: Submit materials by any of the following methods:

- E-mail: The mailbox address for submitting e-mail information for recovery planning is CIBRP@noaa.gov. Please include "Cook Inlet Beluga Recovery Plan Information" in the subject line of the e-mail.
- Mail: Submit written comments and information to National Marine Fisheries Service, P.O. Box 21668, Juneau, AK 99802, ATTN: Ellen Sebastian.
- Hand Delivery/Courier: National Marine Fisheries Service, 709 West 9th Street, Room 420, Juneau, AK 99802. Business hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except federal holidays.
- Fax: (907) 586-7557. Please identify the fax comments as "Cook Inlet Beluga Recovery Plan Information."

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Mandy Migura, Marine Mammal Specialist, Anchorage Field Office, (907) 271-1332.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

Management responsibility for beluga whales in Alaska lies with the Secretary of Commerce and has been delegated to NMFS. As such, NMFS is charged with the recovery of Cook Inlet belugas, which are listed as endangered under the ESA. The recovery planning process is guided by the statutory language of section 4(f) of the ESA and NMFS policies. Recovery is the use of all methods and procedures which are necessary to bring any endangered species or threatened species to the point at which the measures provided pursuant to the ESA are no longer necessary. The ESA specifies that recovery plans must include: (1) a description of management actions as may be necessary to achieve the plan's goals for the conservation and survival of the species; (2) objective, measurable criteria which, when met, would result in the species being removed from the list; and (3) estimates of time and costs required to achieve the plan's goal and the intermediate steps towards that goal.

In an effort to expedite the recovery plan process, NMFS will work towards incorporating relevant portions of the final Conservation Plan for the Cook Inlet Beluga Whale into the draft Recovery Plan.

Section 4(f) of the ESA, as amended in 1988, requires that public notice—and an opportunity for public review and comment—be provided during recovery plan development. NMFS is hereby soliciting relevant information on Cook Inlet beluga whales and their habitats. Upon completion, the draft Recovery Plan will be available for public review and comment through the publication of a **Federal Register** Notice. NMFS requests relevant information from the public during preparation of the draft Recovery Plan. Such information should address: (a) criteria for removing the Cook Inlet beluga whales from the list of threatened and endangered species; (b) factors that are presently limiting, or threaten to limit, the survival of the belugas; (c) actions to address limiting factors and threats; (d) estimates of time and cost to implement recovery actions; and (e) research, monitoring, and evaluation needs.

Authority: 16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*

Dated: January 22, 2010.

Therese Conant,

Deputy Chief, Division of Endangered Species, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[A-549-502]

Circular Welded Carbon Steel Pipes and Tubes From Thailand: Final Results of Antidumping Duty New Shipper Review

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

SUMMARY: On August 31, 2009, the Department of Commerce (the Department) published the preliminary results of a semiannual new shipper review under the antidumping duty order on circular welded carbon steel pipes and tubes (pipes and tubes) from Thailand. *See Circular Welded Carbon Steel Pipes and Tubes from Thailand: Preliminary Results of Antidumping Duty New Shipper Review*, 74 FR 44825 (August 31, 2009) (*Preliminary Results*). This new shipper review covers one producer/exporter of the subject merchandise to the United States,

Pacific Pipe Public Company Limited (Pacific Pipe). The period of review (POR) is March 1, 2008 through September 30, 2008. Subsequent to the *Preliminary Results*, we conducted verification and provided parties with an opportunity to comment. We received timely case and rebuttal briefs, and have made changes to our calculation as a result of verification and based on our analysis of the comments. Therefore, the final results differ from those published in the Department's *Preliminary Results*. The final weighted-average dumping margin for the reviewed firm is listed below in the section entitled "Final Results of the Review."

DATES: *Effective Date:* January 28, 2010.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Myrna Lobo, AD/CVD Operations, Office 6, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482-2371.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On August 31, 2009, the Department published the preliminary results of a semiannual new shipper review under the antidumping duty order covering pipes and tubes from Thailand. *See Preliminary Results*. The domestic interested parties for this proceeding are Allied Tube & Conduit Corporation and Wheatland Tube Company (petitioners).

On September 17, 2009, the Department issued a third supplemental questionnaire to Pacific Pipe in order to evaluate further the *bona fide* nature of Pacific Pipe's U.S. sale and to seek clarification on sales information previously submitted. Pacific Pipe timely responded on September 29, 2009. The Department conducted a verification of Pacific Pipe in Bangkok, Thailand in October 2009 and issued a verification report. *See Memorandum to File from Myrna Lobo, International Trade Compliance Analyst, Office 6, Verification of the Sales Response of Pacific Pipe Public Company, Limited in the Antidumping New Shipper Review of Circular Welded Carbon Steel Pipes and Tubes from Thailand*, dated November 5, 2009 (*Verification Report*). We invited parties to comment on the *Preliminary Results* and *Verification Report*. We received a timely filed case brief from Pacific Pipe and a timely filed rebuttal brief from petitioners. The Department did not receive a request for a hearing.

On November 19, 2009, the Department published a notice