

notification of proposed production activity to the FTZ Board on behalf of DNP Imagingcomm America Corporation (DNP), operator of Subzone 57C, located in Concord, North Carolina. The notification conforming to the requirements of the regulations of the FTZ Board (15 CFR 400.22) was received on May 30, 2017.

DNP already has authority to slit foreign jumbo rolls of thermal transfer ribbons, dye sublimation transfer ribbon (STR), and assemble STR photo printer components (including photo printer packages—printer cartridges and paper) within Subzone 57C. DNP's new activity would add foreign status coatings and lamination to semi-completed coated paper to the scope of authority. Pursuant to 15 CFR 400.14(b), additional FTZ authority would be limited to the specific foreign-status materials/components described in the submitted notification (as described below) and subsequently authorized by the FTZ Board.

Production under FTZ procedures could exempt DNP from customs duty payments on the foreign-status materials/components used in export production. On its domestic sales, DNP would be able to choose the duty rate during customs entry procedures that applies to the finished products in the existing scope of authority for the foreign-status materials/components noted below. Customs duties also could possibly be deferred or reduced on foreign-status production equipment.

The materials/components sourced from abroad include: Polyurethane composed of urethane resin, m-xylylene diisocyanate and ethyl acetate; catalyst for sealant and adhesive formulation; polyurethane resin; binding agent for polyurethane coatings; propylene film; coated wood-free paper; chemical reaction initiators; components of printing ink; plastic film; chemical binders; and, resin—binder used in ink (duty rate ranges from free to 6.5%)

Public comment is invited from interested parties. Submissions shall be addressed to the Board's Executive Secretary at the address below. The closing period for their receipt is August 2, 2017.

A copy of the notification will be available for public inspection at the Office of the Executive Secretary, Foreign-Trade Zones Board, Room 21013, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20230-0002, and in the "Reading Room" section of the Board's Web site, which is accessible via www.trade.gov/ftz.

For further information, contact Christopher Wedderburn at

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Andrew McGilvray,
Executive Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[S-83-2017]

Foreign-Trade Zone 143—Sacramento, California Application for Subzone Expansion; Mitsubishi Chemical Carbon Fiber and Composites, Inc. Sacramento, California

An application has been submitted to the Foreign-Trade Zones (FTZ) Board by the Sacramento-Yolo Port District, grantee of FTZ 143, requesting expanded subzone status for the facilities of Mitsubishi Chemical Carbon Fiber and Composites, Inc., located in Sacramento, California. The application was submitted pursuant to the provisions of the Foreign-Trade Zones Act, as amended (19 U.S.C. 81a-81u), and the regulations of the FTZ Board (15 CFR part 400). It was formally docketed on June 1, 2017.

Subzone 143D consists of the following sites in Sacramento: *Site 1* (10 acres) 5900 88th Street; and, *Site 2* (1.05 acres) 6003 88th Street. The applicant is now requesting authority to expand the subzone to include proposed *Site 3*: 8670 Fruitridge Road, Suite 100, Sacramento. The expanded subzone would be subject to the existing activation limit of FTZ 143.

In accordance with the FTZ Board's regulations, Christopher Kemp of the FTZ Staff is designated examiner to review the application and make recommendations to the Executive Secretary.

Public comment is invited from interested parties. Submissions shall be addressed to the FTZ Board's Executive Secretary at the address below. The closing period for their receipt is August 2, 2017. Rebuttal comments in response to material submitted during the foregoing period may be submitted during the subsequent 15-day period to August 17, 2017.

A copy of the application will be available for public inspection at the Office of the Executive Secretary, Foreign-Trade Zones Board, Room 21013, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20230-0002, and in the "Reading Room" section of the FTZ

Board's Web site, which is accessible via www.trade.gov/ftz.

For further information, contact Christopher Kemp at Christopher.Kemp@trade.gov or (202) 482-0862.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[B-43-2017]

Foreign-Trade Zone 57—Mecklenburg County, North Carolina; Application for Production Authority; Gildan Yarns, LLC (Cotton and Cotton/Polyester Yarns); Salisbury, North Carolina

An application has been submitted to the Foreign-Trade Zones (FTZ) Board by the Charlotte Regional Partnership, Inc., grantee of FTZ 57, requesting export-only production authority on behalf of Gildan Yarns, LLC (Gildan), located in Salisbury, North Carolina. The application conforming to the requirements of the regulations of the FTZ Board (15 CFR 400.23) was docketed on June 16, 2017.

The Gildan facility (400 employees, 104 acres) is located within Site 19 of FTZ 57. The facility is used to produce spun cotton and cotton/polyester yarns for export. Production under FTZ procedures could exempt Gildan from customs duty payments on the foreign component used in export production. The sole foreign-origin material (representing 10% of the value of the finished product) to be used in the export production is polyester staple fiber (duty rate 4.3%). Customs duties also could possibly be deferred or reduced on foreign-status production equipment. The request indicates that the savings from FTZ procedures would help improve the plant's international competitiveness.

In accordance with the FTZ Board's regulations, Elizabeth Whiteman of the FTZ Staff is designated examiner to evaluate and analyze the facts and information presented in the application and case record and to report findings and recommendations to the FTZ Board.

Public comment is invited from interested parties. Submissions shall be addressed to the FTZ Board's Executive Secretary at the address below. The closing period for their receipt is August 22, 2017. Rebuttal comments in response to material submitted during

the foregoing period may be submitted during the subsequent 15-day period to September 6, 2017.

A copy of the application will be available for public inspection at the Office of the Executive Secretary, Foreign-Trade Zones Board, Room 21013, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20230-0002, and in the "Reading Room" section of the FTZ Board's Web site, which is accessible via www.trade.gov/ftz.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[A-570-051]

Certain Hardwood Plywood Products from the People's Republic of China: Preliminary Affirmative Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value, Preliminary Affirmative Determination of Critical Circumstances, in Part

AGENCY: Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce (the Department) preliminarily determines that certain hardwood plywood products (hardwood plywood) from the People's Republic of China (PRC) are being, or are likely to be, sold in the United States at less than fair value (LTFV). The period of investigation (POI) is April 1, 2016, through September 30, 2016.

DATES: Effective June 23, 2017.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Amanda Brings or Ryan Mullen, AD/CVD Operations, Office V, Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482-3927 or (202) 482-5260, respectively.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

This preliminary determination is made in accordance with section 733(b) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act). The Department published the notice of initiation of this investigation

on December 16, 2016.¹ On February 27, 2017, the Department postponed the preliminary determination of this investigation and the revised deadline is now June 16, 2017.² For a complete description of the events that followed the initiation of this investigation, see the Preliminary Decision Memorandum.³ A list of topics included in the Preliminary Decision Memorandum is included as Appendix II to this notice. The Preliminary Decision Memorandum is a public document and is on file electronically via Enforcement and Compliance's Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Centralized Electronic Service System (ACCESS). ACCESS is available to registered users at <https://access.trade.gov>, and to all parties in the Central Records Unit, Room B8024 of the main Department of Commerce building. In addition, a complete version of the Preliminary Decision Memorandum can be accessed directly at <http://enforcement.trade.gov/frn/>. The signed and the electronic versions of the Preliminary Decision Memorandum are identical in content.

Scope of the Investigation

The product covered by this investigation is hardwood plywood from the PRC. For a complete description of the scope of this investigation, see Appendix I.

Scope of Comments

In accordance with the preamble to the Department's regulations,⁴ the *Initiation Notice* set aside a period of time for parties to raise issues regarding product coverage (scope).⁵ Certain interested parties commented on the scope of the investigation as it appeared in the *Initiation Notice*. For a summary of the product coverage comments and rebuttal responses submitted to the record for this investigation, and accompanying discussion and analysis of all comments timely received, see the Department's Preliminary Scope Decision Memorandum and the

¹ See *Certain Hardwood Plywood Products from the People's Republic of China: Initiation of Less-Than-Fair-Value Investigation*, 81 FR 91125 (December 16, 2016) (*Initiation Notice*).

² See *Certain Hardwood Plywood Products from the People's Republic of China: Postponement of Preliminary Determination of Antidumping Duty Investigation*, 82 FR 12538 (March 6, 2017).

³ See Memorandum, "Decision Memorandum for the Preliminary Determination in the Less-Than-Fair-Value Investigation of Certain Hardwood Plywood Products from the People's Republic of China," dated concurrently with, and hereby adopted by, this notice (Preliminary Decision Memorandum).

⁴ See *Antidumping Duties; Countervailing Duties, Final Rule*, 62 FR 27296, 27323 (May 19, 1997).

⁵ See *Initiation Notice*.

Department's Additional Preliminary Scope Decision Memorandum.⁶ The Department is preliminarily modifying the scope language as it appeared in the *Initiation Notice*. See the revised scope in Appendix I to this notice.

Methodology

The Department is conducting this investigation in accordance with section 731 of the Act. The Department calculated export prices in accordance with section 772(a) of the Act. Because the PRC is a non-market economy, within the meaning of section 771(18) of the Act, the Department calculated normal value (NV) in accordance with section 773(c) of the Act. In addition, pursuant to sections 776(a) and (b) of the Act, the Department preliminarily relied upon facts otherwise available, with adverse inferences, for Shandong Dongfang Bayley Wood Co., Ltd. (Bayley), certain separate rate applicants, and the PRC-wide entity. As the Department preliminarily determined that Bayley is not entitled to a separate rate, the company is included within the PRC-wide entity. For a full description of the methodology underlying the Department's preliminary determination, see the Preliminary Decision Memorandum.

Preliminary Affirmative Determination of Critical Circumstances, in Part

In accordance with section 733(e) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.206, the Department preliminarily determines that critical circumstances exist with respect to imports of hardwood plywood from the PRC for certain separate rate respondents and the PRC-wide entity (of which Bayley and certain separate rate respondents are a part), but do not exist for Linyi Chengen Import and Export Co., Ltd. and certain separate rate respondents. For a full description of the methodology and results of the Department's critical circumstances analysis, see the Preliminary Decision Memorandum.

⁶ See Memorandum, "Certain Hardwood Plywood Products from the People's Republic of China: Scope Comments Decision Memorandum for the Preliminary Determinations" (Preliminary Scope Decision Memorandum), dated April 17, 2017, and hereby adopted by, this preliminary determination; Memorandum, "Certain Hardwood Plywood Products from the People's Republic of China: Additional Scope Comments Preliminary Decision Memorandum and Extension of Deadlines for Scope Case Briefs and Scope Rebuttal Briefs" (Additional Preliminary Scope Decision Memorandum), dated concurrently with, and hereby adopted by, this preliminary determination.