will be the rate established in the final results of this review, except if the rate is less than 0.5 percent and therefore de minimis, the cash deposit will be zero; (2) for previously reviewed or investigated companies not listed above, the cash deposit rate will continue to be the company-specific rate published for the most recent period; (3) if the exporter is not a firm covered in this review, or the original less-than-fairvalue (LTFV) investigation, but the manufacturer is, the cash deposit rate will be the rate established for the most recent period for the manufacturer of the merchandise; and (4) if neither the exporter nor the manufacturer is a firm covered in this review, the cash deposit rate will be 32.98 percent. This is the "All Others" rate from the LTFV investigation. (See Antidumping Duty Order; Acetylsalicylic Acid from Turkey, 52 FR 32030 (August 25, 1987).) These deposit rates, when imposed, shall remain in effect until publication of the final results of the next administrative review.

This notice also serves as a preliminary reminder to importers of their responsibility under § 351.402(f)(2) of the Department's regulations to file a certificate regarding the reimbursement of antidumping duties prior to liquidation of the relevant entries during this review period. Failure to comply with this requirement could result in the Department's presumption that reimbursement of antidumping duties occurred and the subsequent assessment of double antidumping duties.

This administrative review and notice are in accordance with section 751(a)(1) of the Act and § 351.213 of the Department's regulations.

Dated: April 22, 1998.

Robert S. LaRussa,

Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[A-588-836]

Polyvinyl Alcohol From Japan: Notice of Initiation and Preliminary Results of Changed Circumstances Antidumping Duty Review, and Intent To Revoke Order in Part

AGENCY: Import Administration, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce. **ACTION:** Notice of initiation and preliminary results of changed circumstances antidumping duty review, and intent to revoke order in part.

SUMMARY: In response to a request made on March 12, 1998, by Colorcon, Inc., the Department of Commerce is initiating a changed circumstances antidumping duty review and issuing a preliminary intent to revoke in part the antidumping duty order on polyvinyl alcohol from Japan, the scope of which currently includes polyvinyl alcohol for use as a pharmaceutical excipient or for use in the manufacture of film coating systems which are components of a drug or dietary supplement. Air Products and Chemicals, Inc., the petitioner in this case, has expressed no further interest in the relief provided by the antidumping duty order with respect to polyvinyl alcohol imported from Japan for use as a pharmaceutical excipient or for use in the manufacture of film coating systems which are components of a drug or dietary supplement. Accordingly we intend to partially revoke this order.

EFFECTIVE DATE: April 30, 1998.

The Applicable Statute

Unless otherwise indicated, all citations to the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended ("the Act"), are references to the provisions effective January 1, 1995, the effective date of the amendments made to the Act by the Uruguay Round Agreements Act ("URAA"). In addition, unless otherwise indicated, all citations to the Department of Commerce's ("the Department's") regulations are to the regulations at 19 CFR Part 351 (62 FR 27296, May 19, 1997).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Brian Ledgerwood or Sunkyu Kim, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20230; telephone (202) 482–3836 or (202) 482–2613, respectively.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On May 14, 1996, the Department published in the **Federal Register** (61 FR 24286) an antidumping duty order on polyvinyl alcohol ("PVA") from Japan. On March 12, 1998, Colorcon, Inc. ("Colorcon") requested that the Department conduct a changed circumstances review and revoke, in part, the antidumping duty order with respect to PVA from Japan which is used as a pharmaceutical excipient or for use in the manufacture of film coating systems which are components

of a drug or dietary supplement. Colorcon included in its request a statement from the petitioner dated October 30, 1997, expressing (i) no objection to a changed circumstances review, and (ii) no further interest in maintaining the antidumping duty order with respect to PVA imported from Japan for use in the manner described above.

Scope of Review

The product covered by this review is PVA. PVA is a dry, white to cream-colored, water-soluble synthetic polymer. Excluded from this review are PVAs covalently bonded with acetoacetylate, carboxylic acid, or sulfonic acid uniformly present on all polymer chains in a concentration equal to or greater than two mole percent, and PVAs covalently bonded with silane uniformly present on all polymer chains in a concentration equal to or greater than one-tenth of one mole percent. PVA in fiber form is not included in the scope of this review.

The merchandise under review is currently classifiable under subheading 3905.30.00 of the *Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States* ("HTSUS"). Although the HTSUS subheading is provided for convenience and customs purposes, our written description of the scope is dispositive.

Initiation and Preliminary Results of Changed Circumstances Review, and Intent To Revoke Order in Part

Pursuant to section 751(d) of the Act, the Department may partially revoke an antidumping duty order based on a review under section 751(b) of the Act (*i.e.*, a changed circumstances review). Section 751(b)(1) of the Act requires a changed circumstances administrative review to be conducted upon receipt of a request containing information concerning changed circumstances sufficient to warrant a review.

Section 351.222(g) of the Department's regulations provides that the Department will conduct a changed circumstances review under 19 CFR 351.216, and may revoke an order in whole or in part if it determines that the producers accounting for substantially all of the production of the domestic like product to which the order pertains have expressed a lack of interest in the order, in whole or in part. In addition, in the event that the Department concludes that expedited action is warranted, section 351.221(c)(3)(ii) of the regulations permits the Department to combine the notices of initiation and preliminary results. Therefore, in accordance with sections 751(b) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.216, 351.221, and

351.222, based on an affirmative statement of no interest by the petitioner in continuing the order with respect to PVA imported from Japan for use as a pharmaceutical excipient or for use in the manufacture of film coating systems which are components of a drug or dietary supplement, we are initiating this changed circumstances administrative review. Based on the fact that no other interested parties have objected to the position taken by the petitioner, we have determined that expedited action is warranted, and we are combining these notices of initiation and preliminary results. We have preliminarily determined that there are changed circumstances sufficient to warrant partial revocation of the antidumping duty order on PVA from Japan. Therefore, we are hereby notifying the public of our intent to revoke, in part, the antidumping duty order as it relates to imports of PVA for use as a pharmaceutical excipient or for use in the manufacture of film coating systems which are components of a drug or dietary supplement.

If final revocation, in part, occurs, we intend to instruct the Customs Service to end, effective on the date of publication in the Federal Register of the final notice of partial revocation, the suspension of liquidation and to refund any estimated antidumping duties collected for all unliquidated entries of the above described PVA not subject to final results of an administrative review. We will also instruct the Customs Service to pay interest on such refunds in accordance with section 778 of the Act. The current requirement for a cash deposit of estimated antidumping duties will continue until publication of the final results of this changed circumstances review.

Public Comment

Interested parties may submit case briefs and/or written comments no later than 30 days after the date of publication of these results. Rebuttal briefs and rebuttals to written comments, limited to issues raised in such briefs or comments, may be filed no later than 37 days after the date of publication of these results. The Department will issue the final results of this changed circumstances review, which will include the results of its analysis raised in any such written comments, no later than 270 days after the date on which this review was initiated, or within 45 days if all parties agree to our preliminary results.

This initiation of review and notice are in accordance with section 751(b) of the Act (19 U.S.C. 1675(b)), and 19 CFR 351.216, 351.221, and 351.222.

Dated: April 22, 1998.

Robert S. LaRussa,

Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[C-122-404]

Live Swine From Canada; Preliminary Results of Countervailing Duty Administrative Review

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

ACTION: Notice of preliminary results of countervailing duty administrative review.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce (the Department) is conducting an administrative review of the countervailing duty order on live swine from Canada for the period April 1, 1996 through March 31, 1997. For information on the net subsidy for all producers covered by this order, see the Preliminary Results of Review section of this notice. If the final results remain the same as these preliminary results of administrative review, we will instruct the U.S. Customs Service to assess countervailing duties as detailed in the Preliminary Results of Review section of this notice. Interested parties are invited to comment on these preliminary results. See Public Comment section of this notice.

EFFECTIVE DATE: April 30, 1998.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Gayle Longest or Lorenza Olivas, Office CVD/AD Enforcement VI, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482–2786.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On August 15, 1985, the Department published in the **Federal Register** (50 FR 32880) the countervailing duty order on live swine from Canada. On August 4, 1997, the Department published a notice of "Opportunity to Request Administrative Review" (62 FR 41925) of this countervailing duty order. We received timely requests for review and on September 25, 1997, we initiated the review, covering the period April 1, 1996 through March 31, 1997 (62 FR 50292).

The Department has determined that it is not practicable to conduct a company-specific review of this order because a large number of producers and exporters requested the review. Therefore, pursuant to section 777A(e)(2)(B) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act), we are conducting a review of all producers and exporters of subject merchandise covered by this order on the basis of aggregate data. This review covers 27 programs.

Applicable Statute and Regulations

Unless otherwise indicated, all citations to the statute are references to the provisions of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended by the Uruguay Round Agreements Act (URAA) effective January 1, 1995 (the Act). In addition, unless otherwise indicated, all citations to the Department's regulations are to the regulations codified at 19 CFR section 351, published in the **Federal Register** at 62 FR 27296 (May 19, 1997). The Department is conducting this administrative review in accordance with section 751(a) of the Act.

Scope of the Review

The merchandise covered by this order is live swine, except U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) certified purebred breeding swine, slaughter sows and boars, and weanlings, (weanlings are swine weighing up to 27 kilograms or 59.5 pounds) from Canada. The merchandise subject to the order is classifiable under the Harmonized Tariff Schedule (HTS) item numbers 0103.91.00 and 0103.92.00. The HTS item numbers are provided for convenience and U.S. Customs Service (Customs) purposes. The written description of the scope remains dispositive.

Analysis of Programs

Allocation Methodology

In the past, the Department has relied on information from the U.S. Internal Revenue Service (IRS) on the industryspecific average useful life of assets in determining the allocation period for nonrecurring grant benefits. See General Issues Appendix appended to Final Countervailing Duty Determination; Certain Steel Products from Austria, 58 FR 37063, 37226 (July 9, 1993). However, in British Steel plc. v. United States, 879 F. Supp. 1254 (CIT 1995) (British Steel), the U.S. Court of International Trade (the Court) ruled against this allocation methodology. In accordance with the Court's remand order, the Department calculated a company-specific allocation period for