

Summary of Collection: The Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration (GIPSA) is responsible for establishment of grain standards which accurately describe the quality of grain being traded and for the uniform application of these standards in a nationwide inspection system. This authority is provided under Section 4a of the U.S. Grain Standards Act (USGSA). GIPSA maintains an external research program under which research scientists are invited to submit research grant proposals which include the objectives of the proposed work; application of the proposed work to the grain inspection system; the procedures, equipment, personnel, etc., that will be used to reach the project objectives; the cost of the project; a schedule for completion; qualifications of the investigator and the grantee organization; and a listing of all other sources of financial support for the project. GIPSA will collect information from research grant proposals.

Need and Use of the Information: GIPSA collects information on the technical capabilities of project personnel and the submitting organization, past experience of project personnel and the submitting organization, clarity of the proposal, technical feasibility of the solution to the problem, ease of application of the solution to use in the grain inspection system and the cost effectiveness of the research approach.

Description of Respondents: State, Local or Tribal Government; Business or other for-profit; Not-for-profit institutions.

Number of Respondents: 3.

Frequency of Responses: Reporting: On occasion.

Total Burden Hours: 60.

Nancy Sternberg,

Departmental Information Clearance Officer.
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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Rural Utilities Service

Municipal Interest Rates for the Fourth Quarter of 1998

AGENCY: Rural Utilities Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of municipal interest rates on advances from insured electric loans for the fourth quarter of 1998.

SUMMARY: The Rural Utilities Service hereby announces the interest rates for advances on municipal rate loans with interest rate terms beginning during the fourth calendar quarter of 1998.

DATES: These interest rates are effective for interest rate terms that commence during the period beginning October 1, 1998, and ending December 31, 1998.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Carolyn Dotson, Loan Funds Control Assistant, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Rural Utilities Service, Room 0227-S, Stop 1524, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20250-1500. Telephone: 202-720-1928. FAX: 202-690-2268. E-mail: CDotson@rus.usda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Rural Utilities Service (RUS) hereby announces the interest rates on advances made during the fourth calendar quarter of 1998 for municipal rate electric loans. RUS regulations at 7 CFR 1714.4 state that each advance of funds on a municipal rate loan shall bear interest at a single rate for each interest rate term. Pursuant to 7 CFR 1714.5, the interest rates on these advances are based on indexes published in the "Bond Buyer" for the four weeks prior to the third Friday of the last month before the beginning of the quarter. The rate for interest rate terms of 20 years or longer is the average of the 20 year rates published in the Bond Buyer in the four weeks specified in 7 CFR 1714.5(d). The rate for terms of less than 20 years is the average of the rates published in the Bond Buyer for the same four weeks in the table of "Municipal Market Data—General Obligation Yields" or the successor to this table. No interest rate may exceed the interest rate for Water and Waste Disposal loans.

The table of Municipal Market Data includes only rates for securities maturing in 1998 and at 5 year intervals thereafter. The rates published by RUS reflect the average rates for the years shown in the Municipal Market Data table. Rates for interest rate terms ending in intervening years are a linear interpolation based on average of the rates published in the Bond Buyer. All rates are adjusted to the nearest one eighth of one percent (0.125 percent) as required under 7 CFR 1714.5(a). The market interest rate on Water and Waste Disposal loans for this quarter is 5.000 percent.

In accordance with 7 CFR 1714.5, the interest rates are established as shown in the following table for all interest rate terms that begin at any time during the fourth calendar quarter of 1998.

Interest rate term ends in (year)	RUS rate (0.000 percent)
2019 or later	5.000

Interest rate term ends in (year)	RUS rate (0.000 percent)
2018	5.000
2017	5.000
2016	5.000
2015	4.875
2014	4.875
2013	4.875
2012	4.750
2011	4.625
2010	4.625
2009	4.500
2008	4.375
2007	4.375
2006	4.375
2005	4.250
2004	4.250
2003	4.250
2002	4.125
2001	3.875
2000	3.750
1999	3.500

Dated: September 8, 1998.

Christopher A. McLean,
Acting Administrator, Rural Utilities Service.
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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

Antidumping or Countervailing Duty Order, Finding, or Suspended Investigation; Opportunity To Request Administrative Review

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

ACTION: Notice of opportunity to request administrative review of antidumping or countervailing duty order, finding, or suspended investigation.

Background

Each year during the anniversary month of the publication of an antidumping or countervailing duty order, finding, or suspension of investigation, an interested party, as defined in section 771(9) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, may request, in accordance with section 351.213 of the Department of Commerce (the Department) Regulations (19 CFR 351.213 (1997)), that the Department conduct an administrative review of that antidumping or countervailing duty order, finding, or suspended of investigation.

Opportunity To Request a Review

Not later than the last day of September, interested parties may request administrative review of the following orders, findings, or suspended

investigations, with anniversary dates in September for the following periods:

	Period
Antidumping Duty Proceedings	
Argentina: Silicon Metal, A-357-803	9/1/97-8/31/98
Canada:	
Steel Jacks, A-122-006	9/1/97-8/31/98
New Steel Rail, Except Light Rail, A-122-804	9/1/97-8/31/98
Germany: Newspaper Printing Presses, A-428-821	9/1/97-8/31/98
Japan: Newspaper Printing Presses, A-588-837	9/1/97-8/31/98
Taiwan: Chrome-Plated Lug Nuts, A-583-810	9/1/97-8/31/98
The People's Republic of China:	
CDIW Fittings & Glands, A-570-820	9/1/97-8/31/98
Freshwater Crawfish Tail Meat, A-570-848	3/26/97-8/31/98
Greige Polyester/Cotton Printcloth, A-570-101	9/1/97-8/31/98
Chrome-Plated Lug Nuts, A-570-808	9/1/97-8/31/98
Countervailing Duty Proceedings	
Canada: New Steel Rail, Except Light Rail, C-122-805	1/1/97-12/31/97
Suspension Agreements	
None	

In accordance with section 351.213 of the regulations, an interested party as defined by section 771(9) of the Act may request in writing that the Secretary conduct an administrative review. In revisions to its regulations, the Department changed its requirements for requesting reviews for countervailing duty orders. Pursuant to 771(9) of the Act, an interested party must specify the individual producers or exporters covered by the order or suspension agreement for which they are requesting a review (Department of Commerce Regulations, 62 FR 27295, 27494 (May 19, 1997)). Therefore, for both antidumping and countervailing duty reviews, the interested party must specify for which individual producers or exporters covered by an antidumping finding or an antidumping or countervailing duty order it is requesting a review, and the requesting party must state why it desires the Secretary to review those particular producers or exporters. If the interested party intends for the Secretary to review sales of merchandise by an exporter (or a producer if that producer also exports merchandise from other suppliers) which were produced in more than one country of origin and each country of origin is subject to a separate order, then the interested party must state specifically, on an order-by-order basis, which exporter(s) the request is intended to cover.

Seven copies of the request should be submitted to the Assistant Secretary for Import Administration, International

Trade Administration, Room 1870, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street & Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20230. The Department also asks parties to serve a copy of their requests to the Office of Antidumping/Countervailing Enforcement, Attention: Sheila Forbes, in room 3065 of the main Commerce Building. Further, in accordance with section 351.303(f)(1)(i) of the regulations, a copy of each request must be served on every party on the Department's service list.

The Department will publish in the **Federal Register** a notice of "Initiation of Administrative Review of Antidumping or Countervailing Duty Order, Finding, or Suspended Investigation" for requests received by the last day of September. If the Department does not receive, by the last day of September, a request for review of entries covered by an order, finding, or suspended investigation listed in this notice and for the period identified above, the Department will instruct the Customs Service to assess antidumping or countervailing duties on those entries at a rate equal to the cash deposit of (or bond for) estimated antidumping or countervailing duties required on those entries at the time of entry, or withdrawal from warehouse, for consumption and to continue to collect the cash deposit previously ordered.

This notice is not required by statute but is published as a service to the international trading community.

Dated: August 28, 1998.

Maria Harris Tildon,
Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
International Trade Administration

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Brass Sheet and Strip From the Netherlands: Final Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review

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

ACTION: Notice of final results of antidumping duty administrative review.

SUMMARY: On May 11, 1998, the Department of Commerce (the Department) published the preliminary results of the administrative review of the antidumping duty order on brass sheet and strip from the Netherlands (63 FR 75821). This review covers sales to the United States by one manufacturer/exporter, Outokumpu Copper Strip B.V. (OBV), and its U.S. affiliate, Outokumpu Copper (USA), Inc., of the subject