

Dated: October 18, 2000.

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Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

AGENCY: U.S. Census Bureau.

DOC has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. chapter 35).

Title: Advance Monthly Retail Sales Survey.

Form Number(s): SM-44(00)A, SM-44(00)AS, SM-44(00)AE, SM-72(00)A. *Agency Approval Number:* 0607-0104.

Type of Request: Revision of a currently approved collection.

Burden: 4,500 hours.

Number of Respondents: 4,500.

Avg Hours Per Response: 5 minutes.

Needs and Uses: The Advance Monthly Retail Sales Survey (MARTS) provides an early indication of current retail sales activity at the United States level. Policymakers such as the Federal Reserve Board need to have the most timely estimates in order to anticipate economic trends and act accordingly. The Bureau of Economic Analysis (BEA), the Council of Economic Advisors (CEA), and other government agencies and businesses use the data to

formulate economic policy and make decisions. These estimates have a high BEA priority because of their timeliness. There would be approximately a month delay in the availability of these data if this survey were not conducted. Data are collected monthly from small, medium, and large size businesses, selected using a stratified random sampling procedure. The MARTS sample is re-selected periodically, generally at two year intervals. Small and medium-size retailers are requested to participate for those two years, after which they are replaced with new panel members. Smaller firms have less of a chance for selection due to our sampling procedure. We are increasing the sample size from 4,100 to 4,500 to improve the quality of the estimates.

This request is for the clearance of four similar report forms SM-44(00)A; SM-44(00)AE; SM-44(00)AS & SM-72(00)A which will be replacing the form B-104 previously used to collect data in this survey on the Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) basis. The new forms will enable us to collect information on the North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) basis. All forms request similar data items but a variety of forms is needed to either address collecting E-commerce sales or the firm's specific kind-of-business.

Affected Public: Businesses or other for-profit organizations.

Frequency: Monthly.

Respondent's Obligation: Voluntary.

Legal Authority: Title 13 U.S.C.,

Section 182.

OMB Desk Officer: Susan Schechter, (202) 395-5103.

Copies of the above information collection proposal can be obtained by calling or writing Madeleine Clayton, Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, (202) 482-3129, Department of Commerce, room 6086, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230 (or via the Internet at mclayton@doc.gov).

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to Susan Schechter, OMB Desk Officer, room 10201, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503.

Dated: October 20, 2000.

Madeleine Clayton,

Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Economic Development Administration

Notice of Petitions by Producing Firms for Determination of Eligibility To Apply for Trade Adjustment Assistance

AGENCY: Economic Development Administration (EDA), Commerce.

ACTION: To give firms an opportunity to comment.

Petitions have been accepted for filing on the dates indicated from the firms listed below.

LIST OF PETITION ACTION BY TRADE ADJUSTMENT ASSISTANCE FOR PERIOD AUGUST 16, 2000-SEPTEMBER 22, 2000

| Firm name | Address | Date petition accepted | Product |
|---|---|------------------------|---|
| Compol, Inc | 415 Campbell Mill Road, Mason, NH 03048 | 28-Sep-2000 | Special purpose radio receivers utilizing sub frequencies for use of targeted segments of the general public. |
| BGF Industries Inc | 3802 Robert Porcher Way, Greensboro, NC 27410. | 28-Sep-2000 | Fiberglass fabric for the electronics, automotive, aerospace and marine industries. |
| Nelson-Whittaker, Ltd. dba, Central Specialties, Ltd. | 220-D Exchange Drive, Crystal Lake, IL 60014. | 28-Sep-2000 | Metal stands for trays or luggage. |
| Aneco Trousers Corporation | 713 Linden Avenue, Hanover, PA 17331 ... | 28-Sep-2000 | Men's trousers of wood and wool blend material. |
| Datatest, Inc | 6850 Hibbs Lane, Levittown, PA 19057 | 28-Sep-2000 | Instruments for measuring variables of liquids or gases. |
| Cozzoli Machine Company .. | 401 East Third Street, Plainfield, NJ 07060 | 28-Sep-2000 | Custom filling machinery and systems. |
| Taos Drum Company | 3956 Hwy 68, Ranchos de Taos, Taos, NM 87557. | 29-Sep-2000 | Native drums. |
| Superior Gearbox Co., Inc ... | 803 West Hwy. 32, Stockton, MO 65785 ... | 02-Oct-2000 | Right-angle gearboxes and pump drives. |
| Santa Fe Furniture Co. dba, Taos Furniture Co. | 1807 Second Street, Santa Fe, NM 87505 | 02-Oct-2000 | Furniture of wood for bedrooms, dining rooms and entertainment centers. |
| E&S Equipment, Inc | 109 Skyland Drive, Norman, OK 73071 | 02-Oct-2000 | Valve parts. |
| Electron Corporation (The) ... | 5101 S. Rio Grande Street, Littleton, CO 80120. | 02-Oct-2000 | Gray and ductile iron castings. |
| Sassco, Inc. dba Taku Smokeries, dba Taku Fisheries. | 550 S. Franklin Street, Juneau, AK 99801 | 02-Oct-2000 | Fresh and frozen seafood. |

LIST OF PETITION ACTION BY TRADE ADJUSTMENT ASSISTANCE FOR PERIOD AUGUST 16, 2000–SEPTEMBER 22, 2000—
Continued

| Firm name | Address | Date petition accepted | Product |
|--------------------------------|---|------------------------|--|
| Alexander & Baldwin, Inc | P.O. Box 266, Puunene, HI 96784 | 02–Oct–2000 | Sugar and molasses. |
| Garland Industries, Inc | One South Main Street, Coventry, RI 02816. | 03–Oct–2000 | Pens and mechanical pencils. |
| Infra-Red Technologies, Inc | 1201 Burlington Street, N. Kansas City, MO 64116. | 06–Oct–2000 | Gas catalytic and electric infrared heating equipment. |
| J.N. White Associates, Inc ... | 135 N. Center Street, Perry, NY 14530 | 06–Oct–2000 | Screen-print high quality pressure sensitive labels. |

The petitions were submitted pursuant to Section 251 of the Trade Act of 1974 (19 U.S.C. 2341). Consequently, the United States Department of Commerce has initiated separate investigations to determine whether increased imports into the United States of articles like or directly competitive with those produced by each firm contributed importantly to total or partial separation of the firm's workers, or threat thereof, and to a decrease in sales or production of each petitioning firm.

Any party having a substantial interest in the proceedings may request a public hearing on the matter. A request for a hearing must be received by Trade Adjustment Assistance, Room 7315, Economic Development Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, Washington, D.C. 20230, no later than the close of business of the earth calendar day following the publication of this notice.

The Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance official program number and title of the program under which these petitions are submitted is 11.313, Trade Adjustment Assistance.

Dated: October 17, 2000.

Anthony J. Meyer,

Coordinator, Trade Adjustment and Technical Assistance.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[A–122–601]

Brass Sheet and Strip From Canada: Notice of Recission of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review

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

ACTION: Notice of recission of antidumping duty administrative review.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 25, 2000.

SUMMARY: On February 28, 2000, the Department of Commerce (the Department) published in the **Federal Register** (65 FR 10466) a notice announcing the initiation of an administrative review of the antidumping duty order on brass sheet and strip from Canada, covering the period January 1, 1999 through December 31, 1999, and one manufacturer/exporter of the subject merchandise, Wolverine Tube (Canada), Inc. We are now rescinding this review as a result of the petitioners' withdrawal of their request for an administrative review.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Alexander Amdur, AD/CVD Enforcement, Group II, Office IV, Import Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230, telephone: (202) 482–5346.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

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 Uruguay Round Agreements Act. In addition, unless otherwise indicated, all citations to the Department's regulations are to the regulations at 19 CFR Part 351 (1999).

Background

On January 28, 2000, Olin Corporation, Outokumpu American Brass, Revere Copper Products, Inc., the International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers, the United Auto Workers (Local 2367) and the United Steelworkers of America (AFL–CIO/CLC) (collectively, petitioners), in accordance with 19 CFR 351.213(b), requested an administrative review of the antidumping duty order on brass

sheet and strip from Canada covering Wolverine Tube (Canada), Inc. On February 17, 2000, in accordance with 19 CFR 351.221(c)(1)(i), we initiated an administrative review of this order for the period January 1, 1999 through December 31, 1999 (65 FR 10466, February 28, 2000). On September 19, 2000, the petitioners withdrew their request for this review. Additionally, on October 2, 2000, Wolverine Tube (Canada), Inc. and Wolverine Ratcliffs Inc. informed the Department that they do not object to the termination of the current administrative review.

Recission of Review

The Department's regulations at 19 CFR 351.213(d)(1) provide that the Department will rescind an administrative review if the party that requested the review withdraws its request for review within 90 days of the date of publication of the notice of initiation of the requested review, or withdraws its request at a later date if the Department determines that it is reasonable to extend the time limit for withdrawing the request. The petitioners withdrew their request for review after the 90 day period. However, the Department has granted the request to rescind the review because the petitioners were the only party to request the review, and it is otherwise reasonable to rescind the review based on the petitioners' withdrawal of their request.

This determination is issued and published in accordance with section 751 of the Act (19 U.S.C. 1675) and 19 CFR 351.213(d)(4).

Dated: October 18, 2000.

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Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary, Import Administration.

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