

www.usitc.gov). The public record for this review may be viewed on the Commission's electronic docket (EDIS) at <http://edis.usitc.gov>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background. On January 4, 2005, the Commission determined that the domestic interested party group response to its notice of institution (69 FR 58952, October 1, 2004) of the subject five-year reviews was adequate and that the respondent interested parties responses were inadequate. The Commission did not find any other circumstances that would warrant conducting full reviews.¹ Accordingly, the Commission determined that it would conduct expedited reviews pursuant to section 751(c)(3) of the Act.²

Staff report. A staff report containing information concerning the subject matter of the reviews will be placed in the nonpublic record on May 3, 2005, and made available to persons on the Administrative Protective Order service list for these reviews. A public version will be issued thereafter, pursuant to section 207.62(d)(4) of the Commission's rules.

Written submissions. As provided in section 207.62(d) of the Commission's rules, interested parties that are parties to the reviews and that have provided individually adequate responses to the notice of institution,³ and any party other than an interested party to the reviews may file written comments with the Secretary on what determinations the Commission should reach in the reviews. Comments are due on or before May 10, 2005, and may not contain new factual information. Any person that is neither a party to the five-year reviews nor an interested party may submit a brief written statement (which shall not contain any new factual information) pertinent to the reviews by May 10, 2005. If comments contain business proprietary information (BPI), they must conform with the requirements of sections 201.6, 207.3, and 207.7 of the Commission's rules. The Commission's rules do not authorize filing of submissions with the Secretary by facsimile or electronic means, except to the extent permitted by section 201.8 of

the Commission's rules, as amended, 67 FR 68036 (November 8, 2002).

In accordance with sections 201.16(c) and 207.3 of the rules, each document filed by a party to the reviews must be served on all other parties to the reviews (as identified by either the public or BPI service list), and a certificate of service must be timely filed. The Secretary will not accept a document for filing without a certificate of service.

Determination. The Commission has determined to exercise its authority to extend the review period by up to 90 days pursuant to 19 U.S.C. 1675(c)(5)(B).

Authority: These reviews are being conducted under authority of title VII of the Tariff Act of 1930; this notice is published pursuant to section 207.62 of the Commission's rules.

Issued: February 9, 2005.

By order of the Commission.

Marilyn R. Abbott,

Secretary to the Commission.

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INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

[Investigation No. 332-466]

Advice Concerning Possible Modifications to the U.S. Generalized System of Preferences, 2004 Review

AGENCY: International Trade Commission.

ACTION: Institution of investigation and scheduling of hearing.

SUMMARY: Following receipt on February 7, 2005 of a request from the United States Trade Representative (USTR) under section 332(g) of the Tariff Act of 1930 (19 U.S.C. 1332 (g)), the Commission instituted investigation No. 332-466, Advice Concerning Possible Modifications to the U.S. Generalized System of Preferences, 2004 Review.

Background: As requested by the USTR, in accordance with sections 503(a)(1)(A), 503(e), and 131(a) of the Trade Act of 1974 (1974 Act), and under section 332(g) of the Tariff Act of 1930, the Commission will provide advice as to the probable economic effect on U.S. industries producing like or directly competitive articles and on consumers of the elimination of U.S. import duties for all beneficiary developing countries under the GSP for the following HTS subheadings: 0804.10.20, 0804.10.40, 0804.10.60, 0804.10.80, 2008.99.25, 5702.51.20, 5702.91.30, 5702.92.0010, 5702.99.1010, 5703.10.0020, 5703.20.10, 5703.30.0020, and 7320.10.60. In

providing its advice on these articles, the USTR asked that the Commission assume that the benefits of the GSP would not apply to imports that would be excluded from receiving such benefits by virtue of the competitive need limits specified in section 503(c)(2)(A) of the 1974 Act.

As requested by the USTR, pursuant to section 332(g) of the Tariff Act of 1930, the Commission will provide advice as to the probable economic effect on U.S. industries producing like or directly competitive articles and on consumers of the removal of Russia from eligibility for duty-free treatment under the GSP for HTS subheading 3904.61.00.

As requested under section 332(g) of the Tariff Act of 1930 and in accordance with section 503(d)(1)(A) of the 1974 Act, the Commission will provide advice on whether any industry in the United States is likely to be adversely affected by a waiver of the competitive need limits specified in section 503(c)(2)(A) of the 1974 Act for the Philippines for HTS subheading 3823.19.20; for Argentina for HTS subheadings 4107.19.50 and 4107.92.80; and for Turkey for HTS subheading 6802.91.25. With respect to the competitive need limit in section 503(c)(2)(A)(i)(I) of the 1974 Act, the Commission, as requested, will use the dollar value limit of \$115,000,000.

As requested by the USTR, the Commission will seek to provide its advice not later than May 9, 2005.

DATES: *Effective Date:* February 9, 2005.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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The above persons are in the Commission's Office of Industries. For information on legal aspects of the investigation, contact William Gearhart of the Commission's Office of the General Counsel at (202) 205-3091 or william.gearhart@usitc.gov.

Public Hearing: A public hearing in connection with this investigation is scheduled to begin at 9:30 a.m. on March 23, 2005, at the United States International Trade Commission Building, 500 E Street, SW., Washington, DC. All persons have the right to appear by counsel or in person, to present information, and to be heard. Persons wishing to appear at the public hearing should file a letter with the Secretary, United States International Trade Commission, 500 E St., SW., Washington, DC 20436, not later than the close of business (5:15 p.m.) on

¹ A record of the Commissioners' votes, the Commission's statement on adequacy, and any individual Commissioner's statements will be available from the Office of the Secretary and at the Commission's Web site.

² Vice Chairman Deanna Tanner Okun and Commissioner Daniel R. Pearson dissenting.

³ The Commission has found the responses submitted by Deeter Foundry, Inc.; East Jordan Iron Works, Inc.; LeBaron Foundry, Inc.; Municipal Castings, Inc.; Neenah Foundry Co.; Tyler Pipe Co.; and U.S. Foundry & Mfg. Corp. to be individually adequate. Comments from other interested parties will not be accepted (*see* 19 CFR 207.62(d)(2)).

March 4, 2005, in accordance with the requirements in the "Submissions" section below. In the event that no requests to appear at the hearing are received by the close of business on March 4, 2005, the hearing will be canceled. Any person interested in attending the hearing as an observer or non-participant may call the Secretary to the Commission ((202) 205-1816) after March 4, 2005 to determine whether the hearing will be held.

Written Submissions: In lieu of or in addition to participating in the hearing, interested parties are invited to submit written statements or briefs concerning these investigations. All written submissions, including requests to appear at the hearing, statements, and briefs, should be addressed to the Secretary, United States International Trade Commission, 500 E Street, SW., Washington, DC 20436. Any prehearing statements or briefs should be filed not later than 5:15 p.m., March 7, 2005; the deadline for filing posthearing statements or briefs is 5:15 p.m., March 30, 2005. All written submissions must conform with the provisions of section 201.8 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (19 CFR 201.8). Section 201.8 of the rules requires that a signed original (or a copy designated as an original) and fourteen (14) copies of each document be filed. In the event that confidential treatment of the document is requested, at least four (4) additional copies must be filed, in which the confidential information must be deleted (see the following paragraph for further information regarding confidential business information). The Commission's rules do not authorize filing submissions with the Secretary by facsimile or electronic means, except to the extent permitted by section 201.8 of the rules (see Handbook for Electronic Filing Procedures, ftp://ftp.usitc.gov/pub/reports/electronic_filing_handbook.pdf). Any submissions that contain confidential business information must also conform with the requirements of section 201.6 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (19 CFR 201.6). Section 201.6 of the rules requires that the cover of the document and the individual pages be clearly marked as to whether they are the "confidential" or "nonconfidential" version, and that the confidential business information be clearly identified by means of brackets. All written submissions, except for confidential business information, will be made available in the Office of the Secretary to the Commission for inspection by interested parties.

The Commission may include some or all of the confidential business

information submitted in the course of these investigations in the report it sends to the USTR and the President. As requested by the USTR, the Commission will publish a public version of the report. However, in the public version, the Commission will not publish confidential business information in a manner that would reveal the operations of the firm supplying the information.

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Secretary to the Commission.

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INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

Index and Description of Major Information Systems and Availability of Records

AGENCY: International Trade Commission.

ACTION: Notice announcing availability of public information.

SUMMARY: The United States International Trade Commission (USITC or Commission) provides notice of its index and description of major information systems and availability of its records.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Marilyn R. Abbott ((202) 205-2000), Secretary, U.S. International Trade Commission, 500 E Street, SW., Washington, DC 20436. Hearing-impaired persons can obtain information on this matter by contacting the Commission's TDD terminal on (202) 205-1810. Persons with mobility impairments who will need special assistance in gaining access to the Commission and persons seeking information on the Commission, or making submittals or requests, and seeking decisions, may contact the Office of the Secretary at (202) 205-2000.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Commission makes agency records available to the public in a number of ways: *Electronic Document Information System (II)*. This system provides Internet access to public documents filed with the Office of the Secretary. Docketing information for USITC investigations instituted since 1996 is available electronically by accessing the

USITC Internet site at "<http://www.usitc.gov>" or directly at "<http://edis.usitc.gov>."

FOIA. Commission records may also be requested under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) (5 U.S.C. 552). These requests are filed with the Secretary at 500 E Street, SW., Washington, DC 20436, and shall indicate clearly in the request letter, and on the envelope if the request is in paper form, that it is a "Freedom of Information Act Request." A written request may be made either (1) in paper form, or (2) electronically by contacting the Commission at "<http://www.usitc.gov/secretary/foia/index.htm>." Commission rules for requesting information under FOIA are set out in 19 CFR 201.17-201.21.

Frequently requested FOIA-processed records can be accessed by following the "Privacy Statement, Accessibility Statement, Freedom of Information, and Other Web Site Policies and Important Links" link on the USITC Internet site at "<http://www.usitc.gov>."

Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States. The USITC maintains and publishes the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTS) pursuant to the omnibus Trade and Competitiveness Act of 1988. The Tariff Information Center, providing the current HTS and related materials, is available on-line at "<http://www.usitc.gov/tata/hts/index.html>."

Government Information Locator. The USITC has an entry in the Government Information Locator Service, at "http://www.access.gpo.gov/su_docs/gils/index.html."

Libraries. The Commission maintains two libraries, its National Library of International Trade (the Commission's main reference library), located on the 3rd floor of the Commission building, and a law library, located on the 6th floor. Both are open to the public during normal business hours of 8:45 a.m. to 5:15 p.m. The libraries contain, among other things, complete sets of Commission reports. To determine whether the respective libraries have the information sought, persons seeking information may call the main library at (202) 205-2630, or the law library at (202) 205-3287.

Public Reading Room. The Commission's docket files in the Office of the Secretary contain the submissions made in all Commission investigations. The files are available for inspection in the Public Reading Room in the Office of the Secretary. The Public Reading Room is located on the 1st floor of the Commission building. Persons having questions regarding availability of records may call the Dockets staff at