

Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review, 73 FR 13532 (March 13, 2008). The cash deposit will be altered, if warranted, pursuant only to the final results of this review.

This notice of initiation is in accordance with section 751(b)(1) of the Act, 19 CFR 351.216(b) and (d), and 19 CFR 351.221(b)(1).

Dated: November 6, 2008.

David M. Spooner,
Assistant Secretary for Import
Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[A-580-816]

Corrosion-Resistant Carbon Steel Flat Products From the Republic of Korea: Extension of Time Limits for the Final Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review

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

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Cindy Robinson at (202) 482-3797, AD/CVD Operations, Office 3, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Ave, NW, Washington, DC 20230.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On September 25, 2007, the U.S. Department of Commerce ("Department") published a notice of initiation of the administrative review of the antidumping duty order on corrosion-resistant carbon steel flat products from Korea, covering the period August 1, 2006, to July 31, 2007. See *Initiation of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Administrative Reviews and Requests for Revocation in Part*, 72 FR 54428 (September 25, 2007). On September 9, 2008, the Department published the preliminary results of this review. See *Certain Corrosion-Resistant Carbon Steel Flat Products From the Republic of Korea: Notice of Preliminary Results of the Antidumping Duty Administrative Review*, 73 FR 52267 (September 9, 2008). The final results of this review are currently due no later than January 7, 2009.

Extension of Time Limit of Preliminary Results

Section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (AAct@), requires

the Department to issue the final results of a review within 120 days after the date on which the preliminary results are published. However, if it is not practicable to complete the review within that time period, section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act allows the Department to extend the time limit for the final results to a maximum of 180 days. See also 19 CFR 351.213(h)(2).

We determine that it is not practicable to complete the final results of this review within the original time limit because several technical issues have arisen. These issues include: (1) Whether to add a separate field to differentiate laminated products from painted products based on the physical, cost, and price differences of the two, and therefore to modify the Department's model-match methodology; (2) whether to recalculate the general and administrative and financial ratios; and (3) whether to exclude gains and losses on currency forward contracts. These issues require additional analyses of certain information. Therefore, the Department is fully extending the final results. The final results are now due not later than March 8, 2009. As this day falls on a Sunday, the final results are due March 9, 2009. See *Notice of Clarification: Application of "Next Business Day" Rule for Administrative Determination Deadlines Pursuant of the Tariff Act of 1930, As Amended*, 70 FR 24533 (May 10, 2005).

This extension is in accordance with section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.213(h)(2).

Dated: November 4, 2008.

Stephen J. Claeys,
Deputy Assistant Secretary for Import
Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

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Purified Carboxymethylcellulose From the Netherlands: Partial Rescission of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review

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

SUMMARY: In response to requests from respondent Akzo Nobel Functional Chemicals, B.V. ("Akzo Nobel") and Aqualon Company ("Petitioner"), the Department of Commerce ("Department") initiated an

administrative review of the antidumping duty order on purified carboxymethylcellulose ("CMC") from the Netherlands. See *Initiation of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Administrative Reviews*, 73 FR 50308 (August 26, 2008) ("Initiation Notice"). This administrative review covers the period July 1, 2007, through June 30, 2008. Due to the withdrawal of the requests for the administrative review by both parties, we are rescinding this review with respect to Akzo Nobel.

EFFECTIVE DATE: November 12, 2008.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Stephen Bailey or Angelica Mendoza, AD/CVD Operations, Office 7, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482-0193 or (202) 482-3019, respectively.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

The Department published an antidumping duty order on purified CMC from the Netherlands on July 11, 2005. See *Notice of Antidumping Duty Orders: Purified Carboxymethylcellulose from Finland, Mexico, the Netherlands and Sweden*, 70 FR 39734 (July 11, 2005). The Department published a notice of "Opportunity to Request an Administrative Review" of the antidumping duty order for the period July 1, 2007, through June 30, 2008, on July 11, 2008. See *Antidumping or Countervailing Duty Order, Finding, or Suspended Investigation; Opportunity To Request Administrative Review*, 73 FR 39948 (July 11, 2008). On July 14, 2008, Petitioner timely requested that the Department conduct an administrative review of sales of merchandise by Akzo Nobel and CP Kelco B.V. covered by the order. On July 31, 2008, Akzo Nobel timely requested that the Department conduct an administrative review of its sales of merchandise covered by the order. In response to both requests, the Department initiated the antidumping duty administrative review on purified CMC from the Netherlands on August 26, 2008. See *Initiation Notice*.

Akzo Nobel timely withdrew its request for review on October 9, 2008. Petitioner timely withdrew its request for review of sales by Akzo Nobel on October 10, 2008. See 19 CFR 351.213(d)(1).

Partial Rescission of the Administrative Review

Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.213(d)(1), the Secretary will rescind an administrative

review, in whole or in part, if a party that requested a review withdraws the request within 90 days of the date of publication of notice of initiation of the requested review. The Secretary may extend this time limit if the Secretary decides that it is reasonable to do so. See 19 CFR 351.213(d)(1). Both Petitioner and Akzo Nobel withdrew their requests for review with respect to the latter within the 90-day time limit. Therefore, in response to the withdrawal of requests for administrative reviews by both Akzo Nobel and Petitioner, the Department hereby rescinds the administrative review of the antidumping duty order on purified CMC from the Netherlands for the period July 1, 2007, through June 30, 2008 for Akzo Nobel.

Assessment Rates

The Department intends to issue assessment instructions to the U.S. Customs and Border Protection ("CBP") 15 days after the date of publication of this partial rescission of administrative review. The Department will direct CBP to assess antidumping duties for Akzo Nobel at the cash deposit rate in effect on the date of entry for entries during the period July 1, 2007, through June 30, 2008.

Notification to Importers

This notice serves as a final reminder to importers for whom this review is being rescinded, of their responsibility under 19 CFR 351.402(f) to file a certificate regarding 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 Secretary's presumption that reimbursement of antidumping duties occurred and the subsequent assessment of double antidumping duties.

Notification Regarding Administrative Protective Orders

This notice serves as a reminder to parties subject to administrative protective order ("APO") of their responsibility concerning the disposition of proprietary information disclosed under APO in accordance with 19 CFR 351.305(a)(3). Timely written notification of the return or destruction of APO materials or conversion to judicial protective order is hereby requested. Failure to comply with the regulations and terms of an APO is a sanctionable violation.

This notice is published in accordance with sections 751(a)(1) and 777(i)(1) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, and 19 CFR 351.213(d)(4).

Dated: November 4, 2008.

Stephen J. Claeys,

Deputy Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Institute of Standards and Technology

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Announcing DRAFT Federal Information Processing Standard (FIPS) Publication 186-3, Digital Signature Standard (DSS) and Request for Comments

AGENCY: National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST), Commerce Department.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a second public review and comment period for Draft Federal Information Processing Standard 186-3, Digital Signature Standard. The draft standard, designated "Draft FIPS 186-3," is proposed to revise and supersede FIPS 186-2. Draft FIPS 186-3 is a revision of FIPS 186-2, the Digital Signature Standard. The Draft FIPS specifies three techniques for the generation and verification of digital signatures that can be used for the protection of data: the Digital Signature Algorithm (DSA), the Elliptic Curve Digital Signature Algorithm (ECDSA) and the Rivest-Shamir-Adelman (RSA) algorithm. Although all three of these algorithms were approved in FIPS 186-2, this revision increases the key sizes allowed for DSA, provides additional requirements for the use of RSA and ECDSA, and includes requirements for obtaining the assurances necessary for valid digital signatures. FIPS 186-2 contained specifications for random number generators (RNGs); this revision does not include such specifications, but refers to NIST Special Publication (SP) 800-90 for obtaining random numbers.

Prior to the submission of this proposed standard to the Secretary of Commerce for review and approval, it is essential that consideration is given to the needs and views of the public, users, the information technology industry, and Federal, State and local government organizations. The purpose of this notice is to solicit such views.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before December 12, 2008.

ADDRESSES: Written comments may be sent to: Chief, Computer Security

Division, Information Technology Laboratory, Attention: Comments on Draft FIPS 186-3, 100 Bureau Drive—Stop 8930, National Institute of Standards and Technology, Gaithersburg, MD 20899-8930. Electronic comments may also be sent to: ebarker@nist.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Elaine Barker, (301) 975-2911, National Institute of Standards and Technology, 100 Bureau Drive, STOP 8930, Gaithersburg, MD 20899-8930, *e-mail:* elaine.barker@nist.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: FIPS 186, first published in 1994, specified a digital signature algorithm (DSA) to generate and verify digital signatures. Later revisions (FIPS 186-1 and FIPS 186-2, adopted in 1998 and 1999, respectively) adopted two additional algorithms specified in American National Standards (ANS) X9.31 (Digital Signatures Using Reversible Public Key Cryptography for the Financial Services Industry (rDSA)), and X9.62 (The Elliptic Curve Digital Signature Algorithm (ECDSA)).

The original DSA algorithm, as specified in FIPS 186, 186-1 and 186-2, allows key sizes of 512 to 1024 bits. With advances in technology, it is prudent to consider larger key sizes. Draft FIPS 186-3 allows the use of 1024, 2048 and 3072-bit keys. Other requirements have also been added concerning the use of ANS X9.31 and ANS X9.62. In addition, the use of the RSA algorithm as specified in Public Key Cryptography Standard (PKCS) #1 (RSA Cryptography Standard) is allowed.

A request for public comments was published in the **Federal Register** on March 13, 2006 (71 FR 12678). After receiving comments in response to this notice, NIST incorporated the comments and posted a revised version of the FIPS on its Web site. NIST received some additional comments in response to this posting. In all, a total of 15 individuals and organizations provided comments (two U.S. government agencies, a foreign government agency, one university, eight private organizations, and three from individuals). The following is a summary of the comments received and NIST's responses to them:

Comment: Seven commenters suggested a number of editorial changes.

Response: NIST made the appropriate editorial changes, which included correcting typographical errors; spelling, format and font size changes; reference restrictions and updates, where appropriate; minor word changes and clarifications.