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Notice of Lifting of Suspension Date:

TO: { Directors Of Field Operations, Port Directors }

FROM: { Director AD/CVD & Revenue Policy & Programs }

RE: COUNTERVAILING DUTY ORDER AND AMENDED FINAL DETERMINATION IN THE INVESTIGATION OF CERTAIN SEAMLESS CARBON AND ALLOY STEEL STANDARD, LINE, AND PRESSURE PIPE FROM THE PRC (C-570-957)

1. ON NOVEMBER 10, 2010, COMMERCE PUBLISHED IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER ITS COUNTERVAILING DUTY ORDER AND AMENDED FINAL DETERMINATION IN THE INVESTIGATION OF CERTAIN SEAMLESS CARBON AND ALLOY STEEL STANDARD, LINE, AND PRESSURE PIPE (SEAMLESS PIPE) FROM THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA (75 FR 69050).

2. THE SCOPE OF THE ORDER CONSISTS OF CERTAIN SEAMLESS CARBON AND ALLOY STEEL (OTHER THAN STAINLESS STEEL) PIPES AND REDRAW HOLLOW, LESS THAN OR EQUAL TO 16 INCHES (406.4 MM) IN OUTSIDE DIAMETER, REGARDLESS OF WALL-THICKNESS, MANUFACTURING PROCESS (E.G., HOT-FINISHED OR COLD-DRAWN), END FINISH (E.G., PLAIN END, BEVELED END, UPSET END, THREADED, OR THREADED AND COUPLED), OR SURFACE FINISH (E.G., BARE, LACQUERED OR COATED). REDRAW HOLLOW ARE ANY UNFINISHED CARBON OR ALLOY STEEL (OTHER THAN STAINLESS STEEL) PIPE OR "HOLLOW PROFILES" SUITABLE FOR COLD FINISHING OPERATIONS, SUCH AS COLD DRAWING, TO MEET THE AMERICAN SOCIETY FOR TESTING AND MATERIALS ("ASTM") OR AMERICAN PETROLEUM INSTITUTE ("API") SPECIFICATIONS REFERENCED BELOW, OR COMPARABLE SPECIFICATIONS. SPECIFICALLY INCLUDED WITHIN THE SCOPE ARE SEAMLESS CARBON AND ALLOY STEEL (OTHER THAN STAINLESS STEEL) STANDARD, LINE, AND PRESSURE PIPES PRODUCED TO THE ASTM A-53, ASTM A-106, ASTM A-333, ASTM A-334, ASTM A-589, ASTM A-795, ASTM A-1024, AND THE API 5L SPECIFICATIONS, OR COMPARABLE SPECIFICATIONS, AND MEETING THE PHYSICAL PARAMETERS DESCRIBED ABOVE, REGARDLESS OF APPLICATION, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THE EXCLUSION DISCUSSED BELOW.

SPECIFICALLY EXCLUDED FROM THE SCOPE OF THE ORDER ARE: (1) ALL PIPES MEETING AEROSPACE, HYDRAULIC, AND BEARING TUBING SPECIFICATIONS; (2) ALL PIPES MEETING THE CHEMICAL REQUIREMENTS OF ASTM A-335, WHETHER FINISHED OR UNFINISHED; AND (3) UNATTACHED COUPLINGS. ALSO EXCLUDED FROM THE

SCOPE OF THE ORDER ARE ALL MECHANICAL, BOILER, CONDENSER AND HEAT EXCHANGE TUBING, EXCEPT WHEN SUCH PRODUCTS CONFORM TO THE DIMENSIONAL REQUIREMENTS, I.E., OUTSIDE DIAMETER AND WALL THICKNESS OF ASTM A-53, ASTM A-106 OR API 5L SPECIFICATIONS.

THE MERCHANDISE COVERED BY THE ORDER IS CURRENTLY CLASSIFIED IN THE HARMONIZED TARIFF SCHEDULE OF THE UNITED STATES ("HTSUS") UNDER ITEM NUMBERS: 7304.19.1020, 7304.19.1030, 7304.19.1045, 7304.19.1060, 7304.19.5020, 7304.19.5050, 7304.31.6050, 7304.39.0016, 7304.39.0020, 7304.39.0024, 7304.39.0028, 7304.39.0032, 7304.39.0036, 7304.39.0040, 7304.39.0044, 7304.39.0048, 7304.39.0052, 7304.39.0056, 7304.39.0062, 7304.39.0068, 7304.39.0072, 7304.51.5005, 7304.51.5060, 7304.59.6000, 7304.59.8010, 7304.59.8015, 7304.59.8020, 7304.59.8025, 7304.59.8030, 7304.59.8035, 7304.59.8040, 7304.59.8045, 7304.59.8050, 7304.59.8055, 7304.59.8060, 7304.59.8065, AND 7304.59.8070.

ALTHOUGH THE HTSUS SUBHEADINGS ARE PROVIDED FOR CONVENIENCE AND CUSTOMS PURPOSES, OUR WRITTEN DESCRIPTION OF THE MERCHANDISE SUBJECT TO THIS SCOPE IS DISPOSITIVE.

3. FOR FURTHER REPORTING PURPOSES THIS CASE HAS BEEN ASSIGNED INVESTIGATION NUMBER C-570-957.

4. THE INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION (ITC) NOTIFIED THE COMMERCE DEPARTMENT THAT IMPORTS OF SEAMLESS PIPE FROM THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA THREATEN MATERIAL INJURY TO THE U.S. INDUSTRY. THE ITC DID NOT DETERMINE, BUT FOR THE SUSPENSION OF LIQUIDATION OF ENTRIES OF SEAMLESS PIPE FROM THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA, THE DOMESTIC INDUSTRY WOULD HAVE BEEN MATERIALLY INJURED. THEREFORE, COMMERCE WILL ISSUE SEPARATE INSTRUCTIONS TO U.S. CUSTOMS AND BORDER PROTECTION (CBP) TO TERMINATE SUSPENSION AND REFUND ANY CASH DEPOSIT AND RELEASE ANY BOND OR OTHER SECURITY OF SEAMLESS PIPE FROM THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA, FOR SHIPMENTS, ENTERED OR WITHDRAWN FROM WAREHOUSE, FOR CONSUMPTION PRIOR TO 11/10/2010, THE DATE OF PUBLICATION OF THE ITC'S FINAL DETERMINATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER (75 FR 69125).

5. FOR IMPORTS OF SEAMLESS PIPE FROM THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA, CBP SHALL SUSPEND LIQUIDATION OF SUCH SHIPMENTS ENTERED, OR WITHDRAWN FROM WAREHOUSE, FOR CONSUMPTION, ON OR AFTER 11/10/2010. EFFECTIVE 11/10/2010, CBP SHALL REQUIRE, FOR SUCH ENTRIES, A CASH DEPOSIT EQUAL TO THE SUBSIDY RATES SHOWN BELOW:

PRODUCER: TIANJIN PIPE (GROUP) CORP., TIANJIN PIPE IRON MANUFACTURING CO., LTD., TIANGUAN YUANTONG PIPE PRODUCT CO., LTD., TIANJIN PIPE INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC AND TRADING CO., LTD., AND TPCO CHARGING DEVELOPMENT CO., LTD.
EXPORTER: TIANJIN PIPE (GROUP) CORP., TIANJIN PIPE IRON MANUFACTURING CO., LTD., TIANGUAN YUANTONG PIPE PRODUCT CO., LTD., TIANJIN PIPE INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC AND TRADING CO., LTD., AND TPCO CHARGING DEVELOPMENT CO., LTD.
CASE NUMBER: C-570-957-001
SUBSIDY RATE: 13.66 PERCENT

PRODUCER: HENGYANG STEEL TUBE GROUP INTERNATIONAL TRADING, INC., HENGYANG VALIN STEEL TUBE CO., LTD., HENGYANG VALIN MPM TUBE CO., LTD., XIGANG SEAMLESS STEEL TUBE CO., LTD., WUXI SEAMLESS SPECIAL PIPE CO., LTD., WUXI RESOURCES STEEL MAKING CO., LTD., JIANGSU XIGANG GROUP CO., LTD., HUNAN VALIN XIANGTAN IRON & STEEL CO., LTD., WUXI SIFANG STEEL TUBE CO., LTD., HUNAN VALIN STEEL CO., LTD., AND HUNAN VALIN IRON & STEEL GROUP CO., LTD.
EXPORTER: HENGYANG STEEL TUBE GROUP INTERNATIONAL TRADING, INC., HENGYANG VALIN STEEL TUBE CO., LTD., HENGYANG VALIN MPM TUBE CO., LTD., XIGANG SEAMLESS STEEL TUBE CO., LTD., WUXI SEAMLESS SPECIAL PIPE CO., LTD., WUXI RESOURCES STEEL MAKING CO., LTD., JIANGSU XIGANG GROUP CO., LTD., HUNAN VALIN XIANGTAN IRON & STEEL CO., LTD., WUXI SIFANG STEEL TUBE CO., LTD., HUNAN VALIN STEEL CO., LTD., AND HUNAN VALIN IRON & STEEL GROUP CO., LTD.
CASE NUMBER: C-570-957-002
SUBSIDY RATE: 56.67 PERCENT

PRODUCER: ALL OTHERS
EXPORTER: ALL OTHERS
CASE NUMBER: C-570-957-000
SUBSIDY RATE: 35.17 PERCENT

6. IF THERE ARE ANY QUESTIONS REGARDING THIS MATTER BY CBP OFFICERS, THE IMPORTING PUBLIC OR INTERESTED PARTIES, PLEASE CONTACT DAVINA HASHMI OR RON TRENTHAM AT THE OFFICE OF AD/CVD OPERATIONS, IMPORT ADMINISTRATION, INTERNATIONAL TRADE ADMINISTRATION, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, AT (202) 482-0984 OR (202) 482-3577, RESPECTIVELY (GENERATED BY O1:MJ).

7. THERE ARE NO RESTRICTIONS ON THE RELEASE OF THIS INFORMATION.

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Company Details

*Party Indicator Value:

I = Importer, M = Manufacturer, E = Exporter, S = Sold To Party