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

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TO: DIRECTORS OF FIELD OPERATIONS
PORT DIRECTORS

FROM: DIRECTOR, SPECIAL ENFORCEMENT

RE: PRELIMINARY DETERMINATION IN THE ANTIDUMPING
INVESTIGATION OF DEFROST TIMERS FROM JAPAN

1. THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE PUBLISHED IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER ON AUGUST 24, 1993, ITS PRELIMINARY DETERMINATION OF SALES AT LESS THAN FAIR VALUE IN THE ANTIDUMPING DUTY INVESTIGATION OF DEFROST TIMERS FROM JAPAN.

2. FOR PURPOSES OF THIS INVESTIGATION, DEFROST TIMERS ARE ELECTROMECHANICAL AND ELECTRONIC DEFROST TIMERS FOR RESIDENTIAL REFRIGERATORS. ELECTRO-MECHANICAL DEFROST TIMERS ARE COMPRISED OF SEVERAL COMPONENTS THAT AKE OR

BREAK ELECTRIC CIRCUITS BY ACTIVATING TWO SETS OF ELECTRICAL CONTACT POINTS--ONE TO DISCONNECT THE COMPRESSOR (THE COOLING MECHANISM) AND THE OTHER TO CONNECT THE DEFROST HEATER. THE ARTICLES ARE EQUIPPED WITH A SYNCHRONOUS OR SUBSYNCHRONOUS MOTOR.

THE DEFROST TIMER DISCONNECTS THE COMPRESSOR BY OPENING AN ELECTRICAL CIRCUIT AFTER THE COMPRESSOR ITSELF HAS RUN FOR A LENGTH OF TIME PREDETERMINED BY THE MANUFACTURER DEPENDING ON THE

SPECIFICATIONS OF THE MODEL. UPON COMPLETION OF THE COMPRESSOR RUN CYCLE (AND SIMULTANEOUSLY WITH THE COMPRESSOR'S DISCONNECTION) THE DEFROST HEATER IS ACTIVATED AND RUNS FOR A PRESET TIME (AGAIN DEPENDING ON THE MODEL), AS PREDETERMINED BY THE MANUFACTURER.

ELECTRONIC DEFROST TIMERS HAVE A SIMILAR FUNCTION BUT OPERATE WITH GREATER EFFICIENCY. THIS IS BECAUSE A MICROPROCESSOR IN THE DEVICE USES INFORMATION GATHERED DURING

THE DEFROST CYCLE TO ADJUST THE COMPRESSOR RUN TIME. THIS SYSTEM DEFROSTS ONLY WHEN NEEDED, THEREBY IMPROVING THE EFFICIENCY OF THE REFRIGERATOR.

THE DEFROST TIMERS SUBJECT TO THIS INVESTIGATION ARE CURRENTLY CLASSIFIABLE UNDER SUBHEADING 9107.00.4000 OF THE HARMONIZED TARIFF SCHEDULE OF THE UNITED STATES (HTSUS). THE HTSUS SUBHEADINGS ARE PROVIDED FOR CONVENIENCE AND CUSTOMS PURPOSES. THE WRITTEN DESCRIPTION OF THE SCOPE OF THIS INVESTIGATION IS DISPOSITIVE.

3. FOR FURTHER REPORTING PURPOSES THIS CASE HAS BEEN ASSIGNED INVESTIGATION NUMBER A-588-829. THIS NUMBER SHOULD BE USED WHEN DEALING WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE ONLY. THE CUSTOMS IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (BELOW) IS TO BE USED FOR CUSTOMS IDENTIFICATION PURPOSES.

4. THE U.S. CUSTOMS SERVICE SHALL SUSPEND LIQUIDATION OF

EXPORTS OF DEFROST FROM JAPAN FROM THE FOLLOWING MANUFACTURERS, PRODUCERS, AND EXPORTERS THAT ARE ENTERED OR WITHDRAWN FROM WAREHOUSE, FOR CONSUMPTION ON OR AFTER AUGUST 24, 1993, AND SHALL REQUIRE A CASH DEPOSIT OR POST OF A BOND EQUAL TO 69.46 PERCENT. THIS SUSPENSION OF LIQUIDATION WILL REMAIN IN EFFECT UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE. THE ESTIMATED DUMPING MARGINS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

MANUFACTURER/PRODUCER EXPORTER	ID NUMBER	MARGIN PERCENTAGE
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SANKYO SEIKI MANUFACTURING CO. LTD	A-588-829-001	69.46%
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4. IF THERE ARE ANY QUESTIONS REGARDING THIS MATTER BY CUSTOMS OFFICERS, THEY SHOULD BE REFERRED TO THE IMPORT SPECIALIST DIVISION, OTHER AGENCY BRANCH, CUSTOMS HEADQUARTERS OR BY E-MAIL ATTRIBUTE "HQ OAB." THE IMPORTING PUBLIC AND OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES SHOULD CONTACT BILL CROW OF THE OFFICE OF ANTIDUMPING INVESTIGATIONS, IMPORT ADMINISTRATION, INTERNATIONAL TRADE ADMINISTRATION, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, TELEPHONE (202) 482-0116.

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

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DIVISION IS NOW SHOWN AS DIRECTOR, SPECIAL ENFORCEMENT. THE
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