

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[A-570-806]

Silicon Metal from the People's Republic of China; Final Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review

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

ACTION: Notice of final results of antidumping duty administrative review; silicon metal from the People's Republic of China.

SUMMARY: On March 10, 1998, the Department of Commerce (the Department) published the preliminary results of its administrative review of the antidumping duty order on silicon metal from the People's Republic of China (PRC). The review covers the period June 1, 1996 through May 31, 1997.

We gave interested parties an opportunity to comment on our preliminary results. We received no comments and have not changed the results from those presented in the preliminary results of review.

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 14, 1998.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Gideon Katz or Maureen Flannery, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20230; telephone: (202) 482-4733.

Applicable Statute

Unless otherwise indicated, all citations to the statute are references to the provisions effective January 1, 1995, the effective date of the amendments made to the Tariff Act of 1930 (the Act) by the Uruguay Round Agreements Act. In addition, unless otherwise indicated, all citations to the Department's regulations are to the regulations as codified at 19 CFR part 353 (April 1, 1996).

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION:

Background

On March 10, 1998, the Department published in the **Federal Register** (63 FR 11654) the preliminary results of its administrative review of the antidumping duty order on silicon metal from the People's Republic of China. We did not receive any comments from interested parties. The Department has now completed the review in accordance with section 751 of the Act.

Scope of the Review

Imports covered by this review are shipments of silicon metal containing at least 96.00 but less than 99.99 percent of silicon by weight. Also covered by this review is silicon metal from the PRC containing between 89.00 and 96.00 percent silicon by weight but which contains a higher aluminum content than the silicon metal containing at least 96.00 percent but less than 99.99 percent silicon by weight. Silicon metal is currently provided for under subheadings 2804.69.10 and 2804.69.50 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule (HTS) as a chemical product, but is commonly referred to as a metal. Semiconductor-grade silicon (silicon metal containing by weight not less than 99.99 percent of silicon and provided for in subheading 2804.61.00 of the HTS) is not subject to this review. Although the HTS subheadings are provided for convenience and customs purposes, the written description of the merchandise is dispositive.

This review covers the period June 1, 1996 through May 31, 1997.

Final Results of the Review

For the reasons set out in the preliminary determination, we determine that the following dumping margin exists:

Manufacturer/ exporter	Time Period	Margin (percent)
PRC rate	6/1/96-5/31/97	139.49

The Department shall determine, and the Customs Service shall assess, antidumping duties on all appropriate entries. The Department will issue appraisal instructions directly to the Customs Service. Furthermore, the following deposit requirements will be effective upon publication of this notice of final results of review for all shipments of silicon metal from the PRC entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after the publication date, as provided by section 751(a)(1) of the Act: for all PRC exporters, the cash deposit rate will be the PRC-wide rate established in these final results of administrative review; and (2) the cash deposit rates for non-PRC exporters of subject merchandise from the PRC will be the rates applicable to the PRC supplier of that exporter. These deposit requirements, when imposed, shall remain in effect until publication of the final results of the next administrative review.

Notification to Interested Parties

This notice serves as a reminder to importers of their responsibility under section 353.26 of the Department's regulations to file a certificate regarding the 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.

This notice also 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 353.34(d). Timely written notification of return/destruction of APO materials or conversion to judicial protective order is hereby requested. Failure to comply with the regulations

and the terms of an APO is a sanctionable violation.

This administrative review and notice are in accordance with section 751(a)(1) of the Act (19 U.S.C. 1675(a)(1)) and section 353.22 of the Department's regulations.

Dated: June 27, 1998.

Richard W. Moreland,
Acting Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Institute of Standards and Technology

In Situ Burning of Oil Spills Workshop

AGENCY: National Institute of Standards and Technology, Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: The National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) is conducting the workshop on behalf of the Minerals Management Service (MMS), Department of the Interior. The goal of the workshop is to present the current state of knowledge for the *in situ* burning of spilled oil to decision makers from local, state and federal agencies, responders, environmentalists, academia, and the user community. Participants will prioritize research and information needs necessary to support decisions on the use of *in situ* burning as a response tool. Specific emphasis will be given to burning operations and environmental and human health concerns. Preprints of the technical papers will be available to attendees to facilitate their participation in panel discussions. After the workshop a proceedings will be published containing the technical papers and the research and information needs identified by the attendees.

DATES: The workshop will take place on Monday, November 2, 1998, through Wednesday, November 4, 1998 from 8:30 AM to 5 PM.

PLACE: The meeting will take place at the Double Tree Hotel, 300 Canal Street, New Orleans, LA 70130.

ADDRESSES: To register for the workshop, contact Ms. Lori Phillips, National Institute of Standards and Technology, Building 101, Room B116, Gaithersburg, MD 20899, telephone: (301) 975-4513; Fax: (301) 948-2067.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For technical questions, contact Ms. Nora H. Jason, telephone: (301) 975-6862; Fax: (301) 975-4052; e-mail: nora.jason@nist.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: A registration fee will be charged for attending the workshop. Participants are expected to make their own travel arrangements and accommodations.

Dated: July 8, 1998.

Robert E. Hebner,

Acting Deputy Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 070798D]

Endangered Species; Permits

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Issuance of Scientific Research Permit 1144.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that on June 23, 1998, NMFS issued Scientific Research Permit 1144 to Bruce D. Peery, Michael J. Bresette, and Jonathan C. Gorham, to take listed sea turtles for the purpose of scientific research subject to certain conditions set forth therein.

ADDRESSES: The application, permit, and related documents are available for review by appointment in the following offices:

Office of Protected Resources, F/PR3, NMFS, 1315 East-West Hwy., Room 13307, Silver Spring, MD 20910-3226 (301-713-1401); and Director, Southeast Region, NMFS, NOAA, 9721 Executive Center Drive, St. Petersburg, FL 33702-2432 (813-893-3141).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice was published on April 27, 1998 (63 FR 20638) that an application had been filed by Bruce D. Peery, Michael J. Bresette, and Jonathan C. Gorham (1144), to take listed sea turtles as authorized by the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (ESA) (16 U.S.C. 1531-1543) and NMFS regulations governing listed fish and wildlife permits (50 CFR parts 217-222).

The applicants requested a one-year scientific research permit to take listed sea turtles. Up to 75 green (*Chelonia mydas*) and 25 loggerhead (*Caretta caretta*) turtles will be taken in large mesh tangle nets for the purposes of stock assessment to characterize the sea turtles that utilize the southern Indian River Lagoon System, Florida. Captured turtles will be weighed, photographed, measured, tagged, and released. NMFS issued permit 1144 on June 23, 1998.

Issuance of this permit, as required by the ESA, was based on a finding that such permit: (1) Was applied for in good faith, (2) will not operate to the disadvantage of the listed species that are the subject of this permit, and (3) is consistent with the purposes and policies set forth in section 2 of the ESA.

Dated: July 8, 1998.

Patricia A. Montanio,

Deputy Director, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 070798C]

Endangered Species; Permits

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Receipt of applications for scientific research permits (1138, 1139, 1161, 1162, 1166, 1167) and for a modification to a scientific research/enhancement permit (1010).

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given of the following actions regarding permits for takes of endangered and threatened species for the purposes of scientific research and/or enhancement: NMFS has received permit applications from: Dr. Jennifer L. Nielsen of the Hopkins Marine Station, Stanford University in Pacific Grove, CA (1138), Wetlands Research Associates Inc. (WRAI) in San Rafael, CA (1139), the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) in Sacramento, CA (1161), Salmon Protection and Watershed Network (SPAWN) in Forest Knolls, CA (1162), Dr. Alice A. Rich of A.A. Rich and Associates (AARA) in San Anselmo, CA (1166), and Dr. Peter B. Moyle of the Department of Wildlife, Fish and Conservation Biology University of California, in Davis, CA (1167); and NMFS has received an application for a modification to an existing scientific research/enhancement permit from: Idaho Department of Fish and Game at Boise, ID (IDFG) (1010).

DATES: Written comments or requests for a public hearing on any of the applications must be received on or before August 13, 1998.

ADDRESSES: The applications and related documents are available for review in the following offices, by appointment:

For permit 1010: Protected Resources Division (PRD), F/NW03, 525 NE Oregon Street, Suite 500, Portland, OR 97232-4169 (503-230-5400).

For permits 1138, 1139, 1161, 1162, 1166, and 1167: Protected Species Division, NMFS, 777 Sonoma Avenue, Room 325, Santa Rosa, CA 95404-6528 (707-575-6066).

All documents may also be reviewed by appointment in the Office of Protected Resources, F/PR3, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910-3226 (301-713-1401).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For permit 1010: Robert Koch, Portland, OR (503-230-5424).