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Authority

This review is 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.

By order of the Commission.

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INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

[Investigation No. 731-TA-653 (Review)]

Sebacic Acid From China

AGENCY: United States International Trade Commission.

ACTION: Scheduling of an expedited five-year review concerning the antidumping duty order on sebacic acid from China.

SUMMARY: The Commission hereby gives notice of the scheduling of an expedited review pursuant to section 751(c)(3) of the Tariff Act of 1930 (19 U.S.C. 1675(c)(3)) (the Act) to determine whether revocation of the antidumping duty order on sebacic acid from China would be likely to lead to continuation or recurrence of material injury within a reasonably foreseeable time. For further information concerning the conduct of this review and rules of general application, consult the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, part 201, subparts A through E (19 CFR part 201), and part 207, subparts A, D, E, and F (19 CFR part 207). Recent amendments to the Rules of Practice and Procedure pertinent to five-year reviews, including the text of subpart F of part 207, are published at 63 FR 30599, June 5, 1998, and may be downloaded from the Commission's World Wide Web site at <http://www.usitc.gov/rules.htm>.

EFFECTIVE DATE: March 5, 1999.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Bonnie Noreen (202-205-3167), Office of Investigations, 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 should contact the Office

of the Secretary at 202-205-2000. General information concerning the Commission may also be obtained by accessing its internet server (<http://www.usitc.gov>).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On March 5, 1999, the Commission determined that the domestic interested party group response to its notice of institution (63 FR 66567, Dec. 2, 1998) of the subject five-year review was adequate and that the respondent interested party group response was inadequate. The Commission did not find any other circumstances that would warrant conducting a full review.¹ Accordingly, the Commission determined that it would conduct an expedited review pursuant to section 751(c)(3) of the Act.

Staff Report

A staff report containing information concerning the subject matter of the review will be placed in the nonpublic record on April 9, 1999, and made available to persons on the Administrative Protective Order service list for this review. 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 review and that have provided individually adequate responses to the notice of institution,² and any party other than an interested party to the review may file written comments with the Secretary on what determination the Commission should reach in the review. Comments are due on or before April 14, 1999, and may not contain new factual information. Any person that is neither a party to the five-year review nor an interested party may submit a brief written statement (which shall not contain any new factual information) pertinent to the review by April 14, 1999. 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

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 The Commission has found the response submitted by Union Camp Corp. to be individually adequate. Comments from other interested parties will not be accepted (see 19 CFR 207.62(d)(2)).

submissions with the Secretary by facsimile or electronic means.

In accordance with sections 201.16(c) and 207.3 of the rules, each document filed by a party to the review must be served on all other parties to the review (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).

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INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

[Investigation No. 332-362]

U.S.-Africa Trade Flows and Effects of the Uruguay Round Agreements and U.S. Trade and Development Policy

AGENCY: United States International Trade Commission.

ACTION: Notice of opportunity to submit comments in connection with fifth annual report.

EFFECTIVE DATE: March 8, 1999.

SUMMARY: Following receipt on March 31, 1995, of a letter from the United States Trade Representative (USTR), the Commission instituted investigation No. 332-362, U.S.-Africa Trade Flows and Effects of the Uruguay Round Agreements and U.S. Trade and Development Policy (60 F.R. 24884). The USTR letter requested that the Commission prepare its first annual report under this investigation not later than November 15, 1995, and provide annually thereafter for a total of five years. Following receipt on June 11, 1996, of a letter from USTR providing instruction for additional reports, the Commission submitted the second annual report on October 4, 1996 (USITC publication 3000), the third on October 31, 1997 (USITC publication 3067), and the fourth report on October

31, 1998 (USITC publication 3139). The fifth and final report in this series will be submitted in October 1999.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Constance A. Hamilton, Office of Economics (202-205-3263), or William Gearhart, Office of the General Counsel (202-205-3091) for information on legal aspects. The media should contact Margaret O'Laughlin, Office of External Relations (202-205-1819). Hearing impaired individuals are advised that information on this matter can be obtained by contacting the TDD terminal on 202-205-1810.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

Section 134 of the Uruguay Round agreements Act (URAA), PL. 103-465, directed the President to develop a comprehensive trade and development policy of the countries of Africa and to report to the Congress annually over the next 5 years on the steps taken to carry out that mandate. The Statement of Administrative Action that was approved by the Congress with the URAA provided for the President to direct the ITC to submit within 12 months following the enactment of the URAA into law, and annually for the 5 years thereafter, a report providing (1) an analysis of U.S.-African trade flows, and (2) an assessment of any effects of the Uruguay Round Agreements and of U.S. trade and development policy for Africa on such trade flows.

The fifth annual report on U.S.-African trade flows and effects of U.S. trade and development policy will contain the following information:

1. An update of U.S.-African trade and investment flows for the latest year available, including both overall trade and trade in the following major sectors: agriculture, forest products, textiles/apparel/footwear, energy, chemicals, minerals and metals, machinery, transportation equipment, electronics technology, miscellaneous manufactures, and services. Trade flow will also be provided for U.S. trade with the following regional groups: the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS), the Southern African Customs Union (SACU), the Southern African Development Community (SADC), the Western African Economic and Monetary Union (WAEMU), the Common Market for Eastern and Southern Africa (COMESA), the Tripartite Commission for East African Co-operation (EAC), the Indian Ocean Commission (IOC), and the Intergovernmental Authority on Development (IGAD).

2. An identification of major developments in the WTO and in U.S.

trade/economic activities which significantly affect U.S.-African trade and investment flows by sector during the latest year.

3. To the extent possible, an identification of changing trade and economic activities within African countries.

4. Progress in regional integration in Africa.

As requested by the USTR, the Commission will limit its study to the 48 countries in Sub-Saharan Africa.

Written Submissions

The Commission does not plan to hold a public hearing in connection with this report. However, interested persons are invited to submit written statements concerning matters to be addressed in the report. Commercial or financial information that a person desires the Commission to treat as confidential must be submitted on separate sheets of paper, each clearly marked "Confidential Business Information" at the top. All submissions requesting confidential treatment must conform with the requirements of section 201.6 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (19 CFR 201.6). All written statements, except for confidential business information, will be made available for inspection by interested persons in the Office of the Secretary to the Commission. To be assured of consideration, written statements relating to the Commission's report should be submitted at the earliest possible date and should be received not later than June 21, 1999. All submissions should be addressed to the Secretary, United States International Trade Commission, 500 E Street SW, Washington, D.C. 20436. The Secretary will not accept a document for filing without a certificate of service.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment and Training Administration

Women's Participation in Apprenticeship; Availability of Funds

AGENCY: Employment and Training Administration (ETA), DOL.

ACTION: Notice of availability of funds; solicitation for grant applications (SGA) providing women's participation in apprenticeship.

SUMMARY: This notice contains all of the necessary information and forms needed to apply for grant funding. The U.S. Department of Labor (DOL), Employment and Training Administration (ETA), Bureau of Apprenticeship and Training (BAT), announces the availability of funds for four (4) categories of pilot demonstration projects seeking to identify and eliminate barriers to recruiting, retention, training, and placement of female apprentices in non traditional occupations. Funds will be provided to Community Based Organizations, employers, labor/management organizations, employer associations, apprenticeship sponsors, educational entities, state and local governments, partners and stakeholders who propose to match (i.e., cash and/or other in-kind contributions), no less than one quarter of the amount of the awards.

DATES: Applications will be accepted commencing March 12, 1999. The closing date for receipt of applications is April 23, 1999 at 4 P.M. (Eastern Time) at the address below.

ADDRESSES: Applications shall be mailed to the U.S. Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration, Division of Federal Assistance, Attention: Tracie A. Czwartacki, SGA/DFA 99-007, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW, Room S-4203, Washington, D.C. 20210.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Questions should be faxed to Tracie Czwartacki, Grants Management Specialist, Division of Federal Assistance, Fax (202) 219-8739. This is not a toll-free number. All inquiries should include the SGA number (DFA 99-007) and a contact name, fax and phone number. This solicitation will also be published on the Internet on the Employment and Training Administration's Homepage at <http://www.doleta.gov>. Award notifications will also be published on this Homepage.