

issue, see *Analysis of Alleged Ministerial Errors—Preliminary Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value: Stainless Steel Sheet and Strip in Coils from Korea* (“Analysis Memo”), dated January 19, 1999.

With respect to sales made to unaffiliated parties during the POI, POSCO had made sales to unaffiliated parties that had previously been affiliated. In identifying and excluding sales to affiliated parties that had failed the “arm’s length test,” the margin calculation program did not differentiate between sales made before and after the companies were unaffiliated, and therefore, all sales to these companies were inadvertently excluded in the margin calculation program. See *Analysis Memo*. In addition, inland freight from plant to warehouse and warehousing expenses were also inadvertently excluded from the calculation of movement expense used to determine normal value. As both of these expenses are standard deductions to normal value, their exclusion was a clerical error on the part of the Department. For a further discussion of this issue, see *Analysis Memo*.

In conclusion, we agree with POSCO that we inadvertently used daily rates instead of a weighted-average exchange rate, that sales made to unaffiliated companies were erroneously excluded from the calculation of normal value, and that deductions for inland freight from plant to warehouse and warehousing expenses were inadvertently excluded from the calculation of normal value. Because these errors taken together constitute a significant ministerial error, as defined in 19 CFR 351.224(g), we are amending our preliminary determination. In accordance with this amendment, we will amend POSCO’s cash deposit rate from 12.59 to 3.92 percent, and the All Other’s rate from 12.59 to 3.92 percent. See “Suspension of Liquidation” section, below.

Amended Preliminary Determination

As a result of our correction of these ministerial errors, we have determined the following amended weighted-average dumping margins apply:

Manufacturer/exporter	Margin percentage
Inchon	0.00
POSCO	3.92
Taihan Electric Wire	58.79
All Others	3.92

Suspension of Liquidation

In accordance with section 733(d) of the Act, we are directing the Customs Service to suspend liquidation of all imports of subject merchandise that are entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after the date of publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**. We will instruct the Customs Service to require a cash deposit or the posting of a bond equal to the weighted-average amount by which the normal value exceeds the U.S. price, as indicated in the chart above. We will also instruct the Customs Service not to require cash deposits for manufacturers/exporters with *de minimis* or zero margins. These suspension-of-liquidation instructions will remain in effect until further notice.

ITC Notification

In accordance with section 733(f) of the Act, we are notifying the U.S. International Trade Commission (“ITC”) of our amended determination. If our final determination is affirmative, the ITC will determine before July 6, 1999, whether these imports are materially injuring, or threaten material injury to, the U.S. industry.

Public Comment

Case briefs or other written comments in at least ten copies must be submitted to the Assistant Secretary for Import Administration no later than February 23, 1999, and rebuttal briefs, limited to issues raised in case briefs, no later than March 1, 1999. A list of authorities used and an executive summary of issues should accompany any briefs submitted to the Department. Such summary should be limited to five pages total, including footnotes. In accordance with section 774 of the Act, we will hold a public hearing, if requested, to afford interested parties an opportunity to comment on arguments raised in case or rebuttal briefs. Tentatively, the hearing will be held no later than March 3, 1999, time and room to be determined, at the U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20230. Parties should confirm by telephone the time, date, and place of the hearing 48 hours before the scheduled time.

Interested parties who wish to request a hearing, or to participate if one is requested, must submit a written request to the Assistant Secretary for Import Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, Room 1870, no later than February 3, 1999. Requests should contain: (1) the party’s name, address, and telephone number; (2) the number of participants; and (3) a list of the

issues to be discussed. Oral presentations will be limited to issues raised in the briefs. We will make our final determination no later than May 19, 1999.

This amended preliminary determination and notice are in accordance with section 733(d)(2) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.224 of the Department’s regulations.

Dated: January 14, 1999.

Robert S. LaRussa,

Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

University of Pennsylvania, et al.; Notice of Consolidated Decision on Applications for Duty-Free Entry of Electron Microscopes

This is a decision consolidated pursuant to Section 6(c) of the Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Materials Importation Act of 1966 (Pub. L. 89–651, 80 Stat. 897; 15 CFR part 301). Related records can be viewed between 8:30 A.M. and 5:00 P.M. in Room 4211, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th and Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C.

Docket Number: 98–043. Applicant: University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA 19104–6085. Instrument: Electron Microscope, Model JEM–1010. Manufacturer: JEOL Ltd., Japan. Intended Use: See notice at 63 FR 50211, September 21, 1998. Order Date: July 1, 1998.

Docket Number: 98–044. Applicant: University of North Dakota School of Medicine & Health Sciences, Grand Forks, ND 58202. Instrument: Electron Microscope, Model H–7500. Manufacturer: Hitachi, Japan. Intended Use: See notice at 63 FR 50211, September 21, 1998. Order Date: April 14, 1998.

Docket Number: 98–045. Applicant: The University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio, San Antonio, TX 78284–7750. Instrument: Electron Microscope, Model EM208S. Manufacturer: N.V. Philips, Czech Republic. Intended Use: See notice at 63 FR 50556, September 22, 1998. Order Date: July 9, 1998.

Docket Number: 98–048. Applicant: North Carolina State University, Raleigh, NC 27695. Instrument: Electron Microscope, Model JEM–2010F. Manufacturer: JEOL Ltd., Japan.

Intended Use: See notice at 63 FR 58368, October 30, 1998. *Order Date:* August 13, 1998.

Docket Number: 98-055. *Applicant:* Mount Sinai School of Medicine, New York, NY 10029. *Instrument:* Electron Microscope and Accessories, Model H-7500. *Manufacturer:* Hitachi Scientific Instruments, Japan. *Intended Use:* See notice at 63 FR 63292, November 12, 1998. *Order Date:* June 30, 1998.

Comments: None received. *Decision:* Approved. No instrument of equivalent scientific value to the foreign instrument, for such purposes as these instruments are intended to be used, was being manufactured in the United States at the time the instruments were ordered. *Reasons:* Each foreign instrument is a conventional transmission electron microscope (CTEM) and is intended for research or scientific educational uses requiring a CTEM. We know of no CTEM, or any other instrument suited to these purposes, which was being manufactured in the United States either at the time of order of each instrument or at the time of receipt of application by the U.S. Customs Service.

Frank W. Creel,

Director, Statutory Import Programs Staff.
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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

University of Minnesota, et al.; Notice of Consolidated Decision on Applications for Duty-Free Entry of Scientific Instruments

This is a decision consolidated pursuant to Section 6(c) of the Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Materials Importation Act of 1966 (Pub. L. 89-651, 80 Stat. 897; 15 CFR part 301). Related records can be viewed between 8:30 A.M. and 5:00 P.M. in Room 4211, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th and Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C.

Comments: None received. *Decision:* Approved. No instrument of equivalent scientific value to the foreign instruments described below, for such purposes as each is intended to be used, is being manufactured in the United States.

Docket Number: 98-046. *Applicant:* University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN 55455. *Instrument:* (2) Bioelectric Impedance Tomographs, Models APT/EIT and Mk3a EIT/APT. *Manufacturer:* University of Sheffield, United

Kingdom. *Intended Use:* See notice at 63 FR 50556, September 22, 1998. *Reasons:* The foreign instrument provides real time dynamic imaging of cardiac blood volume changes and characterization of tissues such as the lung using 16-channel recording for bioelectric impedance tomography. *Advice received from:* National Institutes of Health, December 10, 1998.

Docket Number: 98-049. *Applicant:* North Carolina State University, Raleigh, NC 27695-7212. *Instrument:* Oxylite Oxygen Monitor, Model 2000. *Manufacturer:* Oxford Optonix Ltd., United Kingdom. *Intended Use:* See notice at 63 FR 58368, October 30, 1998. *Reasons:* The foreign instrument provides an optical technique that incorporates a non-metallic fiber optic probe that may remain in-situ during magnetic resonance imaging. *Advice received from:* National Institutes of Health, December 10, 1998.

Docket Number: 98-056. *Applicant:* University of Wisconsin-Madison, Madison, WI 53706. *Instrument:* Piezo Manipulator, Model PPM-150FU. *Manufacturer:* Prime Tech Ltd., Japan. *Intended Use:* See notice at 63 FR 63292, November 12, 1998. *Reasons:* The foreign instrument provides a rapid and controllable deformation piezo electric element to drill carefully through the zona pellucida and enter a cell with minimal damage or deformation during transgenic cloning procedures. *Advice received from:* National Institutes of Health, December 11, 1998.

The National Institutes of Health advises in its memoranda that (1) the capabilities of each of the foreign instruments described above are pertinent to each applicant's intended purpose and (2) it knows of no domestic instrument or apparatus of equivalent scientific value for the intended use of each instrument.

We know of no other instrument or apparatus being manufactured in the United States which is of equivalent scientific value to any of the foreign instruments.

Frank W. Creel,

Director, Statutory Import Programs Staff.
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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

University of Hawaii, et al.; Notice of Consolidated Decision on Applications for Duty-Free Entry of Scientific Instruments

This is a decision consolidated pursuant to Section 6(c) of the Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Materials Importation Act of 1966 (Pub. L. 89-651, 80 Stat. 897; 15 CFR part 301). Related records can be viewed between 8:30 A.M. and 5:00 P.M. in Room 4211, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th and Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C.

Comments: None received. *Decision:* Approved. No instrument of equivalent scientific value to the foreign instruments described below, for such purposes as each is intended to be used, is being manufactured in the United States.

Docket Number: 98-058. *Applicant:* University of Hawaii, Honolulu, HI 96822. *Instrument:* Directional Wave Buoy. *Manufacturer:* Datawell bv, The Netherlands. *Intended Use:* See notice at 63 FR 65174, November 25, 1998. *Reasons:* The foreign instrument provides (1) capability for long-term deployment over deep water in the open ocean for measuring directional waves, (2) real time data access through telemetry to onshore locations and (3) compatibility with similar research projects in this area. *Advice received from:* Two domestic manufacturers of similar equipment, July 2, 1998.

Docket Number: 98-060. *Applicant:* Iowa State University of Science & Technology, Ames, IA 50011-3616. *Instrument:* Variable Temperature Scanning Tunneling Microscope. *Manufacturer:* Omicron Vakuum Physik, Germany. *Intended Use:* See notice at 63 FR 69264, December 16, 1998. *Reasons:* The foreign instrument provides (1) precise control of the temperature of the sample and the STM scanner over a range of 25° K to 750° K, (2) deposition of metal within the microscope and (3) continuous imaging of the sample during deposition. *Advice received from:* A domestic manufacturer of similar equipment, August 25, 1998.

Domestic manufacturers of similar equipment advise that (1) the capabilities of each of the foreign instruments described above are pertinent to each applicant's intended purpose and (2) they know of no domestic instrument or apparatus of equivalent scientific value for the intended use of each instrument (comparable cases).