

Corporation and The Torrington Company v. United States, 822 F. Supp. 782 (CIT 1993) and *Floral Trade Council v. United States*, 822 F. Supp. 766 (CIT 1993) (interpreting 19 C.F.R. 353.22(e), the antidumping regulation on automatic assessment, which is identical to 19 C.F.R. 355.22(g)). Therefore, the cash deposit rates for all companies except those covered by this review will be unchanged by the results of this review.

We will instruct Customs to continue to collect cash deposits for non-reviewed companies at the most recent company-specific or country-wide rate applicable to the company. Accordingly, the cash deposit rates that will be applied to non-reviewed companies covered by this order are those established in the most recently completed administrative proceeding conducted under the URAA. If such a review has not been conducted, the rate established in the most recently completed administrative proceeding pursuant to the statutory provisions that were in effect prior to the URAA amendments is applicable. See *Certain Steel 1993*. These rates shall apply to all non-reviewed companies until a review of a company assigned these rates is requested. In addition, for the period January 1, 1997 through December 31, 1997, the assessment rates applicable to all non-reviewed companies covered by this order are the cash deposit rates in effect at the time of entry.

Public Comment

Pursuant to 19 C.F.R. 351.224(b), the Department will disclose to parties to the proceeding any calculations performed in connection with these preliminary results within five days after the date of publication of this notice. Pursuant to 19 C.F.R. 351.309, interested parties may submit written comments in response to these preliminary results. Case briefs must be submitted within 30 days after the date of publication of this notice, and rebuttal briefs, limited to arguments raised in case briefs, must be submitted no later than five days after the time limit for filing case briefs. Parties who submit argument in this proceeding are requested to submit with the argument: (1) a statement of the issue, and (2) a brief summary of the argument. Case and rebuttal briefs must be served on interested parties in accordance with 19 C.F.R. 351.303(f). Also, pursuant to 19 C.F.R. 351.310, within 30 days of the date of publication of this notice, interested parties may request a public hearing on arguments to be raised in the case and rebuttal briefs. Unless the Secretary specifies otherwise, the

hearing, if requested, will be held two days after the date for submission of rebuttal briefs, that is, thirty-seven days after the date of publication of these preliminary results.

The Department will publish the final results of this administrative review, including the results of its analysis of issues raised in any case or rebuttal brief or at a hearing.

This administrative review is issued and published in accordance with sections 751(a)(1) and 777(i)(1) of the Act (19 U.S.C. 1675(a)(1) and 19 U.S.C. 1677f(i)(1)).

Dated: August 31, 1999.

Richard W. Moreland,

Acting Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[C-122-815]

Pure Magnesium and Alloy Magnesium From Canada: Final Results of Countervailing Duty Administrative Reviews

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

ACTION: Notice of final results of countervailing duty administrative reviews.

SUMMARY: On May 7, 1999, the Department of Commerce published in the **Federal Register** its preliminary results of the administrative reviews of the countervailing duty orders on pure magnesium and alloy magnesium from Canada for the period January 1, 1997, through December 31, 1997. The Department has now completed these reviews in accordance with section 751(a) of the Act. For information on the net subsidy rate for the reviewed company, as well as for all non-reviewed companies, see the Final Results of Reviews section of this notice. We will instruct the U.S. Customs Service to assess countervailing duties accordingly.

EFFECTIVE DATE: September 8, 1999.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Annika O'Hara or Blanche Ziv, AD/CVD Enforcement, Group I, Office 1, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20230; telephone: (202) 482-3798 or (202) 482-4207, respectively.

Applicable Statute and Regulations

Unless otherwise indicated, all citations to the statute are references to the provisions of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended by the Uruguay Round Agreements Act ("URAA"), effective January 1, 1995 ("the Act"). The Department of Commerce ("the Department") is conducting these administrative reviews in accordance with section 751(a) of the Act. In addition, unless otherwise indicated, all citation to the Department's regulations are to the regulations codified at 19 CFR Part 351 (1998).

Background

On August 31, 1992, the Department published in the **Federal Register** the countervailing duty orders on pure magnesium and alloy magnesium from Canada (57 FR 39392).

In accordance with 19 CFR 351.213(b), the reviews of these orders cover those producers or exporters of the subject merchandise for which a review was specifically requested. Accordingly, these reviews cover only Norsk Hydro Canada, Inc. ("NHCI"), the sole producer or exporter of the subject merchandise for which a review was requested. The petitioner in these reviews is the Magnesium Corporation of America. These reviews cover 17 programs.

In the preliminary results of these reviews, the Department invited interested parties to comment on the results (See *Pure Magnesium and Alloy Magnesium From Canada: Preliminary Results of the Sixth Countervailing Duty Administrative Reviews*, 64 FR 24585 (May 7, 1999) ("Preliminary Results")). However, no case briefs or rebuttal briefs were filed by interested parties. The Department did not conduct a hearing for these reviews because none was requested.

Scope of the Reviews

The products covered by these reviews are shipments of pure magnesium and alloy magnesium from Canada. Pure magnesium contains at least 99.8 percent magnesium by weight and is sold in various slab and ingot forms and sizes. Magnesium alloys contain less than 99.8 percent magnesium by weight with magnesium being the largest metallic element in the alloy by weight, and are sold in various ingot and billet forms and sizes.

The merchandise under review is currently classifiable under items 8104.11.0000 and 8104.19.0000 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States ("HTSUS"). Although the HTSUS subheadings are provided for

convenience and customs purposes, our written description of the scope of these reviews is dispositive.

Secondary and granular magnesium are not included in the scope of these orders. Our reasons for excluding granular magnesium are summarized in the *Preliminary Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value: Pure and Alloy Magnesium From Canada*, 57 FR 6094 (February 20, 1992).

Period of Review

The period of review ("POR") for which we are measuring subsidies is from January 1, 1997 through December 31, 1997.

Analysis of Programs

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A. Exemption from Payment of Water Bills

In the *Preliminary Results*, we found that this program conferred a countervailable benefit on the subject merchandise. We also preliminarily determined that the program was terminated during the POR, that no residual benefits were being provided or received, and that no substitute program had been implemented. We have not received any new information or comments which would lead us to change our preliminary findings. On this basis, we determine that the net subsidy rate for this program during the POR is 0.18 percent for NHCI. Moreover, because this program was terminated during the POR, we do not intend to examine it in the future and the cash deposit rate will be zero for this program.

B. Article 7 Grants from the Québec Industrial Development Corporation

In the *Preliminary Results*, we found that this program conferred a countervailable benefit on the subject merchandise. We have not received any new information or comments which would lead us to change our preliminary findings. On this basis, we determine that the net subsidy rate for this program during the POR is 1.84 percent for NHCI.

II. Programs Found Not to be Used

In the *Preliminary Results*, we found that NHCI did not apply for or receive benefits under the following programs during the POR:

- St. Lawrence River Environment Technology Development Program
- Program for Export Market Development
- Export Development Corporation

- Canada-Québec Subsidiary Agreement on the Economic Development of the Regions of Québec
- Opportunities to Stimulate Technology Programs
- Development Assistance Program
- Industrial Feasibility Study Assistance Program
- Export Promotion Assistance Program
- Creation of Scientific Jobs in Industries
- Business Investment Assistance Program
- Business Financing Program
- Research and Innovation Activities Program
- Export Assistance Program
- Energy Technologies Development Program
- Transportation Research and Development Assistance Program.

We have not received any new information or comments on these programs which would lead us to change our findings from the *Preliminary Results*.

Final Results of Reviews

In accordance with 19 CFR 351.221(b)(5), we calculated an individual subsidy rate for each producer or exporter subject to these administrative reviews. For the period January 1, 1997, through December 31, 1997, we determine the net subsidy rate for NHCI, the only producer or exporter subject to these reviews, to be 2.02 percent *ad valorem*. We will instruct the U.S. Customs Service ("Customs") to assess countervailing duties in this amount for all entries of the subject merchandise produced and/or exported by NHCI during this period. The Department will also instruct Customs to collect cash deposits of estimated countervailing duties (exclusive of the net subsidy rate calculated for the water program; see section I.A. above) at the rate of 1.84 percent of the f.o.b. invoice prices on all shipments of the subject merchandise from NHCI, entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after the date of publication of the final results of these administrative reviews.

Because the URAA replaced the general rule in favor of a country-wide rate with a general rule in favor of individual rates for investigated and reviewed companies, the procedures for establishing countervailing duty rates, including those for non-reviewed companies, are now essentially the same as those in antidumping cases, except as provided for in section 777A(e)(2)(B) of the Act. Consequently, the requested review will normally cover only those companies specifically named (see 19

CFR 351.213(b)). Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.212(c), for all companies for which a review was not requested, duties must be assessed at the cash deposit rate, and cash deposits must continue to be collected at the rate previously ordered. As such, the countervailing duty cash deposit rate applicable to a company can no longer change, except pursuant to a request for a review of that company. See *Federal-Mogul Corporation and The Torrington Company v. United States*, 822 F. Supp. 782 (CIT 1993) and *Floral Trade Council v. United States*, 822 F. Supp. 766 (CIT 1993) (interpreting 19 CFR 353.22(e), the antidumping regulation on automatic assessment, which parallels 19 CFR 355.22(g), the predecessor to 19 CFR 351.212(c)). Therefore, the cash deposit rates for all companies except NHCI are unchanged by the results of these reviews.

We will instruct Customs to continue to collect cash deposits for non-reviewed companies (except for Timminco Limited, which was excluded from the order in the original investigations) at the most recent company-specific or country-wide rate applicable to the company. Accordingly, the cash deposit rates that will be applied to non-reviewed companies covered by these orders are those established in the most recently completed administrative proceeding. See *Final Results of the Second Countervailing Duty Administrative Reviews: Pure Magnesium and Alloy Magnesium from Canada*, 62 FR 48607 (September 16, 1997). These rates shall apply to all non-reviewed companies until a review of a company assigned these rates is completed. In addition, for the period January 1, 1997, through December 31, 1997, the assessment rates applicable to all non-reviewed companies covered by these orders are the cash deposit rates in effect at the time of entry, except for Timminco Limited (which was excluded from the order in the original investigations).

This notice serves as a reminder to parties subject to an administrative protective order ("APO") of their responsibility concerning the disposition of proprietary information disclosed under APO in accordance with 19 CFR 351.301. Timely written notification of return or 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.

These administrative reviews and notice are in accordance with sections 751(a)(1) and 777(i)(1) of the Act.

Dated: August 31, 1999.

Richard W. Moreland,

Acting Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 082699C]

Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

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

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: The Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council (Council) will convene a public meeting of the Texas Habitat Protection Advisory Panel (AP).

DATES: The meeting will begin at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, September 21, 1999 and conclude by 3:00 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Hilton Houston Hobby Airport 8181 Airport Boulevard, Houston, TX 77061; telephone: 713-645-3000.

Council address: Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council, 3018 U.S. Highway 301 North, Suite 1000, Tampa, FL 33619.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jeff Rester, Gulf States Marine Fisheries Commission; telephone: 228-875-5912.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Texas group is part of a three unit Habitat Protection Advisory Panel of the Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council. The principal role of the advisory panels is to assist the Council in attempting to maintain optimum conditions within the habitat and ecosystems supporting the marine resources of the Gulf of Mexico.

Advisory panels serve as a first alert system to call to the Council's attention proposed projects being developed and other activities which may adversely impact the Gulf marine fisheries and their supporting ecosystems. The panels may also provide advice to the Council on its policies and procedures for addressing environmental affairs.

At this meeting, the AP will discuss revision of the Council's Habitat Policy to include Essential Fish Habitat (EFH) provisions, an update on EFH assessments in Council fishery management plan amendments, an update on the status of the EFH lawsuit, expansion of the Houston Ship Channel in Galveston Bay, an informational

presentation on artificial reefs, and a new wetland restoration technique.

Although other issues not listed in this agenda may come before the AP for discussion, in accordance with the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, those issues may not be the subject of formal action during this meeting. The AP's actions will be restricted to those issues specifically identified in the agenda listed as available by this notice.

Special Accommodations

This meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Anne Alford at the Council (see **ADDRESSES**) by September 14, 1999.

Dated: September 1, 1999.

Bruce C. Morehead,

Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 083199D]

North Pacific Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

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

ACTION: Notice of committee meeting.

SUMMARY: The Pacific Northwest Crab Industry Advisory Committee has scheduled a meeting.

DATES: The meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 29, 1999, 9:00 a.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Leif Erickson Lodge, 2245 NW 57th Street, Seattle, WA.

Council address: North Pacific Fishery Management Council, 605 W. 4th Ave., Suite 306, Anchorage, AK 99501-2252.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Arni Thomson, Alaska Crab Coalition; telephone: 206-547-7560.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Pacific Northwest Crab Industry Advisory Committee will meet with representatives of the Alaska Department of Fish and Game to receive reports and information on the following subjects:

1. Status of crab stocks and resulting guideline harvest levels.
2. Report on recent Alaska Board of Fisheries activities, including update on

recent appeals on stand-down and season change action.

3. Report on Tanner crab rebuilding analysis.

4. Status of the Crab Observer Program.

After presentations by the Alaska Department of Fish and Game staff, the committee will discuss and may make recommendations on any of the listed subjects.

Although other issues not contained in this agenda may come before this committee for discussion, in accordance with the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, those issues may not be the subject of formal action during this meeting. Action will be restricted to those issues specifically listed in this notice.

Special Accommodations

These meetings are physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Helen Allen, 907-271-2809, at least 5 working days prior to the meeting date.

Dated: September 1, 1999.

Bruce C. Morehead,

Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 082599C]

Western Pacific Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

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

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: The Western Pacific Fishery Management Council's (Council) Recreational Fisheries Data Task Force (RFDTF) will hold a meeting.

DATES: The meeting will be held on September 21, 1999, from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Council office, 1164 Bishop St., Suite 1400, Honolulu, HI 96813.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kitty M. Simonds, Executive Director; telephone: 808-522-8220.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This will be the first meeting of the RFDTF which will discuss the following topics: the need and importance of recreational