

Department”), pursuant to sections 751(c) and 752 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (“the Act”), determined that revocation of the countervailing duty order on welded carbon steel pipes and tubes from Turkey, is likely to lead to continuation or recurrence of a countervailable subsidy. *See Welded Carbon Steel Pipes and Tubes from Turkey; Final Results of Full Sunset Review (“Final Results”)*, 65 FR 17486 (April 3, 2000). On August 9, 2000, the International Trade Commission (“the Commission”), pursuant to section 751(c) of the Act, determined that revocation of the countervailing duty order on welded carbon steel pipes and tubes from Turkey would be likely to lead to continuation or recurrence of material injury to an industry in the United States within a reasonably foreseeable time. *See Certain Pipe and Tube from Argentina, Brazil, Canada, India, Korea, Mexico, Singapore, Taiwan, Thailand, Turkey, and Venezuela (“ITC Final Results”)*, 65 FR 48733 (August 9, 2000). Therefore, pursuant to 19 CFR 351.218(f)(4), the Department is publishing notice of the continuation of the countervailing duty order on welded carbon steel pipes and tubes from Turkey.

EFFECTIVE DATE: August 22, 2000.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kathryn B. McCormick or James P. Maeder, Office of Policy for Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482-1930 or (202) 482-3330, respectively.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On May 1, 1999, and May 3, 1999, respectively, the Department initiated, and the Commission instituted, sunset reviews (64 FR 23596 and 64 FR 23679, respectively) of the countervailing duty order on welded carbon steel pipes and tubes from Turkey, pursuant to section 751(c) of the Act. As a result of its review, the Department found on April 3, 2000, that revocation of the countervailing duty order on welded carbon steel pipes and tubes from Turkey would likely lead to continuation or recurrence of a countervailable subsidy and notified the Commission of the net countervailable subsidy likely to prevail were the order revoked. *See Final Results*, (65 FR 17486).

On August 9, 2000, the Commission determined, pursuant to section 751(c) of the Act, that revocation of the countervailing duty order on welded

carbon steel pipes and tubes from Turkey would be likely to lead to continuation or recurrence of material injury to an industry in the United States within a reasonably foreseeable time. *See ITC Final Results*, (65 FR 48733) and USITC Publication 3316 (July 2000), Investigation Nos. 701-TA-253 and 731-TA-273 (Reviews).

Scope

This order covers shipments of Turkish welded carbon steel pipes and tubes, having an outside diameter of 0.375 inch or more, but not more than 16 inches, of any wall thickness. These products, commonly referred to in the industry as standard pipe and tube or structural tubing, are produced in accordance with various American Society Testing and Materials (“ASTM”) specifications, most notably A-53, A-120, A-500, or A-501. The subject merchandise was originally classifiable under item number 416.30 of the Tariff Schedules of the United States Annotated (“TSUSA”); currently, they are classifiable under item numbers 7306.30.10 and 7306.30.50 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (“HTSUS”). Although the TSUSA and HTSUS item numbers are provided for convenience and customs purposes, the written description remains dispositive.

Determination

As a result of the determinations by the Department and the Commission that revocation of the countervailing duty order would be likely to lead to continuation or recurrence of a countervailable subsidy and material injury to an industry in the United States, pursuant to section 751(d)(2) of the Act, the Department hereby orders the continuation of the countervailing duty order on welded carbon steel pipes and tubes from Turkey. The Department will instruct the U.S. Customs Service to continue to collect countervailing duty deposits at the rates in effect at the time of entry for all imports of subject merchandise. The effective date of continuation of this order will be the date of publication in the **Federal Register** of this Notice of Continuation. Pursuant to section 751(c)(2) and 751(c)(6) of the Act, the Department intends to initiate the next five-year review of this order not later than August 2005.

Dated: August 16, 2000.

Troy H. Cribb,

Acting Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Institute of Standards and Technology

Visiting Committee on Advanced Technology

AGENCY: National Institute of Standards and Technology, Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of partially closed meeting.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. app. 2, notice is hereby given that the Visiting Committee on Advanced Technology, National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST), will meet Wednesday, September 13, 2000 from 8:15 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. and Thursday, September 14, 2000 from 8:00 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. The Visiting Committee on Advanced Technology is composed of fourteen members appointed by the Director of NIST; who are eminent in such fields as business, research, new product development, engineering, labor, education, management consulting, environment, and international relations. The purpose of this meeting is to review and make recommendations regarding general policy for the Institute, its organization, its budget, and its programs within the framework of applicable national policies as set forth by the President and the Congress. The agenda will include an update on NIST programs; an in-depth review of the Chemical Science and Technology Laboratory; an in-depth review of the Manufacturing Extension Partnership Program; a Report from the Chair of the Board on Assessment, an in-depth review of Technology Services; and a laboratory tour. Discussions scheduled to begin at 4:30 p.m. and to end at 5:30 p.m. on September 13, 2000 and to begin at 8:00 a.m. and to end at 12:15 p.m. on September 14, 2000, on staffing of management positions at NIST, the NIST budget, including funding levels of the Advanced Technology Program and the Manufacturing Extension Partnership, and feedback sessions will be closed.

DATES: The meeting will convene September 13, 2000 at 8:15 a.m. and will adjourn at 12:15 p.m. on September 14, 2000.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held in the Radio Building, Room 1107 (seating capacity 60, includes 35 participants), National Institute of Standards and Technology, Boulder, Colorado.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Janet R. Russell, Administrative Coordinator, Visiting Committee on

Advanced Technology, National Institute of Standards and Technology, Gaithersburg, MD 20899-1004, telephone number (301) 975-2107.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Assistant Secretary for Administration, with the concurrence of the General Counsel, formally determined on July 12, 2000, that portions of the meeting of the Visiting Committee on Advanced Technology which involve discussion of proposed funding of the Advanced Technology Program and the Manufacturing Extension Partnership Program may be closed in accordance with 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(9)(B), because those portions of the meetings will divulge matters the premature disclosure of which would be likely to significantly frustrate implementation of proposed agency actions; and that portions of meetings which involve discussion of the staffing issues of management and other positions at NIST may be closed in accordance with 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(6), because divulging information discussed in those portions of the meetings is likely to reveal information of a personal nature where disclosure would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

Dated: August 14, 2000.

Karen H. Brown,
Deputy Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Institute of Standards and Technology

Announcement of a Meeting To Discuss an Opportunity To Join a Cooperative Research and Development Consortium on Service Life Prediction of Sealant Formulations Consortia

AGENCY: National Institute of Standards and Technology, Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: The National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) invites interested parties to attend a meeting on September 24, 2000 and September 25, 2000 on Service Life Prediction of Sealant Formulations. The goal of the consortium is to demonstrate the effectiveness of a reliability based approach to the prediction of service life for a sealant formulations.

DATES: The meeting will take place on September 24, 2000 from 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m., and on September 25, 2000 from 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m.

Interested parties should contact NIST to confirm their interest at the address, telephone number or FAX number shown below.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will take place in Lecture Room B of the Administration Building (Building 101), National Institute of Standards and Technology, Gaithersburg, MD 20899-0001.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Christopher C. White, Building and Fire Research Building (226), Room B350, 100 Bureau Drive, Stop 8621, National Institute of Standards and Technology, Gaithersburg, MD 20899-8621. Telephone: 301-975-6010; FAX: 301-990-6891; e-mail: Christopher.white@nist.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Any program undertaken will be within the scope and confines of The Federal Technology Transfer Act of 1986 (Public Law 99-502, 15 U.S.C. 3710a), which provides federal laboratories including NIST, with the authority to enter into cooperative research agreements with qualified parties. Under this law, NIST may contribute personnel, equipment, and facilities but no funds to the cooperative research program. This is not a grant program.

The R&D staff of each industrial partner in the Consortium will be able to interact with NIST researchers regarding current experimental methods to determine the service life of sealant formulations. The current state-of-the-art for service life predictions employ outdoor exposure as the only reliable test method. This leads to a choice by the manufacturers of new sealant formulations: Conduct these tests and incur long product introduction times, or omit these tests and incur increased risk of liability exposure. There is little confidence in the relationship between accelerated exposure and service life.

This conference will focus on the implementation of a reliability based protocol to establish confidence in accelerated determination of the service life of sealant formulations. Additionally, the issues of proper installation, joint construction and proper materials selection will be discussed as they relate to durability of in-service sealants.

Dated: August 14, 2000.

Karen H. Brown,
Deputy Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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Pacific Fishery Management Council; Public Meetings

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

ACTION: Notice of public meetings.

SUMMARY: The Pacific Fishery Management Council (Council) and its advisory entities will hold public meetings.

DATES: The Council and its advisory entities will meet September 11-15, 2000. The Council meeting will begin on Tuesday, September 12, at 9 a.m., reconvening each day through Friday. All meetings are open to the public, except a closed session will be held from 8 a.m. until 9 a.m. on Tuesday, September 12 to address litigation and personnel matters. The Council will meet as late as necessary each day to complete its scheduled business.

ADDRESSES: The meetings and hearing will be held at the Red Lion Hotel Sacramento, 1401 Arden Way, Sacramento, CA 95815; telephone: (916) 922-8041.

Council address: Pacific Fishery Management Council, 2130 SW Fifth Avenue, Suite 224, Portland, OR 97201.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Donald O. McIsaac, Executive Director; telephone: (503) 326-6352.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The following items are on the Council agenda, but not necessarily in this order:

A. Call to Order

1. Opening Remarks, Introductions
2. Council Member Appointments
3. Roll Call
4. Executive Director's Report
5. Status of Federal Regulation Implementation
6. Approve Agenda
7. Approve April and June 2000 Minutes

B. Marine Reserves

1. Marine Reserves Phase I Considerations Report
2. Marine Reserves Phase II Considerations
3. Marine Reserve Implementation

C. Habitat Issues

1. Endangered Species Act and Essential Fish Habitat Requirements in Regard to Klamath River Flows