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**Authority:** 15 U.S.C. 3719.

Done at Washington, DC, this 27th day of July, 2017.

**Kim L. Hicks,**

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## **DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

### **International Trade Administration**

**[A-583-837]**

#### **Polyethylene Terephthalate Film, Sheet, and Strip From Taiwan: Preliminary Results and Partial Rescission of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review; 2015-2016**

**AGENCY:** Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Commerce (the Department) is conducting an administrative review of the antidumping duty order on polyethylene terephthalate film, sheet, and strip (PET Film) from Taiwan. The period of review (POR) is July 1, 2015, through June 30, 2016. This review covers the respondent Nan Ya Plastics Corporation (Nan Ya), a producer and exporter of PET Film from Taiwan. The Department preliminarily determines that sales of subject merchandise have been made below normal value (NV) by Nan Ya during the POR. In addition, we are rescinding this administrative review with respect to Shinkong Materials Technology Corporation (SMTC). Interested parties are invited to comment on these preliminary results.

**DATES:** Applicable August 3, 2017.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jacqueline Arrowsmith or Myrna Lobo at (202) 482-5255 and (202) 482-2371, AD/CVD Operations, Office VII, Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20230.

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

##### **Scope of the Order**

The merchandise subject to the order is PET Film. The PET Film subject to the order is currently classifiable under subheading 3920.62.00.90 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> A full description of the scope of the order is contained in the memorandum from James Maeder, Senior Director performing the duties of Deputy Assistant Secretary for Antidumping and

#### **Partial Rescission of Administrative Review**

On September 12, 2016, the Department published a notice of initiation of administrative review of the antidumping duty order on PET Film from Taiwan.<sup>2</sup> On December 12, 2016, the petitioners<sup>3</sup> withdrew their request for review with respect to SMTC.<sup>4</sup> In response to this timely filed request and since no other party requested a review of SMTC, we are rescinding this administrative review, in part, with respect to SMTC, pursuant to 19 CFR 351.213(d)(1).

#### **Methodology**

The Department is conducting this review in accordance with section 751(a)(2) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act). Export price is calculated in accordance with section 772 of the Act. NV is calculated in accordance with section 773 of the Act.

For a full description of the methodology underlying our conclusions, see the Preliminary Decision Memorandum. A list of topics included in the Preliminary Decision Memorandum is included as an Appendix to this notice. The Preliminary Decision Memorandum is a public document and is on file electronically via Enforcement and Compliance's Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Centralized Electronic Service System (ACCESS). ACCESS is available to registered users at <http://access.trade.gov> and is available to all parties in the Central Records Unit in room B8024 of the main Commerce building. In addition, a complete version of the Decision Memorandum can be accessed directly on the Internet at <http://enforcement.trade.gov/frn/index.html>. The signed and electronic versions of the Preliminary Decision Memorandum are identical in content.

Countervailing Duty Operations, to Gary Taverman, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Operations, Performing the non-exclusive functions and duties of the Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance, "Decision Memorandum for Preliminary Results and Partial Rescission of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review: Polyethylene Terephthalate Film, Sheet, and Strip from Taiwan; 2015-2016" (Preliminary Decision Memorandum), which is hereby adopted by this notice.

<sup>2</sup> See *Initiation of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Administrative Reviews*, 81 FR 62720 (September 12, 2016).

<sup>3</sup> The petitioners in this investigation are DuPont Teijin Films, Mitsubishi Polyester Film, Inc., and SKC, Inc. (the petitioners).

<sup>4</sup> See Petitioners Letter "Partial Withdrawal of Request for Antidumping Duty Administrative Review," dated December 12, 2016.

### Preliminary Results of Review

As a result of this review, we preliminarily determine the following weighted-average dumping margin for the period July 1, 2015, through June 30, 2016.

Manufacturer/exporter	Weighted-average dumping margin (percent)
Nan Ya Plastics Corporation .....	1.34

### Disclosure and Public Comment

The Department intends to disclose to interested parties the calculations performed in connection with these preliminary results within five days of the date of publication of this notice.<sup>5</sup> Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.309(c), interested parties may submit case briefs no later than 30 days after the date of publication of this notice.<sup>6</sup> Rebuttal briefs, limited to issues raised in the case briefs, may be filed not later than five days after the date for filing case briefs.<sup>7</sup> Parties who submit case briefs or rebuttal briefs in this proceeding are encouraged to submit with each argument: (1) A statement of the issue; (2) a brief summary of the argument; and (3) a table of authorities.<sup>8</sup> Case and rebuttal briefs should be filed using ACCESS.<sup>9</sup> In order to be properly filed, ACCESS must successfully receive an electronically-filed document in its entirety by 5 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time.

Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.310(c), 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 Enforcement and Compliance, filed electronically via ACCESS, within 30 days after the date of publication of this notice.<sup>10</sup> Requests should contain: (1) The party's name, address, and telephone number; (2) the number of participants; and (3) a list of issues to be discussed. Issues raised in the hearing will be limited to those raised in the respective case briefs.

Unless extended, the Department intends to issue the final results of this administrative review, including the results of its analysis of the issues raised in any written briefs, not later than 120 days after the date of publication of this notice, pursuant to section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.213(h).

### Assessment Rates

Upon completion of the administrative review, the Department shall determine, and CBP shall assess, antidumping duties on all appropriate entries in accordance with 19 CFR 351.212(b)(1). If Nan Ya's weighted-average dumping margin is not zero or *de minimis* (i.e., less than 0.5 percent) in the final results of this review, we will calculate importer-specific assessment rates on the basis of the ratio of the total amount of dumping calculated for the importer's examined sales and the total entered value of the sales in accordance with 19 CFR 351.212(b)(1). We will instruct CBP to assess antidumping duties on all appropriate entries covered by this review when the importer-specific assessment rate calculated in the final results of this review is above *de minimis*. Where the respondent's weighted-average dumping margin is zero or *de minimis*, or an importer-specific assessment rate is zero or *de minimis*, we will instruct CBP to liquidate the appropriate entries without regard to antidumping duties. The final results of this review shall be the basis for the assessment of antidumping duties on entries of merchandise covered by the final results of this review and for future deposits of estimated duties, where applicable.

Consistent with the Department's "automatic assessment" regulation for entries this clarification will apply to entries of subject merchandise during the POR produced by Nan Ya for which it did not know that its merchandise was destined for the United States.<sup>11</sup> Furthermore, for SMTC for which this review is rescinded, we will instruct CBP to assess antidumping duties at rates equal to the cash deposit of estimated antidumping duties required at the time of entry, or withdrawal from warehouse for consumption, in accordance with 19 CFR 351.212(c)(1)(i).

We intend to issue instructions to CBP 15 days after the date of publication of the final results of this review.

### Cash Deposit Requirements

The following deposit requirements will be effective for all shipments of PET Film from Taiwan entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after the date of

publication of the final results of this administrative review, as provided for by section 751(a)(2)(C) of the Act: (1) The cash deposit rate for the company under review will be the rate established in the final results of this review (except, if the rate is zero or *de minimis*, no cash deposit will be required); (2) for previously reviewed or investigated companies not listed above, the cash deposit rate will continue to be the company-specific rate published for the most recent period; (3) if the exporter is not a firm covered in this review, a prior review, or the less-than-fair-value investigation, but the manufacturer is, the cash deposit rate will be the rate established for the most recent period for the manufacturer of the merchandise; and (4) the cash deposit rate for all other manufacturers or exporters is 2.40 percent.<sup>12</sup> These cash deposit requirements, when imposed, shall remain in effect until further notice.

### Notification to Interested Parties

This notice also serves as a preliminary reminder to importers of their responsibility under 19 CFR 351.402(f)(2) 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.

We are issuing and publishing these results in accordance with sections 751(a)(1) and 777(i)(1) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.213(h)(1).

Dated: July 28, 2017.

**Gary Taverman,**

*Deputy Assistant Secretary for Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Operations, Performing the non-exclusive functions and duties of the Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance.*

### Appendix

#### List of Topics Discussed in the Preliminary Decision Memorandum

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<sup>12</sup> See PET Film from Taiwan Amended Final Determination.

<sup>5</sup> See 19 CFR 351.224(b).

<sup>6</sup> See 19 CFR 351.309(c)(ii).

<sup>7</sup> See 19 CFR 351.309(d).

<sup>8</sup> See 19 CFR 351.309(c)(2) and (d)(2).

<sup>9</sup> See 19 CFR 351.303.

<sup>10</sup> See 19 CFR 351.310(c).

<sup>11</sup> See *Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Proceedings: Assessment of Antidumping Duties*, 68 FR 23954 (May 6, 2003) (*Assessment Policy Notice*). See also *Brass Sheet and Strip From Germany: Final Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review and Final Determination of No Shipments; 2013–2014*, 80 FR 61369 (October 13, 2015).

## 12. Recommendation

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

## International Trade Administration

[C-533-825]

**Polyethylene Terephthalate Film, Sheet, and Strip From India: Preliminary Results and Partial Rescission of Countervailing Duty Administrative Review; 2015**

**AGENCY:** Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Commerce (the Department) is conducting an administrative review of the countervailing duty (CVD) order on polyethylene terephthalate film, sheet and strip (PET film) from India for the period of review (POR) January 1, 2015, through December 31, 2015. We preliminarily determine that Jindal Poly Films Limited of India (Jindal) and SRF Limited (SRF) received countervailable subsidies during the POR. See the "Preliminary Results of Review" section, below. Interested parties are invited to comment on these preliminary results.

**DATES:** Applicable August 3, 2017.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Elfi Blum, AD/CVD Operations, Office VII, Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482-0197.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:****Partial Rescission of Administrative Review**

The Department initiated a review of ten companies in this segment of the proceeding.<sup>1</sup> In response to timely filed withdrawal requests, we are rescinding this administrative review with respect to Ester, Garware, Jindal Poly Films Ltd. (India), MTZ, Polyplex, Uflex Ltd., Vacmet, and Vacmet India Limited, pursuant to 19 CFR 351.213(d)(1). The

remaining companies subject to the instant review are Jindal and SRF, which the Department has selected as the mandatory respondents.<sup>2</sup>

**Scope of the Order**

The products covered by this order are all gauges of raw, pretreated, or primed polyethylene terephthalate film, sheet and strip, whether extruded or coextruded. Excluded are metallized films and other finished films that have had at least one of their surfaces modified by the application of a performance-enhancing resinous or inorganic layer of more than 0.00001 inches thick. Imports of PET film are classifiable in the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS) under item number 3920.62.00.90. HTSUS subheadings are provided for convenience and customs purposes. The written description of the scope of the order is dispositive.

**Methodology**

The Department is conducting this review in accordance with section 751(a)(1)(A) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act). For each of the subsidy programs found countervailable, we preliminarily determine that there is a subsidy, *i.e.*, a government-provided financial contribution that gives rise to a benefit to the recipient, and that the subsidy is specific.<sup>3</sup> For a full description of the methodology underlying our conclusions, see the Preliminary Decision Memorandum, dated concurrently with, and hereby adopted by, this notice. A list of topics included in the Preliminary Decision Memorandum is included as an Appendix to this notice.

The Preliminary Decision Memorandum is a public document and is on file electronically via Enforcement and Compliance's Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Centralized Electronic Service System (ACCESS). ACCESS is available to registered users at <http://access.trade.gov> and in the Central Records Unit, Room B8024 of the main Department of Commerce building. In addition, a complete version of the Preliminary Decision Memorandum can be accessed directly on the Internet at <http://trade.gov/enforcement/frn/index.html>. The signed

Preliminary Decision Memorandum and the electronic versions of the Preliminary Decision Memorandum are identical in content.

**Preliminary Results of Review**

We preliminarily determine the total estimated net countervailable subsidy rates for the period January 1, 2015, through December 31, 2015 to be:

Manufacturer/exporter	Subsidy rate (percent <i>ad valorem</i> )
Jindal Poly Films Limited of India .....	5.26
SRF Limited .....	5.79

**Disclosure and Public Comment**

The Department will disclose to parties to this proceeding the calculations performed in reaching the preliminary results within five days of the date of publication of these preliminary results.<sup>4</sup> Interested parties may submit written comments (case briefs) within 30 days of publication of the preliminary results and rebuttal comments (rebuttal briefs) within five days after the time limit for filing case briefs.<sup>5</sup> Rebuttal briefs must be limited to issues raised in the case briefs.<sup>6</sup> Parties who submit case or rebuttal briefs are requested to submit with the argument: (1) A statement of the issue; (2) a brief summary of the argument; and (3) a table of authorities.<sup>7</sup>

Interested parties who wish to request a hearing must do so within 30 days of publication of these preliminary results by submitting a written request to the Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance, U.S. Department of Commerce, using Enforcement and Compliance's ACCESS system.<sup>8</sup> Requests should contain the party's name, address, and telephone number, the number of participants, and a list of the issues to be discussed. If a request for a hearing is made, we will inform parties of the scheduled date for the hearing which will be held at the U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20230, at a time and location to be determined.<sup>9</sup> Parties should confirm by telephone the date, time, and location of the hearing. Issues addressed at the hearing will be limited to those raised in the briefs.<sup>10</sup> All briefs and hearing requests must be filed electronically and

<sup>1</sup> See *Initiation of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Administrative Reviews*, 81 FR 62720, 62727 (September 12, 2016). The ten companies were Ester, Garware, Jindal, Jindal Poly Films Ltd. (India), MTZ, Polyplex, SRF, Uflex Ltd., Vacmet, and Vacmet India Limited. DuPont Teijin Films, Mitsubishi Polyester Film, Inc., and SKC, Inc. (collectively Petitioners) requested a review for six companies (Ester, Garware, Polyplex, SRF, Jindal, and Vacmet). Polyplex USA requested a review for eight companies (Ester, Garware, Jindal, MTZ, Polyplex, SRF, Uflex Ltd., and Vacmet India Limited). In addition, Jindal Poly Films Ltd. (India) and SRF self-requested an administrative review.

<sup>2</sup> See Decision Memorandum for the Preliminary Results and Partial Rescission of the Countervailing Duty Administrative Review of Polyethylene Terephthalate Film, Sheet, and Strip from India; 2015, dated concurrently with this notice (Preliminary Decision Memorandum).

<sup>3</sup> See sections 771(5)(B) and (D) of the Act regarding financial contribution; section 771(5)(E) of the Act regarding benefit; and section 771(5A) of the Act regarding specificity.

<sup>4</sup> See 19 CFR 351.224(b).

<sup>5</sup> See 19 CFR 351.309(c)(1)(ii) and 351.309(d)(1).

<sup>6</sup> See 19 CFR 351.309(d)(2).

<sup>7</sup> See 19 CFR 351.309(c)(2) and (d)(2).

<sup>8</sup> See 19 CFR 351.310(c).

<sup>9</sup> See 19 CFR 351.310.

<sup>10</sup> See 19 CFR 351.310(c).