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Members of the public are also entitled to submit written comments; the comments must be received in the regional office within 30 days following the meeting. Written comments may be mailed to the Regional Programs Unit Office, U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, 55 W. Monroe St., Suite 410, Chicago, IL 60615. They may also be faxed to the Commission at (312) 353-8324, or emailed to Carolyn Allen at [callen@usccr.gov](mailto:callen@usccr.gov). Persons who desire additional information may contact the Regional Programs Unit Office at (312) 353-8311.

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#### Agenda

Welcome and Roll Call  
Discussion: Voting Rights in Indiana  
Public Comment  
Future Plans and Actions  
Adjournment

Dated: December 20, 2017.

**David Mussatt,**

*Supervisory Chief, Regional Programs Unit.*

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#### DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

##### Economic Development Administration

##### Notice of Petitions by Firms for Determination of Eligibility To Apply for Trade Adjustment Assistance

**AGENCY:** Economic Development Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice and opportunity for public comment.

**SUMMARY:** The Economic Development Administration (EDA) has received petitions for certification of eligibility to apply for Trade Adjustment Assistance from the firms listed below.

Accordingly, EDA has initiated investigations to determine whether increased imports into the United States of articles like or directly competitive with those produced by each of the firms contributed importantly to the total or partial separation of the firms' workers, or threat thereof, and to a decrease in sales or production of each petitioning firm.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Any party having a substantial interest in these proceedings may request a public hearing on the matter. A written request for a hearing must be submitted to the Trade Adjustment Assistance Division, Room 71030, Economic Development Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, Washington, DC 20230, no later than ten (10) calendar days following publication of this notice. These petitions are received pursuant to section 251 of the Trade Act of 1974, as amended.

#### LIST OF PETITIONS RECEIVED BY EDA FOR CERTIFICATION OF ELIGIBILITY TO APPLY FOR TRADE ADJUSTMENT ASSISTANCE

[11/17/2017 through 12/18/2017]

Firm name	Firm address	Date accepted for investigation	Product(s)
Eminence Speaker, LLC .....	838 Mulberry Pike, Eminence, KY 40019.	12/14/2017	The firm manufactures loudspeakers for home use, automobiles, and professional and commercial uses.
SolarWorld Americas, Inc .....	25300 NW Evergreen Road, Hillsboro, OR 97124.	12/14/2017	The firm manufactures solar cells and solar modules.

Please follow the requirements set forth in EDA's regulations at 13 CFR 315.9 for procedures to request a public hearing. The Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance official number and title for the program under which these petitions are submitted is 11.313, Trade Adjustment Assistance for Firms.

**Irette Patterson,**

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#### DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

##### Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[Order No. 2042]

##### Approval of Expanded Subzone Status; BMW Manufacturing Company, LLC; Duncan, South Carolina

Pursuant to its authority under the Foreign-Trade Zones Act of June 18, 1934, as amended (19 U.S.C. 81a-81u), the Foreign-Trade Zones Board (the Board) adopts the following Order:

*Whereas*, the Foreign-Trade Zones (FTZ) Act provides for “. . . the establishment . . . of foreign-trade zones in ports of entry of the United States, to expedite and encourage foreign commerce, and for other purposes,” and authorizes the Foreign-Trade Zones Board to grant to qualified corporations the privilege of

establishing foreign-trade zones in or adjacent to U.S. Customs and Border Protection ports of entry;

*Whereas*, the Board's regulations (15 CFR part 400) provide for the establishment of subzones for specific uses;

*Whereas*, the South Carolina State Ports Authority, grantee of Foreign-Trade Zone 38, has made application to the Board to expand subzone 38A on behalf of BMW Manufacturing Company, LLC, located in Duncan, South Carolina (FTZ Docket B-55-2017, docketed August 16, 2017);

*Whereas*, notice inviting public comment has been given in the **Federal Register** (82 FR 39759, August 22, 2017) and the application has been processed pursuant to the FTZ Act and the Board's regulations; and,

*Whereas*, the Board adopts the findings and recommendations of the

examiner's memorandum, and finds that the requirements of the FTZ Act and the Board's regulations are satisfied;

Now, therefore, the Board hereby approves the expansion of subzone 38A on behalf of BMW Manufacturing Company, LLC, as described in the application and **Federal Register** notice, subject to the FTZ Act and the Board's regulations, including Section 400.13.

Dated: December 20, 2017.

**Gary Taverman,**

*Deputy Assistant Secretary for AD/CVD Operations performing the non-exclusive functions and duties of the Assistant Secretary for Enforcement & Compliance Alternate Chairman, Foreign-Trade Zones Board.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### International Trade Administration

[A-570-979, C-570-980]

#### **Crystalline Silicon Photovoltaic Cells, Whether or Not Assembled Into Modules, From the People's Republic of China: Preliminary Results of Changed Circumstances Reviews, and Intent To Revoke Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Orders in Part**

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

**SUMMARY:** On October 6, 2017, the Department of Commerce (Commerce) received a request for revocation, in part, of the antidumping duty (AD) and countervailing duty (CVD) orders on crystalline silicon photovoltaic cells, whether or not assembled into modules, from the People's Republic of China (China) with respect to certain solar panels. We preliminarily determine that the *Orders* shall be revoked, in part, with respect to certain solar panels of a sufficiently small size, voltage, amperage, and wattage, among other characteristics, as described below. Commerce invites interested parties to comment on these preliminary results.

**DATES:** Applicable December 26, 2017.

#### **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Lauren Caserta or Kaitlin Wojnar, 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) 482-4737 and (202) 482-3857, respectively.

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

#### **Background**

On December 7, 2012, Commerce published AD and CVD orders on certain crystalline silicon photovoltaic cells, whether or not assembled into modules, from China.<sup>1</sup> On October 6, 2017, Pitsco, Inc. d/b/a/Pitsco Education (Pitsco), an importer of the subject merchandise, requested through a changed circumstances review revocation, in part, of the *Orders* pursuant to section 751(b)(1) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act) and 19 CFR 351.216(b), with respect to certain solar panels.<sup>2</sup> On October 13, 2017, SolarWorld Americas, Inc. (the petitioner) submitted a letter stating that it does not oppose the scope exclusion language proposed by Pitsco.<sup>3</sup> From October 25, 2017, through November 8, 2017,<sup>4</sup> Commerce consulted with both Pitsco and SolarWorld regarding revisions to the proposed exclusion language; specifically, Commerce suggested limiting the language to a description of the physical characteristics of the product and also expressed concerns regarding the dimensions indicated in the description.<sup>5</sup> Accordingly, on November 10, 2017, Pitsco submitted revised exclusion language based on these consultations.<sup>6</sup> On November 13, 2017, SolarWorld submitted a letter stating that it does not oppose the revised exclusion language submitted by Pitsco on November 10, 2017.<sup>7</sup>

On November 27, 2017, Commerce published the notice of initiation of the requested changed circumstances reviews.<sup>8</sup> Because the statement

<sup>1</sup> *Crystalline Silicon Photovoltaic Cells, Whether or Not Assembled into Modules, from the People's Republic of China: Amended Final Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value, and Antidumping Duty Order*, 77 FR 73018 (December 7, 2012) and *Crystalline Silicon Photovoltaic Cells, Whether or Not Assembled into Modules, From the People's Republic of China: Countervailing Duty Order*, 77 FR 73017 (December 7, 2012) (collectively, *Orders*).

<sup>2</sup> Pitsco's Letter, "Request for Changed Circumstances Review (A-570-980; C-570-979)," dated October 6, 2017 (Pitsco's Request).

<sup>3</sup> SolarWorld's Letter, "Pitsco, Inc.'s Scope Exclusion Language—Letter of No Opposition," dated October 13, 2017 (Letter of No Opposition).

<sup>4</sup> Memorandum, "Ex Parte Communications with Adduci, Mastriani and Wiley Rein," dated November 13, 2017 (*Ex Parte Memo*).

<sup>5</sup> *Id.*

<sup>6</sup> Pitsco's Letter, "Amended Changed Circumstances Review (A-570-980; C-570-979)," dated November 10, 2017 (Pitsco's Amended Request).

<sup>7</sup> SolarWorld's Letter, "Pitsco, Inc.'s Scope Exclusion Language—Letter of No Opposition," dated November 13, 2017 (Revised Letter of No Opposition).

<sup>8</sup> *Crystalline Silicon Photovoltaic Cells, Whether or Not Assembled into Modules, from the People's Republic of China: Notice of Initiation of Changed Circumstances Reviews, and Consideration of Revocation of the Antidumping and Countervailing*

submitted by the petitioner in support of Pitsco's amended request did not indicate whether the petitioner accounts for substantially all of the domestic production of crystalline silicon photovoltaic cells, in the *Initiation Notice*, we invited interested parties to submit comments concerning industry support for the potential revocation, in part, as well as comments and/or factual information regarding the changed circumstances reviews.<sup>9</sup> No comments or factual information was submitted by any party.

#### **Scope of the Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Orders on Certain Crystalline Silicon Photovoltaic Cells, Whether or Not Assembled Into Modules, From the People's Republic of China**

The merchandise covered by the orders is crystalline silicon photovoltaic cells, and modules, laminates, and panels, consisting of crystalline silicon photovoltaic cells, whether or not partially or fully assembled into other products, including, but not limited to, modules, laminates, panels and building integrated materials.

The orders cover crystalline silicon photovoltaic cells of thickness equal to or greater than 20 micrometers, having a p/n junction formed by any means, whether or not the cell has undergone other processing, including, but not limited to, cleaning, etching, coating, and/or addition of materials (including, but not limited to, metallization and conductor patterns) to collect and forward the electricity that is generated by the cell.

Merchandise under consideration may be described at the time of importation as parts for final finished products that are assembled after importation, including, but not limited to, modules, laminates, panels, building-integrated modules, building-integrated panels, or other finished goods kits. Such parts that otherwise meet the definition of merchandise under consideration are included in the scope of the orders.

Excluded from the scope of the orders are thin film photovoltaic products produced from amorphous silicon (a-Si), cadmium telluride (CdTe), or copper indium gallium selenide (CIGS).

Also excluded from the scope of the orders are crystalline silicon photovoltaic cells, not exceeding 10,000 mm<sup>2</sup> in surface area, that are permanently integrated into a consumer good whose function is other than

*Duty Orders in Part*, 82 FR 55987 (Nov. 27, 2017) (Solar CCR Initiation Notice).

<sup>9</sup> *Id.*