

Ltd.; and Sung-A Steel Co., Ltd.<sup>8</sup> There are no other active review requests for these companies.

### Rescission in Part

Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.213(d)(1), Commerce will rescind an administrative review, in whole or in part, if a petitioner who requested the review withdraws the request within 90 days of the date of publication of notice of initiation of the requested review, and no other party requested a review of the company for which the petitioner requested a review. Petitioners timely withdrew their request for review of the 14 companies, as detailed above, and no other party requested a review of said companies. Accordingly, Commerce is rescinding this review of hot-rolled steel from Korea for the POR, with respect to those 14 companies, in accordance with 19 CFR 351.213(d)(1). This administrative review will continue with respect to Hyundai Steel.

### Assessment

Commerce will instruct U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) to assess countervailing duties on all appropriate entries. For the companies for which this review is rescinded, countervailing duties shall be assessed at rates equal to the cash deposit of estimated antidumping duties required at the time of entry, or withdrawal from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). Commerce intends to issue appropriate assessment instructions directly to CBP 15 days after publication of this notice.

### Notification to Importers

This notice serves as a reminder to importers of their responsibility under 19 CFR 351.402(f)(2) to file a certificate regarding the reimbursement of countervailing duties prior to liquidation of the relevant entries during this review period. Failure to comply with this requirement could result in the presumption that reimbursement of countervailing duties occurred and the subsequent assessment of doubled countervailing duties.

### Notification Regarding Administrative Protective Orders

This notice also serves as a reminder to parties subject to administrative protective order (APO) of their responsibility concerning the return or destruction of proprietary information disclosed under APO in accordance with 19 CFR 351.305(a)(3), which

continues to govern business proprietary information in this segment of the proceeding. Timely written notification of the return/destruction of APO materials or conversion to judicial protective order is hereby requested. Failure to comply with the regulations and terms of an APO is a violation which is subject to sanction.

### Notification to Interested Parties

This notice is issued and published in accordance with section 751(a)(1) and 777(i)(1) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, and 19 CFR 351.213(d)(4).

Dated: June 7, 2019.

**James Maeder,**

*Associate Deputy Assistant Secretary for Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Operations.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### International Trade Administration

[A-570-001]

### Potassium Permanganate From the People's Republic of China: Rescission of 2018 Antidumping Duty Administrative Review

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

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Commerce (Commerce) is rescinding the administrative review of the antidumping duty order on potassium permanganate from the People's Republic of China (China) for the period of review (POR), January 1, 2018, through December 31, 2018.

**DATES:** Applicable June 12, 2019.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Omar Qureshi, AD/CVD Operations, Office V, Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20230; telephone: 202-482-5307.

### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

#### Background

On February 8, 2019, Commerce published in the **Federal Register** a notice of opportunity to request an administrative review of, among other orders, the antidumping duty order on potassium permanganate from China for the POR, January 1, 2018, to December 31, 2018.<sup>1</sup> On February 28, 2019, Pacific

Accelerator Limited (PAL) and its affiliate Chongqing Changyuan Group Limited (Chongqing Changyuan Chemical Corporation Limited (Changyuan)) filed a timely request for review, in accordance with 751(a) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act).<sup>2</sup> On April 1, 2019, based on this request and accordance with section 751(a) of the Act, Commerce published in the **Federal Register** a notice of initiation of an administrative review of the antidumping duty order on potassium permanganate from China, covering the POR.<sup>3</sup> On May 3, 2019, PAL and Changyuan timely withdrew their request for administrative review.<sup>4</sup>

### Rescission of Review

Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.213(d)(1), the Secretary will rescind an administrative review, in whole or in part, if the party that requested the review withdraws its request within 90 days of the date of publication of the notice of initiation of the requested review. PAL and Changyuan were the only respondents party to this review. As noted above, PAL and Changyuan withdrew their requests for review by the 90-day deadline. Commerce received no other requests for review of PAL and Changyuan or with respect to any other companies. As a result, Commerce is rescinding the administrative review of potassium permanganate from China covering the POR in its entirety.

### Assessment

We will instruct U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) to assess antidumping duties on all appropriate entries. Because Commerce is rescinding this administrative review in its entirety, the entries to which this administrative review pertained shall be assessed 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). Commerce intends to issue appropriate assessment

<sup>2</sup> See letter from PAL and Changyuan, "Request for Administrative Review of the Antidumping Duty Order on Potassium Permanganate from the People's Republic of China," dated February 28, 2019.

<sup>3</sup> See *Initiation of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Administrative Reviews*, 84 FR 12200 (April 1, 2019).

<sup>4</sup> See letter from PAL, "Pacific Accelerator Limited's Withdrawal of Request for Review: Administrative Review of the Antidumping Duty Order on Potassium Permanganate from the People's Republic of China," dated May 3, 2019; see also letter from Changyuan, "Chongqing Changyuan Group Limited's Withdrawal of Request for Review, Administrative Review of the Antidumping Duty Order on Potassium Permanganate from the People's Republic of China," dated May 3, 2019.

<sup>8</sup> See Petitioners' Letter, "Certain Hot-Rolled Flat Products from the Republic of Korea: Partial Withdrawal of Request for Administrative Review," dated April 22, 2019.

<sup>1</sup> See *Antidumping or Countervailing Duty Order, Finding, or Suspended Investigation; Opportunity to Request Administrative Review*, 84 FR 2816 (February 8, 2019).

instructions to CBP 15 days after the publication of this notice.

#### Notifications

This notice serves as a final 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 Commerce's presumption that reimbursement of the antidumping duties occurred and the subsequent assessment of doubled antidumping duties.

This notice also serves as a final reminder to parties subject to administrative protective order (APO) of their responsibility concerning the return or destruction of proprietary information disclosed under APO in accordance with 19 CFR 351.305, which continues to govern business proprietary information in this segment of the proceeding. Timely written notification of the return/destruction of APO materials or conversion to judicial protective order is hereby requested. Failure to comply with the regulations and terms of an APO is a violation which is subject to sanction.

This notice is issued and published in accordance with sections 751(a)(1) and 777(i)(1) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.213(d)(4).

Dated: June 6, 2019.

**James Maeder,**

*Associate Deputy Assistant Secretary for Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Operations.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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#### **Takes of Marine Mammals Incidental to Specified Activities; Taking Marine Mammals Incidental to a Marine Geophysical Survey in the Gulf of Alaska**

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

**ACTION:** Notice; Issuance of an Incidental Harassment Authorization.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the regulations implementing the Marine Mammal Protection Act (MMPA) as amended, notification is hereby given

that NMFS has issued an incidental harassment authorization (IHA) to Lamont-Doherty Earth Observatory of Columbia University (L-DEO) to incidentally harass, by Level A and Level B harassment, marine mammals during seismic airgun activities associated with a marine geophysical survey in the Gulf of Alaska.

**DATES:** This Authorization is effective from June 1, 2019 through May 31, 2020.

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

Amy Fowler, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, (301) 427-8401. Electronic copies of the application and supporting documents, as well as a list of the references cited in this document, may be obtained online at: <https://www.fisheries.noaa.gov/national/marine-mammal-protection/incidental-take-authorizations-research-and-other-activities>. In case of problems accessing these documents, please call the contact listed above.

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

##### **Background**

The MMPA prohibits the "take" of marine mammals, with certain exceptions. Sections 101(a)(5)(A) and (D) of the MMPA (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*) direct the Secretary of Commerce (as delegated to NMFS) to allow, upon request, the incidental, but not intentional, taking of small numbers of marine mammals by U.S. citizens who engage in a specified activity (other than commercial fishing) within a specified geographical region if certain findings are made and either regulations are issued or, if the taking is limited to harassment, a notice of a proposed incidental take authorization may be provided to the public for review.

Authorization for incidental takings shall be granted if NMFS finds that the taking will have a negligible impact on the species or stock(s) and will not have an unmitigable adverse impact on the availability of the species or stock(s) for taking for subsistence uses (where relevant). Further, NMFS must prescribe the permissible methods of taking and other means of effecting the least practicable adverse impact on the affected species or stocks and their habitat, paying particular attention to rookeries, mating grounds, and areas of similar significance, and on the availability of such species or stocks for taking for certain subsistence uses (referred to in shorthand as "mitigation"); and requirements pertaining to the mitigation, monitoring and reporting of such takings are set forth.

The definitions of all applicable MMPA statutory terms cited above are included in the relevant sections below.

#### **Summary of Request**

On November 20, 2018, NMFS received a request from L-DEO for an IHA to take marine mammals incidental to conducting seismic geophysical surveys in the Gulf of Alaska along the Alaska Peninsula subduction zone. On December 19, 2018, NMFS received a revised copy of the application, and that application was deemed adequate and complete on February 11, 2019. L-DEO's request is for take of a small number of 21 marine mammal species by Level B harassment and Level A harassment. Underwater sound associated with airgun use may result in the behavioral harassment or auditory injury of marine mammals in the ensonified areas. Neither L-DEO nor NMFS expects serious injury or mortality to result from this activity and, therefore, an IHA is appropriate.

NMFS previously issued an IHA to L-DEO for similar work (76 FR 38621; July 1, 2011). L-DEO complied with all the requirements (e.g., mitigation, monitoring, and reporting) of the previous IHA and information regarding their monitoring results may be found in the "Description of Marine Mammals in the Area of Specified Activities."

#### **Description of the Specified Activity**

##### **Overview**

The specified activity consists of a high energy geophysical seismic survey conducted in a portion of the Gulf of Alaska. Researchers from Lamont-Doherty Earth Observatory (L-DEO and other institutions, with funding from NSF, plan to conduct the seismic survey from the Research Vessel (R/V) *Marcus G. Langseth (Langseth)* in the Gulf of Alaska during 2019. The NSF-owned *Langseth* is operated by Columbia University's L-DEO under an existing Cooperative Agreement. The planned seismic survey would likely occur in the Gulf of Alaska off the Alaska Peninsula and the eastern Aleutian islands during late spring 2019 and would use a 36-airgun towed array with a total discharge volume of ~6600 in<sup>3</sup>. The survey would take place within the U.S. Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ), in water ~15 to ~6184 m deep and would take advantage of a network of ocean bottom seismometers (OBSs) and onshore seismometers currently installed in the area. During the survey, approximately 13 percent of the survey kilometers would take place in shallow water (<100 meter (m)), 27 percent would occur in intermediate water