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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

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Certain Polyethylene Terephthalate Resin from India: Notice of Rescission of Countervailing Duty Administrative Review, 2015-2016

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

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce (the Department) is rescinding the administrative review of the countervailing duty (CVD) order on certain polyethylene terephthalate resin (PET resin) from India for the period August 14, 2015, to December 31, 2016, based on a timely withdrawal of the request for review.

DATES: Applicable [INSERT DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE *FEDERAL REGISTER*].

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On May 1, 2017, the Department published in the *Federal Register* a notice of opportunity to request an administrative review of the CVD order on PET resin from India for the period August 14, 2015, to December 31, 2016.¹ On May 31, 2017, the Department received a timely request, in accordance with section 751(a) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the

¹ See *Antidumping or Countervailing Duty Order, Finding, or Suspended Investigation; Opportunity to Request Administrative Review*, 82 FR 20315 (May 1, 2017).

Act), from Ester Industries Ltd. (Ester), an exporter of subject merchandise, to conduct an administrative review of this CVD order.² Based upon this request, on July 6, 2017, in accordance with section 751(a) of the Act, the Department published in the *Federal Register* a notice of initiation of administrative review for this CVD order, with respect to Ester.³ On July 17, 2017, Ester timely withdrew its request for an administrative review.⁴

Rescission of Review

Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.213(d)(1), the Secretary will rescind an administrative review, in whole or in part, if a party who requested the review withdraws the request within 90 days of the date of publication of the notice of initiation of the requested review. As noted above, Ester withdrew its request for review by the 90-day deadline. No other party requested an administrative review of Ester. Accordingly, we are rescinding the administrative review of the CVD order on PET resin from India covering the period August 14, 2015, to December 31, 2016.

Assessment

The Department will instruct Customs and Border Protection (CBP) to assess CVDs on all appropriate entries at a rate equal to the cash deposit of estimated CVDs required at the time of entry, or withdrawal from warehouse, for consumption, during the period August 14, 2015, to December 31, 2016, in accordance with 19 CFR 351.212(c)(1)(i). The Department intends to issue appropriate assessment instructions directly to CBP 15 days after publication of this notice in the *Federal Register*.

² See Ester's May 31, 2017, Request for CVD Administrative Review.

³ See *Initiation of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Administrative Reviews*, 82 FR 31292 (July 6, 2017) (*Initiation Notice*).

⁴ See Ester's July 17, 2017, Withdrawal of Administrative Review Request.

Notification Regarding Administrative Protective Order

This notice 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 an APO in accordance with 19 CFR 351.305(a)(3). 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 of the Act and 19 CFR 351.213(d)(4).

Dated: October 10, 2017.

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for Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Operations,

performing the non-exclusive functions and duties of the

Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance.

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