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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

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Stainless Steel Sheet and Strip from the People's Republic of China: Rescission of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review; 2018-2019

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 (AD) order on stainless steel sheet and strip from the People's Republic of China for the period April 1, 2018, through March 31, 2019.

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

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On April 1, 2019, Commerce published a notice of opportunity to request an administrative review of the AD order on stainless steel sheet and strip (SSSS) from the People's Republic of China (China) for the period April 1, 2018, through March 31, 2019.¹ On April 30,

¹ See *Antidumping or Countervailing Duty Order, Finding, or Suspended Investigation; Opportunity to Request Administrative Review*, 84 FR 12207 (April 1, 2019).

2019, the petitioners² filed a timely request for review with respect to specific companies and affiliates from China, in accordance with section 751(a) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act), and 19 CFR 351.213(b).³ Pursuant to this request, and in accordance with section 751(a) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.221(c)(1)(i), we initiated an administrative review of the order.⁴ On June 19, 2019, the petitioners filed a timely withdrawal of request for the administrative review with respect to all entities for which it had requested a review.⁵

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 the request within 90 days of the date of publication of the notice of initiation of the requested review. As noted above, the petitioners, who were the only party to file a request for review, withdrew their request by the 90-day deadline. Accordingly, we are rescinding the administrative review of the AD order on SSSS from China for the period April 1, 2018, through March 31, 2019, in its entirety.

Assessment

Commerce will instruct U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) to assess AD duties on all appropriate entries of SSSS from China. AD duties shall be assessed at rates equal to the cash deposit of estimated AD 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 to CBP 15 days after the date of publication of this notice in the *Federal Register*.

² The petitioners are AK Steel Corporation, Allegheny Ludlum, LLC d/b/a ATI Flat Rolled Products, North American Stainless, and Outokumpu Stainless USA, LLC.

³ See Petitioners' Letter, "Antidumping Duty Order on Stainless Steel Sheet and Strip from the People's Republic of China – Petitioners' Request for Initiation of Second Administrative Review," dated April 30, 2019.

⁴ See *Initiation of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Administrative Reviews*, 84 FR 27587 (June 13, 2019).

⁵ See Petitioners' Letter, "Antidumping Duty Order on Stainless Steel Sheet and Strip from the People's Republic of China-Petitioners' Withdrawal of Requests for Second Administrative Review" dated June 19, 2019.

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 AD 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 AD duties occurred and the subsequent assessment of doubled AD duties.

Notification Regarding Administrative Protective Orders

This notice also serves as a reminder to all parties subject to administrative protective order (APO) of their responsibility concerning the disposition of proprietary information disclosed under APO in accordance with 19 CFR 351.305. 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: September 24, 2019.

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for Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Operations.

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