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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

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Honey 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 honey from the People's Republic of China (China) for the period of review (POR) December 1, 2018 through November 30, 2019.

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

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On December 6, 2019, Commerce published in the *Federal Register* a notice of opportunity to request an administrative review of the AD order on honey from China.¹ On February 6, 2020, pursuant to a request from interested parties, Commerce initiated an administrative review with respect to ten companies, in accordance with section 751(a) of the

¹ See *Antidumping or Countervailing Duty Order, Finding, or Suspended Investigation; Opportunity to Request Administrative Review*, 84 FR 66880 (December 6, 2019).

Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act), and 19 CFR 351.213(b).² On March 30, 2020, the petitioners³ timely withdrew their request for an administrative review with respect to all of the companies for which a review had been requested.⁴ No other party requested an administrative review of these companies.

Rescission of Review

Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.213(d)(1), Commerce 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 publication date of the notice of initiation. The petitioners timely withdrew their review request, in whole, within 90 days of the publication date of the *Initiation Notice*. No other party requested an administrative review of the order for this POR. Therefore, in accordance with 19 CFR 351.213(d)(1), we are rescinding this review in its entirety.

Assessment

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

² See *Initiation of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Administrative Reviews*, 85 FR 6896 (February 6, 2020) (*Initiation Notice*).

³ Collectively, the petitioners are the American Honey Producers Association and Sioux Honey Association.

⁴ See Petitioners' Letter, "Honey from the People's Republic of China – Petitioners' Withdrawal of Request for Administrative Review; 2018-2019," dated March 30, 2020.

Notification to Importers

This notice serves as the only reminder to importers whose entries will be liquidated as a result of this rescission notice, 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 presumption that reimbursement of the antidumping duties occurred and the subsequent assessment of double antidumping duties.

Notification Regarding Administrative Protective Order

This notice also serves as the only reminder to 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(a)(3). Timely written notification of the return or 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 sanctionable violation.

Notification to Interested Parties

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

Dated: April 6, 2020.

James Maeder,
Deputy Assistant Secretary
for Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Operations.
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