DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

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Magnesium Metal from the People’s Republic of China: Final Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review; 2019-2020

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

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce (Commerce) continues to find that Tianjin Magnesium International, Co., Ltd. (TMI) and Tianjin Magnesium Metal, Co., Ltd. (TMM) had no shipments of subject merchandise covered by the antidumping duty order on magnesium metal from the People’s Republic of China (China) for the period of review (POR) April 1, 2019, through May 31, 2020.

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


SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION:

Background

On March 4, 2021, Commerce published the Preliminary Results of this administrative review in the Federal Register.¹ No interested party submitted comments concerning the Preliminary Results or requested a hearing in this administrative review. Commerce conducted

¹ See Magnesium Metal from the People’s Republic of China: Preliminary Results of Antidumping Administrative Review; 2019-20, 86 FR 12621 (March 4, 2021) (Preliminary Results).
this administrative review in accordance with section 751 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act). The current deadline for these final results is July 2, 2021.

Scope of the Order\(^2\)

The product covered by the Order is magnesium metal from China, which includes primary and secondary alloy magnesium metal, regardless of chemistry, raw material source, form, shape, or size. Magnesium is a metal or alloy containing by weight primarily the element magnesium. Primary magnesium is produced by decomposing raw materials into magnesium metal. Secondary magnesium is produced by recycling magnesium-based scrap into magnesium metal. The magnesium covered by the Order includes blends of primary and secondary magnesium. The subject merchandise includes the following alloy magnesium metal products made from primary and/or secondary magnesium including, without limitation, magnesium cast into ingots, slabs, rounds, billets, and other shapes; magnesium ground, chipped, crushed, or machined into rasping, granules, turnings, chips, powder, briquettes, and other shapes; and products that contain 50 percent or greater, but less than 99.8 percent, magnesium, by weight, and that have been entered into the United States as conforming to an “ASTM Specification for Magnesium Alloy”\(^3\) and are thus outside the scope of the existing antidumping orders on magnesium from China (generally referred to as “alloy” magnesium).

The scope of the Order excludes: (1) All forms of pure magnesium, including chemical combinations of magnesium and other material(s) in which the pure magnesium content is 50 percent or greater, but less than 99.8 percent, by weight, that do not conform to an “ASTM Specification for Magnesium Alloy”;\(^4\) (2) magnesium that is in liquid or molten form; and (3)


\(^3\) The meaning of this term is the same as that used by the American Society for Testing and Materials in its Annual Book for ASTM Standards: Volume 01.02 Aluminum and Magnesium Alloys.

\(^4\) The material is already covered by existing antidumping orders. See Notice of Antidumping Duty Orders: Pure Magnesium from the People’s Republic of China, the Russian Federation and Ukraine; Notice of Amended Final Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value: Antidumping Duty Investigation of Pure Magnesium from the Russian Federation, 60 FR 25691 (May 12, 1995); and Antidumping Duty Order: Pure Magnesium in Granular Form from the People’s Republic of China, 66 FR 57936 (November 19, 2001).
mixtures containing 90 percent or less magnesium in granular or powder form by weight and one
or more of certain non-magnesium granular materials to make magnesium-based reagent
mixtures, including lime, calcium metal, calcium silicon, calcium carbide, calcium carbonate,
carbon, slag coagulants, fluorspar, nepheline syenite, feldspar, alumina (Al2O3), calcium
aluminate, soda ash, hydrocarbons, graphite, coke, silicon, rare earth metals/mischmetal, cryolite,
silica/fly ash, magnesium oxide, periclase, ferroalloys, dolomite lime, and colemanite. The
merchandise subject to this Order is classifiable under items 8104.19.00, and 8104.30.00 of the
Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS). Although the HTSUS subheadings
are provided for convenience and customs purposes, the written description of the merchandise is
dispositive.

Final Determination of No Shipments

In the Preliminary Results, Commerce determined TMI and TMM had no shipments of
subject merchandise to the United States during the POR. As noted in the Preliminary Results,
we received no-shipment statements from TMI and TMM, and the statements were consistent
with the information we received from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP). Because
Commerce did not receive any comments on its preliminary finding, Commerce continues to find
that TMI and TMM did not have any shipments of subject merchandise during the POR.

Assessment Rates

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5 This third exclusion for magnesium-based reagent mixtures is based on the exclusion for reagent mixtures in the
2000-2001 investigations of magnesium from China, Israel, and Russia. See Final Determination of Sales at Less
Than Fair Value: Pure Magnesium in Granular Form from the People’s Republic of China, 66 FR 49345
(September 27, 2001); see also Final Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value: Pure Magnesium from
Israel, 66 FR 49349 (September 27, 2001); and Final Determination of Sales at Not Less Than Fair Value: Pure
Magnesium from the Russian Federation, 66 FR 49347 (September 27, 2001). These mixtures are not magnesium
alloys, because they are not combined in liquid form and cast into the same ingot.
6 See Preliminary Results, 86 FR at 12622.
7 See Memorandum, “Correction of February 2, 2021 Memorandum Placing CBP Data on the Record,” dated
February 3, 2021; see also Memorandum, “Magnesium Metal from China; No Shipment Inquiry for Tianjin
Magnesium International Co., Ltd and Tianjin Magnesium Metal Co., Ltd. during the period 04/01/2019 through
03/31/2020,” dated February 24, 2021. On February 5, 2021, Commerce issued a no shipment inquiry to CBP with
respect to TMI and TMM. On February 18, 2021, CBP responded that it had no evidence of shipments of
magnesium metal from China exported by TMI and TMM during the POR.
We have not calculated any assessment rates in this administrative review. Based on record evidence, we have determined that TMI and TMM had no shipments of subject merchandise during the POR, and, therefore, pursuant to Commerce’s assessment practice, any suspended entries entered under their case numbers will be liquidated at the China-wide entity rate.\textsuperscript{8}

Commerce intends to issue assessment instructions to CBP no earlier than 35 days after the date of publication of the final results of this review in the \textit{Federal Register}. If a timely summons is filed at the U.S. Court of International Trade, the assessment instructions will direct CBP not to liquidate relevant entries until the time for parties to file a request for a statutory injunction has expired (\textit{i.e.}, within 90 days of publication).

\textbf{Cash Deposit Requirements}

The following cash deposit requirements will be effective upon publication of the final results of this review for shipments of subject merchandise from China entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after the publication date, as provided by section 751(a)(2)(C) of the Act: (1) for previously investigated or reviewed Chinese and non-Chinese exporters that received a separate rate in a prior segment of this proceeding, including TMI, the cash deposit rate will continue to be the existing exporter-specific rate; (2) for all Chinese exporters of subject merchandise that have not been found to be entitled to a separate rate, including TMM, the cash deposit rate will be the China-wide rate of 141.49 percent;\textsuperscript{9} and (3) for all non-Chinese exporters of subject merchandise which have not received their own rate, the cash deposit rate will be the rate applicable to the Chinese exporter(s) that supplied that non-Chinese exporter. These cash deposit requirements, when imposed, shall remain in effect until further notice.

\textbf{Notification to Importers}


\textsuperscript{9} \textit{See Order}.
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 antidumping duties occurred and the subsequent assessment of doubled antidumping duties.

Notification Regarding Administrative Protection 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 of destruction of APO materials or conversion to judicial protective order is hereby requested. Failure to comply with the regulations and the terms of an APO is a sanctionable violation.

Notification to Interested Parties

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

Dated: July 1, 2021.

Christian Marsh,
Acting Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance.

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