



DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

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Stainless Steel Bar from India: Final Results of the Expedited Fifth Sunset Review of the Antidumping Duty Order

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

SUMMARY: As a result of this expedited sunset review, the U.S. Department of Commerce (Commerce) finds that revocation of the antidumping duty (AD) order on stainless steel bar (SS Bar) from India would be likely to lead to continuation or recurrence of dumping at the levels indicated in the “Final Results of Expedited Sunset Review” section of this notice.

DATES: Applicable [Insert date of publication in the *Federal Register*].

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On February 21, 1995, Commerce published in the *Federal Register* the AD Order on SS Bar from India.¹ On September 1, 2023, Commerce published *Initiation Notice* of the fifth sunset review of the Order, pursuant to section 751(c) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act), and 19 CFR 351.218(c)(2).²

On September 15, 2023, Commerce received a notice of intent to participate from Carpenter Technology Corporation, Crucible Industries LLC, Electralloy, a G.O., Carlson, Inc. Company,

¹ See *Antidumping Duty Orders: Stainless Steel Bar from Brazil, India and Japan*, 60 FR 9661 (February 21, 1995) (Order).

² See *Initiation of Five-Year Reviews*, 88 FR 60438 (September 1, 2023) (*Initiation Notice*).

Marcegaglia Stainless Richburg, LLC, North American Stainless, Universal Stainless & Alloy Products, Inc., and Valbruna Slater Stainless, Inc. (collectively, the petitioners) within the deadline specified in 19 CFR 351.218(d)(1)(i).³ The petitioners claimed interested party status under section 771(9)(C) of the Act as producers of a domestic like product in the United States.

On September 29, 2023, we received a timely, adequate substantive response to the *Initiation Notice* from the petitioners within the 30-day deadline specified in 19 CFR 218(d)(3)(i).⁴ We received no substantive response from respondent parties nor was a hearing requested.

On October 25, 2023, Commerce notified the U.S. International Trade Commission (ITC) that it did not receive adequate substantive responses from any other interested parties.⁵ As a result, pursuant to section 751(c)(3)(B) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.218(e)(1)(ii)(C)(2), Commerce conducted an expedited, *i.e.*, 120-day, sunset review of the *Order*.

Scope of the *Order*

The merchandise subject to the *Order* is SS Bar. SS Bar means articles of stainless steel in straight lengths that have been either hot-rolled, forged, turned, cold-drawn, cold-rolled or otherwise cold-finished, or ground, having a uniform solid cross section along their whole length in the shape of circles, segments of circles, ovals, rectangles (including squares), triangles, hexagons, octagons or other convex polygons. SS Bar includes cold-finished SS Bars that are turned or ground in straight lengths, whether produced from hot-rolled bar or from straightened and cut rod or wire, and reinforcing bars that have indentations, ribs, grooves, or other deformations produced during the rolling process.

Except as specified above, the term does not include stainless steel semi-finished products, cut length flat-rolled products (*i.e.*, cut length rolled products which if less than 4.75 mm in thickness have a width measuring at least 10 times the thickness, or if 4.75 mm or more in thickness having a width which exceeds 150 mm and measures at least twice the thickness), wire (*i.e.*, cold-

³ See Petitioners' Letter, "Notice of Intent to Participate," dated September 15, 2023.

⁴ See Petitioners' Letter, "Substantive Response," dated September 29, 2023 (Petitioners' Substantive Response).

⁵ See Commerce's Letter "Sunset Reviews Initiated on September 1, 2023," dated October 25, 2023.

formed products in coils, of any uniform solid cross section along their whole length, which do not conform to the definition of flat-rolled products), and angles, shapes and sections.

Imports of these products are currently classifiable under subheadings 7222.11.00, 7222.19.00, 7222.20.00, 7222.30.00 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule (HTS). Although the HTS subheadings are provided for convenience and customs purposes, our written description of the scope of the *Order* is dispositive.

Analysis of the Comments Received

All issues raised in this sunset review are addressed in the Issues and Decision Memorandum, including the likelihood of continuation or recurrence of dumping and the magnitude of the margins of dumping likely to prevail if the *Order* was revoked.⁶ A list of topics discussed in the Issues and Decision Memorandum is included as the appendix to this notice. The Issues and Decision Memorandum is a public document and is on file electronically via Enforcement and Compliance's Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Centralized Electronic Service System (ACCESS). ACCESS is available to registered users at <https://access.trade.gov>. In addition, a complete version of the Issues and Decision Memorandum can be accessed directly at <https://access.trade.gov/public/FRNoticesListLayout.aspx>.

Final Results of Expedited Sunset Review

Pursuant to sections 751(c)(1), and 752(c)(1) and (3) of the Act, Commerce determines that revocation of the *Order* would be likely to lead to continuation or recurrence of dumping and that the magnitude of the margins of dumping likely to prevail would be at rates up to 21.02 percent.

Administrative Protective Order

This notice serves as the only reminder to parties subject to an administrative protective order (APO) of their responsibility concerning the disposition of proprietary information disclosed under APO in accordance with 19 CFR 351.305(a). Timely written notification of the return or

⁶ See Memorandum, "Issues and Decision Memorandum for the Expedited Sunset Review of the Antidumping Duty Order on Stainless Steel Bar from India," dated concurrently with, and hereby adopted by, this notice (Issues and Decision Memorandum)

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

We are issuing and publishing these final results in accordance with sections 751(c), 752(c), and 777(i)(1) of the Act, and 19 CFR 351.218(e)(1)(ii)(C)(2).

Dated: December 27, 2023.

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for Enforcement and Compliance.

Appendix

List of Topics Discussed in the Issues and Decision Memorandum

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