



DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

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Certain Steel Nails from the United Arab Emirates: Preliminary Results and Partial Rescission of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review; 2023-2024

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

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of Commerce (Commerce) preliminarily finds that sales of certain steel nails (steel nails) from the United Arab Emirates (UAE) were made at less than normal value (NV). The period of review (POR) is May 1, 2023, through April 30, 2024. Additionally, Commerce is rescinding this administrative review, in part, with respect to 19 companies that had no entries of the subject merchandise during the POR. We invite interested parties to comment on these preliminary results.

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

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Robert Galantucci or Olivia Woolverton, AD/CVD Operations, Office V, Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482-2923 or (202) 482-7452, respectively.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On May 10, 2012, Commerce published the antidumping duty (AD) order on steel nails from the UAE.¹ On July 5, 2024, Commerce initiated an administrative review of the *Order*, in accordance with section 751(a) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act), with respect to 21 producers/exporters of the subject merchandise.² Commerce selected two mandatory

¹ See *Certain Steel Nails from the United Arab Emirates: Amended Final Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value and Antidumping Duty Order*, 77 FR 27421 (May 10, 2012) (*Order*).

² See *Initiation of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Administrative Reviews*, 89 FR 55567 (July 5, 2024).

respondents for individual examination: Master Nails and Pins Manufacturing, LLC (Master Nails)/Middle East Manufacturing Steel LLC (MEM) (collectively, Master³); and Rich Well Steel Industries LLC (Rich Well).⁴ On July 22, 2024, Commerce tolled deadline in this administrative review by seven days.⁵ On December 9, 2024, Commerce tolled deadlines in this administrative review by an additional 90 days.⁶ On April 14, 2025, Commerce extended the deadline for the preliminary results of this administrative review until September 5, 2025.⁷ For a complete description of the events following the initiation of this administrative review, *see* the Preliminary Decision Memorandum.⁸

A list of topics included in the Preliminary Decision Memorandum is included as Appendix I to this notice. The Preliminary 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 Preliminary Decision Memorandum is available at <https://access.trade.gov/public/FRNoticesListLayout.aspx>.

Scope of the Order

The products covered by the *Order* are steel nails from the UAE. For a full description of the scope, *see* the Preliminary Decision Memorandum.

Rescission of Administrative Review, In Part

Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.213(d)(3), when there are no reviewable entries of subject merchandise during the POR subject to the AD order for which liquidation is suspended,

³ Commerce previously determined that Master Nails and MEM comprise a single entity. *See Certain Steel Nails from the United Arab Emirates: Final Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review; 2020-2021*, 87 FR 61566 (October 12, 2022).

⁴ *See* Memorandum, "Respondent Selection," dated September 13, 2024.

⁵ *See* Memorandum, "Tolling of Deadlines for Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Proceedings," dated July 22, 2024.

⁶ *See* Memorandum, "Tolling of Deadlines for Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Proceedings," dated December 9, 2024.

⁷ *See* Memorandum, "Extension of Deadline for Preliminary Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review," dated April 14, 2025.

⁸ *See* Memorandum, "Decision Memorandum for the Preliminary Results of the Administrative Review of the Antidumping Duty Order on Certain Steel Nails from the United Arab Emirates; 2023-2024," dated concurrently with, and hereby adopted by, this notice (Preliminary Decision Memorandum).

Commerce may rescind an administrative review, in whole or only with respect to a particular exporter or producer.⁹ Normally, at the end of the administrative review, any suspended entries are liquidated at the assessment rate computed for the review period.¹⁰ Therefore, for an administrative review to be conducted, there must be a reviewable, suspended entry to be liquidated at the newly calculated assessment rate.

On September 16, 2024, Commerce placed on the record a notice of its intent to rescind this review with respect to 19 companies due to lack of entries.¹¹ No party commented on the notice of intent to rescind. Thus, in accordance with 19 CFR 351.213(d)(4), Commerce is rescinding this review with respect to these 19 companies.¹²

Methodology

Commerce is conducting this review in accordance with section 751(a) of the Act. We calculated export price in accordance with section 772 of the Act. We calculated NV in accordance with section 773 of the Act. In addition, Commerce relied on total adverse facts available (AFA) pursuant to section 776(a)-(b) of the Act for Master, due to the company's failure to participate in this review. For a full description of the methodology underlying these preliminary results, *see* the Preliminary Decision Memorandum.

Preliminary Results of Review

We preliminarily determine that the following weighted-average dumping margins exist for the period May 1, 2023, through April 30, 2024:

Exporter/Producer	Weighted-Average Dumping Margin (percent)
Master Nails and Pins Manufacturing, LLC / Middle East Manufacturing Steel, LLC	184.41
Rich Well Steel Industries LLC	2.31

Disclosure

⁹ *See, e.g., Forged Steel Fittings from Taiwan: Rescission of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review; 2018-2019*, 85 FR 71317, 71318 (November 9, 2020); *see also Certain Circular Welded Non-Alloy Steel Pipe from Mexico: Rescission of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review; 2016-2017*, 83 FR 54084 (October 26, 2018).

¹⁰ *See* 19 CFR 351.212(b)(1).

¹¹ *See* Memorandum, "Notice of Intent to Rescind Review, In Part," dated September 16, 2024.

¹² *See* Appendix II.

We intend to disclose the calculations performed to parties within five days after public announcement of the preliminary results or, if there is no public announcement, within five days of the date of publication of this notice.¹³

Public Comment

Case briefs or other written comments may be submitted to the Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance. Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.309(c)(1)(ii), we have modified the deadline for interested parties to submit case briefs to Commerce to no later than 21 days after the date of the publication of this notice.¹⁴ Rebuttal briefs, limited to issues raised in the case briefs, may be filed not later than five days after the date for filing case briefs.¹⁵ Interested parties who submit case or rebuttal briefs in this proceeding must submit: (1) a table of contents listing each issue; and (2) a table of authorities.¹⁶

As provided under 19 CFR 351.309(c)(2) and (d)(2), in prior proceedings we have encouraged interested parties to provide an executive summary of their brief that should be limited to five pages total, including footnotes. In this review, we instead request that interested parties provide at the beginning of their briefs a public executive summary for each issue raised in their briefs.¹⁷ Further, we request that interested parties limit their public executive summary of each issue to no more than 450 words, not including citations. We intend to use the public executive summaries as the basis of the comment summaries included in the issues and decision memorandum that will accompany the final results in this administrative review. We request that interested parties include footnotes for relevant citations in the public executive summary of each issue. Note that Commerce has amended certain of its requirements pertaining to the service of documents in 19 CFR 351.303(f).¹⁸

¹³ See 19 CFR 351.224(b).

¹⁴ See 19 CFR 351.309.

¹⁵ See 19 CFR 351.309(d); *see also Administrative Protective Order, Service, and Other Procedures in Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Proceedings*, 88 FR 67069, 67077 (September 29, 2023) (*APO and Service Final Rule*).

¹⁶ See 19 CFR 351.309(c)(2) and (d)(2).

¹⁷ We use the term “issue” here to describe an argument that Commerce would normally address in a comment of the Issues and Decision Memorandum.

¹⁸ See *APO and Service Final Rule*.

Interested parties who wish to request a hearing must submit a written request to the Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance, filed electronically via ACCESS.¹⁹ Requests should contain: (1) the party's name, address, and telephone number; (2) the number of participants and whether any participant is a foreign national; and (3) a list of issues to be discussed. Issues raised in the hearing will be limited to those raised in case and rebuttal briefs.²⁰ If a request for a hearing is made, Commerce intends to hold the hearing at a time and date to be determined. A hearing request must be filed electronically using ACCESS and received in its entirety by 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time within 30 days after the publication of this notice.

Assessment Rates

Upon completion of this administrative review, Commerce shall determine, and U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) shall assess, antidumping duties on all appropriate entries covered by this review.²¹ Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.212(b)(1), if the weighted-average dumping margin for Rich Well is not zero or *de minimis* (*i.e.*, less than 0.5 percent) in the final results of this review, we will calculate importer-specific *ad valorem* antidumping duty assessment rates based on the ratio of the total amount of dumping calculated for the importer's examined sales to the total entered value of those same sales. If Rich Well's weighted-average dumping margin is zero or *de minimis*, we intend to instruct CBP to liquidate the appropriate entries without regard to antidumping duties. The final results of this review shall be the basis for the assessment of antidumping duties on entries of merchandise covered by this review and for future deposits of estimated duties, where applicable.²²

In accordance with Commerce's "automatic assessment" practice, for entries of subject merchandise during the POR produced by Rich Well for which the respondent did not know that the merchandise was destined for the United States, we will instruct CBP to liquidate those

¹⁹ See 19 CFR 351.310(c).

²⁰ See 19 CFR 351.310.

²¹ See 19 CFR 351.212(b)(1).

²² See section 751(a)(2)(C) of the Act.

entries at the all-others rate established in the original less-than-fair-value (LTFV) investigation²³ if there is no rate for the intermediate company(ies) involved in the transaction.²⁴

For Master, if the preliminary results are unchanged in the final results, we will instruct CBP to apply an *ad valorem* assessment rate equal to Master's dumping margin to all of its entries of subject merchandise during the POR. The final results of this review shall be the basis for the assessment of antidumping duties on entries of merchandise covered by the final results of this review and for future deposits of estimated duties, where applicable.²⁵

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 *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 (*i.e.*, within 90 days of publication).

Cash Deposit Requirements

The following cash deposit requirements will be effective for all shipments of the subject merchandise entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after the publication date of the final results of this administrative review, as provided by section 751(a)(2)(C) of the Act: (1) the cash deposit rate for the companies listed above will be equal to the weighted-average dumping margin established in the final results of this administrative review, except if the rate is less than 0.50 percent and, therefore, *de minimis* within the meaning of 19 CFR 351.106(c)(1), in which case the cash deposit rate will be zero; (2) for merchandise exported by a company not covered in this review, but covered in a prior segment of the proceeding, the cash deposit rate will continue to be the company-specific rate published for the most recently-completed segment of this proceeding in which it was reviewed; (3) if the exporter is not a firm covered by this review, a prior review, or the original LTFV investigation, but the producer is,

²³ See *Order*, 77 FR at 27422.

²⁴ For a full discussion of this practice, see *Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Proceedings: Assessment of Antidumping Duties*, 68 FR 23954 (May 6, 2003).

²⁵ See section 751(a)(2)(C) of the Act.

then the cash deposit rate will be the rate established for the most recently-completed segment of this proceeding for the producer of the merchandise; and (4) the cash deposit rate for all other producers or exporters will continue to be 4.30 percent,²⁶ the all-others rate established in the LTFV investigation. These cash deposit requirements, when imposed, shall remain in effect until further notice.

Final Results of Review

Unless otherwise extended, Commerce intends to issue the final results of this administrative review, including the results of its analysis of the issues raised in any written briefs, not later than 120 days after the date of publication of this notice, pursuant to section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.213(h)(1).

Notification to Importers

This notice also serves as a preliminary 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 POR. 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 to Interested Parties

We are issuing and publishing these results in accordance with sections 751(a)(1) and 777(i)(1) of the Act, and 19 CFR 351.213 and 19 CFR 351.221(b)(4).

Dated: September 5, 2025.

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for Policy and Negotiations,

performing the non-exclusive functions and duties

of the Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance.

²⁶ See Order, 77 FR at 27422.

Appendix I

List of Topics Discussed in the Preliminary Decision Memorandum

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Appendix II

Companies Rescinded from Review

1. Al Falaq Building Materials;
2. Al Khashab Building Materials Co., LLC;
3. Al Rafaa Star Building Materials Est.;
4. Al Sabbah Trading and Importing, Est.;
5. Al-Khatib Est.
6. All Ferro Building Materials, LLC;
7. Asgarali Yousuf Trading Co., LLC;
8. Azymuth Consulting, LLC;
9. Burj Al Tasmeem, Tr.;
10. Gheewala Hardware Trading Company, LLC;
11. Madar UAE;
12. Mustafa Building Materials Co. (LLC);
13. New World International, LLC;
14. Okzeela Star Building Materials Trading, LLC;
15. Rishi International, FZCO;
16. Samrat Wire Industry, LLC;
17. Sea Lan Contracting;
18. SK Metal International DMCC;
19. Trade Circle Enterprises, LLC.

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