



## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### International Trade Administration

[A-580-899]

#### **Acetone from the Republic of Korea: Final Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review; 2023-2024**

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

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Department of Commerce (Commerce) finds that Kumho P&B Chemicals, Inc. (KPB), a producer/exporter subject to this administrative review, did not make sales of acetone from the Republic of Korea (Korea) at less than normal value. The period of review (POR) is March 1, 2023, through February 29, 2024.

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

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#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

##### Background

On July 11, 2025, Commerce published the *Preliminary Results* in the *Federal Register* and invited comments from interested parties.<sup>1</sup> On August 1, 2025, KPB timely submitted a case brief.<sup>2</sup> No other party filed a case or rebuttal brief.

For a complete description of the events that have occurred since Commerce published the *Preliminary Results*, as well as a full discussion of the issues raised by parties for these final

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<sup>1</sup> See *Acetone from the Republic of Korea: Preliminary Results and Rescission, in Part, of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review; 2023–2024*, 90 FR 30847 (July 11, 2025) (*Preliminary Results*), and accompanying Preliminary Decision Memorandum.

<sup>2</sup> See KPB’s Letter, “Case Brief of Kumho P&B Chemicals, Inc.,” dated August 1, 2025).

results, *see* the Issues and Decision Memorandum.<sup>3</sup> Commerce conducted this review in accordance with section 751(a) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act).

Due to the lapse in appropriations and Federal Government shutdown, on November 14, 2025, Commerce tolled all deadlines in administrative proceedings by 47 days.<sup>4</sup> Accordingly, the deadline for these final results is now December 26, 2025.<sup>5</sup>

### Analysis of Comments Received

All issues raised in the case brief are addressed in the Issues and Decision Memorandum. A list of the issues that KPB raised and to which we responded in the Issues and Decision Memorandum is attached as an 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>.

### Scope of the Order<sup>6</sup>

The product covered by the *Order* is acetone from Korea. For a complete description of the scope of the *Order*, *see* the Issues and Decision Memorandum.

### Changes Since the Preliminary Results

Based on a review of the record and comments received from KPB regarding the *Preliminary Results*, we made certain changes to the preliminary weighted-average dumping

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<sup>3</sup> See Memorandum, “Issues and Decision Memorandum for the Final Results of the Antidumping Duty Administrative Review of Acetone from the Republic of Korea; 2023-2024,” dated concurrently with, and hereby adopted by, this notice (Issues and Decision Memorandum).

<sup>4</sup> See Memorandum, “Deadlines Affected by the Shutdown of the Federal Government,” dated November 14, 2025.

<sup>5</sup> Because the tolled deadline for these final results falls on the Christmas holiday (*i.e.*, December 25, 2025), the deadline became the next business day (*i.e.*, December 26, 2025). See *Notice of Clarification: Application of “Next Business Day” Rule for Administrative Determination Deadlines Pursuant to the Tariff Act of 1930, As Amended*, 70 FR 24533 (May 10, 2005).

<sup>6</sup> See *Acetone from Belgium, the Republic of South Africa, and the Republic of Korea: Antidumping Duty Orders*, 85 FR 17866 (March 31, 2020) (*Order*).

margin calculated for KPB. For a detailed discussion of these changes, *see* the Issues and Decision Memorandum.

### Final Results of Review

We determine the following weighted-average dumping margin exists for the period March 1, 2023, through February 29, 2024:

<b>Exporter/Producer</b>	<b>Weighted-Average Dumping Margin (percent)</b>
Kumho P&B Chemicals, Inc.	0.00

### Disclosure

Commerce intends to disclose the calculations performed in connection with these final results of review to interested parties within five days after public announcement of the final results or, if there is no public announcement, within five days of the date of publication of the notice of final results in the *Federal Register*, in accordance with 19 CFR 351.224(b).

### Assessment Rates

Pursuant to section 751(a)(2)(C) of the Act, and 19 CFR 351.212(b)(1), Commerce has determined, and U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) shall assess, antidumping duties on all appropriate entries of subject merchandise in accordance with the final results of this review. Where the respondent's weighted-average dumping margin is zero or *de minimis* within the meaning of 19 CFR 351.106(c)(1), then Commerce will instruct CBP to liquidate entries without regard to antidumping duties.<sup>7</sup> Accordingly, because the final weighted-average dumping margin for KPB is zero percent, we will instruct CBP to liquidate the appropriate entries without regard to antidumping duties.

For entries of subject merchandise during the POR produced by KPB for which it did not know that the merchandise it sold to the intermediary (*e.g.*, reseller, trading company, or exporter) was destined for the United States, we will instruct CBP to liquidate such entries at the

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<sup>7</sup> *See Antidumping Proceedings: Calculation of the Weighted-Average Dumping Margin and Assessment Rate in Certain Antidumping Proceedings: Final Modification*, 77 FR 8101, 8103 (February 14, 2012).

all-others rate (*i.e.*, 33.10 percent)<sup>8</sup> if there is no rate for the intermediate company(ies) involved in the transaction.<sup>9</sup>

Commerce intends to issue liquidation 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 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 KPB 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 rates will be zero; (2) for previously reviewed or investigated companies not participating in this review, the cash deposit rate will continue to be the company-specific rate published for the most recently completed segment of this proceeding in which the producer or exporter participated; (3) if the exporter is not a firm covered in this review, a prior review, or the original investigation but the producer is, the cash deposit rate will be the rate established for the most recently completed segment of this proceeding for the producer of the subject merchandise; and (4) the cash deposit rate for all other producers or exporters will continue to be the all-others rate established in the less-than-fair-value investigation (*i.e.*, 33.10

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<sup>8</sup> See *Order*, 85 FR at 17866.

<sup>9</sup> For a full discussion of this practice, see *Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Proceedings: Assessment of Antidumping Duties*, 68 FR 23954 (May 6, 2003).

percent).<sup>10</sup> These cash deposit requirements, when imposed, shall remain in effect until further notice.

#### Administrative Protective Order (APO)

This notice serves as the only reminder to parties subject to an APO of their responsibility concerning the disposition of proprietary information disclosed under APO in accordance with 19 CFR 351.305(a)(3), which continues to govern business proprietary information in this segment of the proceeding. Timely written notification of return/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 Importers

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 to Interested Parties

We are issuing and publishing these final results in accordance with sections 751(a)(1) and 777(i)(1) of the Act, and 19 CFR 351.221(b)(5).

Dated: November 19, 2025.

**Christopher Abbott,**

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*for Policy and Negotiations,*

*performing the non-exclusive functions and duties*

*of the Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance.*

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<sup>10</sup> See Order, 85 FR at 17866.

## Appendix

### List of Topics Discussed in the Issues and Decision Memorandum

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