



DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

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Certain Steel Nails from the Sultanate of Oman: Preliminary Results and Rescission, In Part, 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) is conducting an administrative review of the antidumping duty (AD) order on certain steel nails (steel nails) from the Sultanate of Oman (Oman). This review covers 15 exporters and producers from Oman. The period of review (POR) is July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2024. The sole mandatory respondent in this review is Oman Fasteners, LLC (Oman Fasteners). Commerce preliminarily determines that Oman Fasteners made sales of subject merchandise below normal value (NV) during the POR. Additionally, we are rescinding this review, in part, with respect to one company for which all requests for review were withdrawn and with respect to 13 companies, which had no suspended entries. Interested parties are invited to comment on these preliminary results.

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

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On July 1, 2024, Commerce published in the *Federal Register* a notice of opportunity¹ to request an administrative review of the AD order on steel nails from Oman.² On August 14, 2024, in accordance with 19 CFR 351.221(c)(1)(i), Commerce published a notice of initiation of an administrative review of the *Order*.³

On June 5, 2025, in accordance with section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act), and 19 CFR 351.213(h)(2), Commerce extended the deadline for the preliminary results by 120 days until October 29, 2025.⁴ Due to the lapse in appropriations and Federal Government shutdown, on November 14, 2025, Commerce tolled all deadlines in administrative proceedings by 47 days.⁵ Additionally, due to a backlog of documents that were electronically filed via Enforcement and Compliance's Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Centralized Electronic Service System (ACCESS) during the Federal Government shutdown, on November 24, 2025, Commerce tolled all deadlines in administrative proceedings by an additional 21 days.⁶ Accordingly, the deadline for these preliminary results is now January 5, 2026.

For a complete description of the events that followed the initiation of this review, *see* the Preliminary Decision Memorandum.⁷ A list of the 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 ACCESS. ACCESS is available to registered users at <https://access.trade.gov>. In addition, a complete version of the Preliminary

¹ *See Antidumping or Countervailing Duty Order, Finding, or Suspended Investigation; Opportunity To Request Administrative Review and Join Annual Inquiry Service List*, 89 FR 54437 (July 1, 2024).

² *See Certain Steel Nails from the Republic of Korea, Malaysia, the Sultanate of Oman, Taiwan, and the Socialist Republic of Vietnam: Antidumping Duty Orders*, 80 FR 39994 (July 13, 2015) (*Order*).

³ *See Initiation of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Administrative Reviews*, 89 FR 66035 (August 14, 2024) (*Initiation Notice*).

⁴ *See* Memorandum, "Extension of Deadline for Preliminary Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review," dated June 5, 2025.

⁵ *See* Memorandum, "Deadlines Affected by the Shutdown of the Federal Government," dated November 14, 2025.

⁶ *See* Memorandum, "Tolling of all Case Deadlines," dated November 24, 2025.

⁷ *See* Memorandum, "Decision Memorandum for the Preliminary Results of the Administrative Review of the Antidumping Duty Order on Certain Steel Nails from the Sultanate of Oman; 2023-2024," dated concurrently with, and hereby adopted by, this notice (Preliminary Decision Memorandum).

Decision Memorandum can be accessed directly at
<https://access.trade.gov/public/FRNoticesListLayout.aspx>.

Scope of the *Order*

The merchandise covered by the scope of this *Order* is steel nails from Oman. For a complete description of the scope of the *Order*, see the Preliminary Decision Memorandum.⁸

Rescission of Administrative Review, In Part

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 of the notice of initiation of the requested review. Because all requests for administrative review of Gulf Nails LLC (Gulf Nails) were withdrawn by interested parties within 90 days of the date of the publication of the *Initiation Notice*, Commerce is rescinding this review with respect to Gulf Nails, in accordance with 19 CFR 351.213(d)(1).

Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.213(d)(3), it is Commerce's practice to rescind an administrative review of an AD order when there are no reviewable entries of subject merchandise during the POR for which liquidation is suspended.⁹ Normally, upon completion of an administrative review, the suspended entries are liquidated at the AD assessment rate calculated for the review period.¹⁰ Therefore, for an administrative review to be conducted, there must be at least one reviewable, suspended entry that Commerce can instruct U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) to liquidate at the AD assessment rate calculated for the review period.¹¹

There were no entries of subject merchandise during the POR for 13 companies subject to this review.¹² As a result, on November 4, 2024, Commerce notified all interested parties of its

⁸ *Id.*

⁹ See, e.g., *Dioctyl Terephthalate from the Republic of Korea: Rescission of Antidumping Administrative Review; 2021–2022*, 88 FR 24758 (April 24, 2023); See also *Certain Carbon and Alloy Steel Cut-to-Length Plate from the Federal Republic of Germany: Rescission of Antidumping Administrative Review; 2020–2021*, 88 FR 4157 (January 24, 2023).

¹⁰ See 19 CFR 351.212(b)(1).

¹¹ See 19 CFR 351.213(d)(3).

¹² See Memorandum, "Release of Customs Data from U.S. Customs and Border Protection," dated September 10, 2024; see also Appendix II for a list of these companies.

intent to rescind this review, in part, with respect to these 13 companies.¹³ No interested party commented on the Intent to Rescind Memorandum. Thus, Commerce is rescinding this review with respect to 14 companies, in accordance with 19 CFR 351.213(d). The administrative review remains active with respect to one company, Oman Fasteners.

Methodology

Commerce is conducting this review in accordance with section 751(a)(1)(B) of the Act. We calculated export prices and NV in accordance with sections 772 and 773 of the Act, respectively. For a full description of the methodology underlying our preliminary results of review, *see* the Preliminary Decision Memorandum.

Preliminary Results of Review

We preliminarily determine the following weighted-average dumping margin for the POR July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2024:

Producer/Exporter	Weighted-Average Dumping Margin (percent)
Oman Fasteners, LLC	0.95

Disclosure

Commerce intends to disclose its calculations and analysis performed to interested parties for these preliminary results of this administrative review within five days of any public announcement or, if there is no public announcement, within five days of the date of publication of this notice in the *Federal Register*, in accordance with 19 CFR 351.224(b).

Public Comment

Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.309(c)(1)(ii), interested parties may submit case briefs to Commerce no later than 21 days after the date of publication of this notice in the *Federal Register*.¹⁴ Rebuttal briefs, limited to issues raised in the case briefs, may be filed no later than

¹³ *See* Memorandum, “Notice of Intent to Rescind Review, In Part,” dated November 4, 2024 (Intent to Rescind Memorandum).

¹⁴ *See* 19 CFR 351.303 (for general filing requirements).

five days after the date for filing case briefs.¹⁵ Interested parties who submit case or rebuttal briefs in this review 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)(iii) and (d)(2)(iii), we 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 executive summary of each issue to no more than 450 words, not including citations. We intend to use the 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 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

Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.310(c), 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. 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 the case and rebuttal briefs. An electronically filed hearing request must be received successfully in its entirety by Commerce's electronic records system, ACCESS, by 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time within 30 days after the date of publication of this notice in the *Federal Register*. If a hearing is requested, Commerce will announce the date and time of the hearing. Parties should confirm the date and time of the hearing two days before the scheduled hearing date.

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*, 88 FR at 67070.

Final Results of Review

Unless otherwise extended, Commerce intends to issue the final results of this administrative review, which will include the results of its analysis of issues raised in any briefs, within 120 days of publication of these preliminary results of review in the *Federal Register*, pursuant to section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.213(h)(1).

Assessment Rates

Pursuant to section 751(a)(2)(A) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.212(b)(1), Commerce will determine, 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. Commerce intends to issue assessment instructions to CBP no earlier than 35 days after the date of publication of the final results of this administrative 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).

We will calculate importer-specific assessment rates for Oman Fasteners in accordance with 19 CFR 351.212(b)(1).¹⁹ Because Oman Fasteners reported entered values for its sales, we will calculate importer-specific *ad valorem* assessment rates for the company by dividing the total amount of dumping calculated for all reviewed U.S. sales to the importer by the total entered value of the merchandise sold to the importer.²⁰

Where either Oman Fasteners' *ad valorem* weighted-average dumping margin is zero or *de minimis*, or an importer-specific *ad valorem* assessment rate is zero or *de minimis*,²¹ we will instruct CBP to liquidate the appropriate entries without regard to antidumping duties.

¹⁹ We applied the assessment rate calculation method adopted in *Antidumping Proceedings: Calculation of the Weighted-Average Dumping Margin and Assessment Rate in Certain Antidumping Proceedings: Final Modification*, 77 FR 8101 (February 14, 2012).

²⁰ See 19 CFR 351.212(b)(1).

²¹ See 19 CFR 351.106(c)(2).

For the companies listed in Appendix II for which we are rescinding this review, we will instruct CBP to assess antidumping duties on all appropriate entries at a rate equal to the cash deposit of estimated antidumping duties required at the time of entry, or withdrawal from warehouse, in accordance with 19 CFR 351.212(c)(1)(i), not before 35 days after the publication date of these preliminary results.

Pursuant to a refinement to Commerce's assessment practice, where sales of subject merchandise that was produced or exported by an individually examined respondent were not reported in the U.S. sales data submitted by the respondent, but the merchandise was entered for consumption in the United States during the POR, Commerce will instruct CBP to liquidate any entries of such merchandise at the all-others rate (*i.e.*, 9.10 percent)²² if there is no rate for the intermediate company(ies) involved in the transaction.²³

Cash Deposit Requirements

The following cash deposit requirements will be in effect for all shipments of subject merchandise entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after the date of publication of the notice of the final results of this administrative review in the *Federal Register*, as provided for by section 751(a)(2)(C) of the Act: (1) the cash deposit rate for Oman Fasteners will be equal to the weighted-average dumping margin established for the company in the final results of this review, except if the weighted-average dumping margin is less than 0.50 percent, and, therefore, *de minimis* within the meaning of 19 CFR 351.106(c)(1), the cash deposit rate will be zero; (2) for previously investigated or reviewed companies that are not covered by this review, the cash deposit rate will continue to be the company's cash deposit rate from the most recently completed segment of the proceeding in which it was examined; (3) if the exporter is not covered by this review, and does not have a cash deposit rate from a completed segment of this proceeding, but the producer of the subject merchandise does have a cash deposit rate, then the

²² See *Order*, 80 FR at 39996.

²³ For a full discussion of this practice, See *Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Proceedings: Assessment of Antidumping Duties*, 68 FR 23954 (May 6, 2003).

cash deposit rate will be the producer's cash deposit rate from the most recently completed segment of the proceeding in which it was examined; and (4) the cash deposit rate for all other producers or exporters will continue to be 9.10 percent, the all-others rate established in the less-than-fair-value investigation.²⁴ These cash deposit requirements, when imposed, shall remain in effect until further notice.

Notification to Importers

This notice serves as a preliminary reminder to importers of their responsibility under 19 CFR 351.402(f) to file a certificate regarding the reimbursement of antidumping duties prior to liquidation of the relevant entries during the 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 double antidumping duties.

Notification to Interested Parties

We are issuing and publishing these preliminary results of review in accordance with sections 751(a)(1) and 777(i)(1) of the Act, and 19 CFR 351.213(h)(2) and 351.221(b)(4).

Dated: January 5, 2026.

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²⁴ See Order, 80 FR 39996.

Appendix I

List of Topics Discussed in the Preliminary Decision Memorandum

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Appendix II

List of Companies for which We Are Rescinding the Review

1. Al Ansari Teqmark LLC
2. Al Kiyumi Global LLC
3. Al Sarah Building Materials LLC
4. Buraimi Iron & Steel, LLC
5. CL Synergy (Pvt) Ltd.
6. Diamond Foil Trading LLC
7. Gulf Nails LLC
8. Gulf Nails Manufacturing, LLC
9. Gulf Steel Manufacturers, LLC
10. Muscat Industrial Company, LLC
11. Muscat Nails Factory Golden Asset Trade, LLC
12. Oman Ocean Trading LLC
13. Omega Global Uluslararası Tasimacılık Ticaret Ltd. Sti
14. WWL Indian Private Ltd.

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