



DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

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Citric Acid and Certain Citrate Salts from the People's Republic of China: Final Results of the Expedited Third Sunset Review of the Countervailing Duty Order

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

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of Commerce (Commerce) finds that revocation of the countervailing duty (CVD) order on citric acid and certain citrate salts (citric acid) from the People's Republic of China (China) would be likely to lead to continuation or recurrence of countervailable subsidies at the levels indicated in the "Final Results of Sunset Review" section of this notice.

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

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On May 29, 2009, Commerce published the *Order* on citric acid from China.¹ On December 1, 2025, Commerce published the notice of initiation of the third 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

¹ See *Citric Acid and Certain Citrate Salts from the People's Republic of China: Notice of Countervailing Duty Order*, 74 FR 25705 (May 29, 2009) (*Order*).

² See *Initiation of Five-Year (Sunset) Reviews*, 90 FR 55084 (December 1, 2025).

On December 16, 2025, Commerce received a notice of intent to participate in this review from Archer-Daniels-Midland Company, Cargill, Incorporated, and Primary Products Ingredients Americas LLC (collectively, the domestic interested parties), within the deadline specified in 19 CFR 351.218(d)(1)(i).³ The domestic interested parties claimed interested party status within the meaning of section 771(9)(C) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.102(b)(29)(v) as manufacturers, producers, or wholesalers in the United States of a domestic like product.⁴

On December 22, 2025, Commerce received an adequate substantive response from the domestic interested parties, within the 30-day deadline specified in 19 CFR 351.218(d)(3)(i).⁵ Commerce did not receive a substantive response from either the Government of China or a respondent interested party in this proceeding. On January 23, 2026, Commerce notified the U.S. International Trade Commission (ITC) that it did not receive an adequate substantive response from respondent interested parties.⁶ As a result, Commerce conducted an expedited (120-day) sunset review of the *Order*, pursuant to section 751(c)(3)(B) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.218(e)(1)(ii)(B)(2) and (C)(2).

Scope of the *Order*

The product covered by this *Order* is citric acid from China. For the full description of the scope of the *Order*, see the Issues and Decisions Memorandum.⁷

Analysis of Comments Received

A complete discussion of all issues raised in this sunset review, including the likelihood of continuation or recurrence of subsidization and the countervailable subsidy rates likely to

³ See Domestic Interested Parties' Letter, "Third Five-Year ("Sunset") Review Of Antidumping And Countervailing Duty Orders On Citric Acid And Certain Citrate Salts from the People's Republic of China: Domestic Industry's Notice Of Intent To Participate," dated December 16, 2025.

⁴ *Id.* at 2.

⁵ See Domestic Interested Parties' Letter, "Third Five-Year ("Sunset") Review Of The Countervailing Duty Order On Citric Acid And Certain Citrate Salts from the People's Republic of China: Domestic Industry's Substantive Response," dated December 22, 2025.

⁶ See Commerce's Letter, "Sunset Reviews Initiated December 1, 2025," dated January 23, 2026.

⁷ See Memorandum, "Issues and Decision Memorandum for the Final Results of the Expedited Third Sunset Review of the Countervailing Duty Order on Citric Acid and Certain Citrate Salts from the People's Republic of China," dated concurrently with, and hereby adopted by, this notice (Issues and Decision Memorandum).

prevail if the *Order* were to be revoked, is contained in the Issues and Decision Memorandum.⁸

A list of the topics discussed 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), which is available to registered users at <https://access.trade.gov>. In addition, complete versions of the Issues and Decision Memorandum can be accessed directly at <https://access.trade.gov/public/FRNoticesListLayout.aspx>.

Final Results of Sunset Review

Pursuant to sections 751(c) and 752(b) of the Act, Commerce determines that revocation of the *Order* would be likely to lead to continuation or recurrence of countervailable subsidies at the following net countervailable subsidy rates:

| Producers/Exporters | Net Countervailable Subsidy Rate (percent <i>ad valorem</i>) |
|---|---|
| TTCA Co., Ltd. (a.k.a. Shandong TTCA Biochemistry Co., Ltd.) | 60.07 |
| Yixing Union Biochemical Co., Ltd.; and Yixing Union Cogeneration Co., Ltd. | 52.22 |
| Anhui BBKA Biochemical Co., Ltd. | 166.34 |
| All Others | 55.53 |

Notification Regarding Administrative Protective Order (APO)

This notice also serves as the only reminder to parties subject to an APO of their responsibility concerning the return or destruction of proprietary information disclosed under APO in accordance with 19 CFR 351.305. Timely notification of the return or destruction of APO materials, or conversion to judicial protective, orders 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(b), and 777(i)(1) of the Act, and 19 CFR 351.221(c)(5)(ii).

⁸ *Id.*

Dated: April 10, 2026.

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Appendix

List of Topics Discussed in the Issues and Decision Memorandum

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