



DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

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Heavy-Walled Rectangular Welded Carbon Steel Pipes and Tubes from Mexico: Initiation and Expedited Preliminary Results of Changed Circumstances Review

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

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of Commerce (Commerce) is simultaneously initiating and issuing the preliminary results of a changed circumstances review (CCR) of the antidumping duty (AD) order on heavy-walled rectangular welded carbon steel pipes and tubes (HWR) from Mexico, consistent with section 751(b) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act), and 19 CFR 351.216 and 351.221(c)(3)(ii). Based on the information on the record, we preliminarily determine that Perfiles LM, S.A. de C.V. (PLM) is the successor-in-interest to Perfiles y Herrajes LM, S.A. de C.V. (PyH). 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 September 13, 2016, Commerce published in the *Federal Register* the AD order on HWR from Mexico.¹ On August 19, 2026, PLM informed Commerce that, effective July 11, 2017, it had changed its name from “Perfiles y Herrajes LM, S.A. de C.V.” (*i.e.*, PyH) to

¹ See *Heavy Walled Rectangular Welded Carbon Steel Pipes and Tubes from the Republic of Korea, Mexico, and the Republic of Turkey: Antidumping Duty Orders*, 81 FR 62865 (September 13, 2016) (*Order*).

“Perfiles LM, S.A. de C.V.” (*i.e.*, PLM) and requested that Commerce conduct a CCR under 19 CFR 351.216(b) to determine that PLM is the successor in-interest to PyH for purposes of determining PLM’s AD cash deposits and liabilities.²

On September 3, 2026, Commerce declined to initiate the CCR that PLM requested, citing the need for additional information pertaining to any changes in management, production facilities, customers, and suppliers.³ Therefore, Commerce issued a supplemental questionnaire to PLM, to which we received a timely response on September 21, 2026.⁴ We did not receive comments from other interested parties concerning this request.

Scope of the Order

The merchandise covered by the scope of the *Order* is HWR from Mexico. For a complete description of the scope of the *Order*, see the Preliminary Decision Memorandum.⁵

Initiation of Changed Circumstances Review

Pursuant to section 751(b)(1) of the Act, and 19 CFR 351.216, Commerce will conduct a CCR of an order upon receipt of information or a review request from an interested party for a review of an order which shows changed circumstances sufficient to warrant a review of the order.⁶ In the past, Commerce has used CCRs to address the applicability of cash deposit rates after there have been changes in the name or structure of a respondent, such as a merger or spinoff (“successor-in- interest,” or “successorship,” determinations).⁷ The information

² See PLM’s Letter, “Request for Changed Circumstances Review and Successor-in-Interest Clarification,” dated August 19, 2026 (CCR Request).

³ See Commerce’s Letter, “Antidumping Duty Changed Circumstances Review Deficiency Questionnaire,” dated September 3, 2026.

⁴ See PLM’s Letter, “Response to September 3 Questionnaire,” dated September 21, 2026 (PLM’s SQR).

⁵ See Memorandum, “Initiation and Expedited Preliminary Results of Changed Circumstances Review of the Antidumping Duty Order on Heavy Walled Rectangular Welded Carbon Steel Pipes and Tubes from Mexico,” dated concurrently with, and hereby adopted by, this notice (Preliminary Decision Memorandum).

⁶ See 19 CFR 351.216(c).

⁷ See, e.g., *Diamond Sawblades and Parts Thereof from the People’s Republic of China: Initiation and Preliminary Results of Antidumping Duty Changed Circumstances Review*, 82 FR 51605, 51606 (November 7, 2017), unchanged in *Diamond Sawblades and Parts Thereof from the People’s Republic of China: Final Results of Antidumping Duty Changed Circumstances Review*, 82 FR 60177 (December 19, 2017) (*Diamond Sawblades*).

submitted by PLM supporting its claim that it is the successor-in-interest to PyH demonstrates changed circumstances sufficient to warrant such a review.⁸

The information submitted by PLM substantiates that its request is based solely on a change in the name of the company from “Perfiles y Herrajes LM, S.A. de C.V.” to “Perfiles LM, S.A. de C.V.” effective on July 11, 2017.⁹ Moreover, the evidence submitted in support of PLM’s request demonstrates that PLM is otherwise the same business entity as PyH. Therefore, in accordance with the regulation referenced above, Commerce is initiating a CCR to determine whether PLM is the successor-in-interest to PyH.

Preliminary Results

Commerce is permitted by 19 CFR 351.221(c)(3)(ii) to combine the notice of initiation of a CCR and the preliminary results if Commerce concludes that expedited action is warranted. In this instance, because the record contains information necessary to make a preliminary finding, we find that expedited action is warranted and we have combined the notice of initiation and the preliminary results.

Accordingly, pursuant to section 751(b) of the Act, we have conducted a successor-in-interest analysis in response to PLM’s request. In making a successor-in-interest determination in an AD CCR, Commerce examines several factors, including, but not limited to, changes in the following: (1) management and ownership; (2) production facilities; (3) supplier relationships; and (4) customer base.¹⁰ While no single factor or combination of factors will necessarily provide a dispositive indication of a successor-in-interest relationship, generally, Commerce will consider the new company to be the successor to the previous company if the new company’s resulting operation is not materially dissimilar to that of its predecessor.¹¹ Thus, if the evidence

⁸ See 19 CFR 351.216(d).

⁹ See PLM’s SQR.

¹⁰ See, e.g., *Certain Frozen Warmwater Shrimp from India: Initiation and Preliminary Results of Antidumping Duty Changed Circumstances Review*, 83 FR 37784, 37784 (August 2, 2018), unchanged in *Certain Frozen Warmwater Shrimp from India: Notice of Final Results of Antidumping Duty Changed Circumstances Review*, 83 FR 49909 (October 3, 2018) (*Shrimp from India*).

¹¹ See, e.g., *Shrimp from India*.

demonstrates that, with respect to the production and sales of the subject merchandise, the new company operates as essentially the same business entity as the former company, Commerce will assign to the new company the cash deposit rate of its predecessor.¹²

In its CCR request, PLM provided evidence demonstrating that PLM's operations are not materially dissimilar from those of PyH. Based on the record, we preliminarily determine that PLM is the successor-in-interest to PyH, as the change in the name was not accompanied by significant changes to its management and ownership, production, facilities, supplier relationships, or customer base. There is also no evidence of significant changes between PyH and the successor-in-interest company PLM's operations, ownership, or corporate or legal structure during the relevant period that could have impacted the successor-in-interest company's subsidy levels.¹³ Thus, we preliminarily determine that PLM operates as essentially the same business entity as PyH, that PLM is the successor-in-interest to PyH, and that PLM should receive the same AD cash deposit rate with respect to subject merchandise as its predecessor, PyH.

For a complete discussion of the information that PLM provided, and the complete successor-in-interest analysis, *see* the Preliminary Decision Memorandum. A list of topics discussed in the Preliminary Decision Memorandum is included as an appendix 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), which is available to registered users at <https://access.trade.gov>. In addition, a complete version of the Preliminary Decision Memorandum can be accessed directly at <https://access.trade.gov/frnotices>.

¹² See, e.g., *Notice of Initiation and Preliminary Results of Antidumping Duty Changed Circumstances Review: Certain Frozen Warmwater Shrimp from India*, 77 FR 64953 (October 24, 2012), unchanged in *Final Results of Antidumping Duty Changed Circumstances Review: Certain Frozen Warmwater Shrimp from India*, 77 FR 73619 (December 11, 2012); *see also* *Notice of Initiation and Preliminary Results of Changed Circumstances Reviews: Certain Passenger Vehicle and Light Truck Tires from the People's Republic of China*, 85 FR 5193 (January 29, 2020), unchanged in *Certain Passenger Vehicle and Light Truck Tires from the People's Republic of China: Final Results of Changed Circumstances Reviews*, 85 FR 14638 (March 13, 2020).

¹³ See CCR Request; *see also* PLM's SQR.

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 seven 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 seven days after the date for filing case briefs.¹⁵ Interested parties who submit case briefs or rebuttal briefs in this review must submit: (1) a table of contents listing each issue; and (2) a table of authorities.¹⁶ All briefs must be filed electronically using ACCESS. An electronically filed document must be received successfully in its entirety in ACCESS by 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time on the established deadline.

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 CCR. 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 by 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time within seven days after the date of

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 Procedures*).

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 *Administrative Protective Order, Service, and Other Procedures in Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Proceedings*, 88 FR 67069, 67077 (September 29, 2023).

publication of this notice. 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. Oral presentations at the hearing will be limited to issues raised in the briefs. If a request for a hearing is made, Commerce will inform parties of the scheduled date for the hearing.¹⁹ Parties should confirm the date and the time of the hearing two days before the scheduled date.

Final Results of Review

Should our final results remain unchanged from these preliminary results, we intend to instruct U.S. Customs and Border Protection to assign entries of subject merchandise exported by PLM the AD cash deposit rate applicable to PyH. Consistent with 19 CFR 351.216(e), we intend to issue the final results of this CCR no later than 270 days after the date on which this review was initiated, or within 45 days if all parties agree with our preliminary finding.

Notification to Interested Parties

This initiation and preliminary results notice is published in accordance with sections 751(b)(1) and 777(i)(1) of the Act, and 19 CFR 351.216(b), 351.221(b) and 351.221(c)(3).

Dated: October 20, 2026.

Scot Fullerton,
*Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary
for Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Operations.*

¹⁹ See 19 CFR 351.310(d).

Appendix

List of Topics Discussed in the Preliminary Decision Memorandum

- I. Summary
- II. Background
- III. Scope of the *Order*
- IV. Preliminary Successor-in-Interest Determination
- V. Recommendation

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