

the vendor. The project will be permitted as a minor air pollution source (less than 250 tons of any criteria pollutant). The simple cycle gas-fired combustion turbines require minimal water for operation. Depending on temperature and humidity conditions, there may be some water discharges from the site. Such discharges will be permitted under the Missouri National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System program.

Alternatives considered by RUS and Associated Electric Cooperative, Inc., to constructing the generation facility proposed include: (a) No action, (b) purchase of power, (c) load management, (d) construction of additional base load capacity, and (e) renewable energy.

To be presented at the public scoping meeting will be a siting and alternative study prepared by Associated Electric Cooperative, Inc. The siting and alternative study is available for public review at RUS at the address provided in this notice or at Associated Electric Cooperative, Inc., 2814 South Golden, Springfield, Missouri, 65801-0754, phone (417) 881-1204. This document will also be available at the Maryville Public Library which is located at 5th and Main Street in Maryville.

Government agencies, private organizations, and the public are invited to participate in the planning and analysis of the proposed project. Representatives from RUS and Associated Electric Cooperative, Inc., will be available at the scoping meeting to discuss RUS's environmental review process, describe the project and alternatives under consideration, discuss the scope of environmental issues to be considered, answer questions, and accept oral and written comments. Written comments will be accepted for at least 30 days after the public scoping meeting. Written comments should be sent to RUS at the address provided in this notice.

From information provided in the siting and alternative study, input that may be provided by government agencies, private organizations, and the public, Associated Electric Cooperative, Inc., and Burns and McDonnell will prepare an environmental analysis to be submitted to RUS for review. If significant impacts are not evident based on a review of the environmental analysis and other relevant information, RUS will prepare an environmental assessment to determine if the preparation of an EIS is warranted.

Should RUS determine that the preparation of an EIS is not warranted, it will prepare a finding of no significant impact (FONSI). The FONSI will be

made available for public review and comment for 30 days. Public notification of a FONSI would be published in the **Federal Register** and in newspapers with a circulation in the project area. RUS will not take its final action related to the project prior to the expiration of the 30-day period.

Any final action by RUS related to the proposed project will be subject to, and contingent upon, compliance with environmental review requirements as prescribed by CEQ and RUS environmental policies and procedures.

Dated: July 29, 1998.

**Lawrence R. Wolfe,**

*Acting Director, Engineering and Environmental Staff.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### International Trade Administration

[A-351-827, A-580-833, A-201-821]

#### Notice of Postponement of Preliminary Determinations of Sales at Less Than Fair Value: Emulsion Styrene-Butadiene Rubber From Brazil, the Republic of Korea, and Mexico

**AGENCY:** Import Administration, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** August 4, 1998.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Sunkyu Kim at (202) 482-2613, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20230.

#### *Postponement of Preliminary Determinations*

On April 21, 1998, the Department of Commerce (the Department) initiated antidumping duty investigations of imports of emulsion styrene-butadiene rubber from Brazil, the Republic of Korea, and Mexico. The notice of initiation stated that we would make our preliminary determinations for the antidumping duty investigations by September 8, 1998 (63 FR 20575, April 27, 1998).

On July 21, 1998, the petitioners made a timely request pursuant to 19 CFR 351.205(e) for 50-day postponements of the preliminary determinations, until October 28, 1998, pursuant to section 733(c)(1) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act). The petitioners requested postponements for additional time to analyze the responses provided by various parties to the Department's questionnaires and to address the issue

of below-cost sales, in accordance with 19 CFR 351.301(d).

For the reasons identified by the petitioners and because there are no compelling reasons to deny the request, we are postponing the preliminary determinations under Section 733(c)(1) of the Act. We will make our preliminary determinations no later than October 28, 1998.

This notice is published pursuant to Section 733(c)(2) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.205(f).

Dated: July 28, 1998.

**Maria Harris Tildon,**

*Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary, AD/CVD Enforcement, Group II.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### International Trade Administration

[C-557-806]

#### Extruded Rubber Thread From Malaysia; Revocation of Countervailing Duty Order

**AGENCY:** Import Administration, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice of revocation of countervailing duty order: extruded rubber thread from Malaysia.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to section 753 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act), the United States International Trade Commission has issued a negative injury determination with respect to the countervailing duty order on extruded rubber thread from Malaysia (63 FR 35945; July 1, 1998). Therefore, the Department of Commerce is notifying the public of its revocation of the countervailing duty order on extruded rubber thread from Malaysia pursuant to section 753(b)(3)(B) of the Act.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** August 4, 1998.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Robert Copyak or Maria MacKay, Office of CVD/AD Enforcement VI, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482-2786.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### Background

On August 25, 1992, the Department of Commerce (the Department) issued a countervailing duty order on extruded rubber thread from Malaysia pursuant to former section 303 of the Act. 57 FR 38472. On May 26, 1995, the

Department published a notice in the **Federal Register** which informed domestic interested parties of their right under section 753(a) of the Act to request an injury investigation by the International Trade Commission (the Commission) with respect to certain outstanding countervailing duty orders issued pursuant to former section 303 of the Act. See *Countervailing Duty Order: Opportunity to Request a Section 753 Injury Investigation*, 60 FR 27963 (May 26, 1995), amended 60 FR 32942 (June 26, 1995).

On June 30, 1995, North American Rubber Thread Company timely requested that the Commission conduct an investigation under section 753(a) with regard to the outstanding countervailing duty order on extruded rubber thread from Malaysia. On December 15, 1997, the Commission initiated its investigation (62 FR 67406; December 24, 1997). On June 25, 1998, the Commission notified the Department of its negative determination with regard to the outstanding countervailing duty order on extruded rubber thread from Malaysia (63 FR 35945; July 1, 1998).

**Scope of Countervailing Duty Order**

The product covered by this determination is extruded rubber thread. Extruded rubber thread is defined as vulcanized rubber thread obtained by extrusion of stable or concentrated natural rubber latex of any cross sectional shape, measuring from 0.18 mm, which is 0.007 inch or 140 gauge, to 1.42 mm, which is 0.056 inch or 18 gauge, in diameter. Extruded rubber thread is currently classified under subheading 4007.00.00 of the *Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States* (HTSUS). The HTSUS subheadings are provided for convenience and U.S. Customs purposes. Our written description of the scope of this review remains dispositive.

**Determination**

As a result of the determination of the Commission that an industry in the United States is not likely to be materially injured by reason of imports of the subject merchandise if the order is revoked, the Department hereby revokes the countervailing duty order on extruded rubber thread from Malaysia pursuant to section 753(b)(3)(B) of the Act. The revocation is effective January 1, 1995, the date Malaysia became a Subsidies Agreement country.

**Suspension of Liquidation**

The Department will instruct the United States Customs Service (Customs) to terminate the suspension of liquidation and liquidate all unliquidated entries of extruded rubber thread from Malaysia entered or withdrawn from warehouse for consumption on or after January 1, 1995, without regard to countervailing duties. The Department will also instruct Customs to refund, with interest, any cash deposits of countervailing duties collected since January 1, 1995, when liquidation was suspended pursuant to section 753(a)(4) of the Act.

Dated: July 28, 1998.

**Joseph A. Spetrini,**

*Acting Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.*

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**ACTION:** Notice of scope rulings and anticircumvention Inquiries.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Commerce hereby publishes a list of scope rulings and anticircumvention inquiries completed by Import Administration between April 1, 1998 and June 30, 1998. In conjunction with this list, the Department of Commerce is also publishing a list of pending requests for scope clarifications and anticircumvention inquiries. We intend to publish future lists within 30 days of the end of each quarter.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** August 4, 1998.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Ronald M. Trentham, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482-4793.

**Background**

The regulations of the Department of Commerce (the Department) (19 CFR 351.22(o)) provide that on a quarterly basis the Secretary will publish in the **Federal Register** a list of scope rulings completed within the last three months.

This notice lists scope rulings and anticircumvention inquiries completed by Import Administration, between April 1, 1998, and June 30, 1998, and pending scope clarification and anticircumvention inquiry requests. The Department intends to publish in October 1998 a notice of scope rulings and anticircumvention inquiries completed between July 1, 1998, and September 30, 1998, as well as pending scope clarification and anticircumvention inquiry requests.

The following lists provide the country, case reference number, requester(s), a brief description of either the ruling or product subject to the request, and the date of rulings made.

**I. SCOPE RULINGS COMPLETED BETWEEN APRIL 1, 1998 and JUNE 30, 1998**

Country .....	Finland.
A-405-071 .....	<i>Viscose Rayon Fiber.</i> Kemira Fibres Oy—Short-cut (LK) fiber and fire retardant (VISIL) fiber are within the scope of the order. 6/8/98.
Country .....	People's Republic of China.
A-570-504 .....	<i>Petroleum Wax Candles.</i> Polardreams Inc.—Granular petroleum wax candle kits are within the scope of the order. 5/6/98. Meijer, Inc.—Sweetheart tapers and wax-filled glass containers with decorative hearts are within the scope of the order. A wax-filled porcelain bunny, an Easter taper with a chick attached, an Easter bunny head teal light, a valentine heart teal light, a heart-shaped candle on wax heart base, a "candy kiss" candle, and a "bunny long ears" flame candle are outside the scope of the order. 6/11/98.
Country .....	South Korea
A-580-601 .....	<i>Certain Stainless Steel Cooking Ware.</i>
C-580-802	Samuel Shapiro & Company—certain stainless steel Pasta and steamer inserts are within the scope of the order. 4/15/98.
Country .....	Japan
A-588-802 .....	<i>3.5 Inch Microdisks and Coated Media Thereof.</i>