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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

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Certain Cased Pencils From the People's Republic of China: Extension of Time Limit for Preliminary Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review

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

EFFECTIVE DATE: December 4, 2001.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Paul Stolz, Michele Mire, or Crystal Crittenden, AD/CVD Enforcement, Office 4, Group II, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230; telephone (202) 482-4474, (202) 482-4711, or (202) 482-0989 respectively.

Time Limits

Statutory Time Limits

Section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act), requires the Department of Commerce (the Department) to make a preliminary determination within 245 days after the last day of the anniversary month of an order or finding for which a review is requested and a final determination within 120 days after the date on which the preliminary determination is published. However, if it is not practicable to complete the review within these time periods, section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act allows the Department to extend the 245-day time limit for the preliminary determination to a maximum of 365 days and the time limit for the final determination to 180 days (or 300 days if the Department does not extend the time limit for the preliminary determination) from the date of publication of the preliminary determination.

Background

On January 31, 2001, the Department published a notice of initiation of administrative review of the antidumping duty order on certain

cased pencils from the People's Republic of China, covering the period December 1, 1999 through November 30, 2000. See Initiation of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Administrative Reviews and Request for Revocation in Part, 66 FR 8378. The preliminary results are currently due no later than December 1, 2001.

Extension of Time Limit for Preliminary Results of Review

We determine that it is not practicable to complete the preliminary results of this review within the original time limit. Therefore, the Department is extending the time limit for completion of the preliminary results by 30 days until no later than December 31, 2001. See Decision Memorandum from Holly A. Kuga to Bernard T. Carreau, dated concurrently with this notice, which is on file in the Central Records Unit, Room B-099 of the Department's main building. We intend to issue the final results no later than 120 days after the publication of the preliminary results notice.

This extension is in accordance with section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act.

Dated: November 28, 2001.

Bernard T. Carreau,

Deputy Assistant Secretary for Import Administration, Group II.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

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Industrial Nitrocellulose From France: Rescission of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review

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

ACTION: Notice of rescission of antidumping duty administrative review.

SUMMARY: On October 1, 2001, the Department of Commerce initiated an administrative review of the antidumping duty order on industrial nitrocellulose from France. The review covers one manufacturer/exporter, Bergerac, N.C. The period of review is August 1, 2000, through July 31, 2001. We are rescinding this review after receiving a timely withdrawal from the parties requesting this review.

EFFECTIVE DATE: December 4, 2001.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dunyako Ahmadu or Richard Rimlinger,

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The Applicable Statute

Unless otherwise indicated, all citations to the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act), are references to the provisions in effect as of January 1, 1995, the effective date of the Uruguay Round Agreements Act. In addition, unless otherwise indicated, all citations to the Department of Commerce's (the Department's) regulations are to the regulations at 19 CFR part 351 (2001).

Background

On August 31, 2001, Bergerac, N.C. (Bergerac), SNPE North America, Inc. (SNPE), and Tevco, Inc. (Tevco), requested that the Department conduct an administrative review of Bergerac's shipments of industrial nitrocellulose from France for the period August 1, 2000, through July 31, 2001. On October 1, 2001, the Department published in the **Federal Register** a notice of initiation of this administrative review. See *Initiation of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Administrative Reviews and Requests for Revocation in Part* (66 FR 49924).

On October 15, 2001, Bergerac, SNPE, and Tevco withdrew their request for a review and asked the Department to rescind the administrative review.

Rescission of Reviews

Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.213(d)(1), the Department will rescind an administrative review if a party that requested the review withdraws the request within 90 days of the date of publication of the notice of initiation of the requested review. Because Bergerac, SNPE, and Tevco submitted their request for rescission within the 90-day time limit and there were no requests for a review from other interested parties, we are rescinding this review. As such, we will issue appropriate appraisal instructions directly to the Customs Service.

This notice is in accordance with section 777(i) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.213(d)(4).

Dated: November 28, 2001.

Richard W. Moreland,

Deputy Assistant Secretary, Import Administration.

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