

submitted pursuant to the provisions of the Foreign-Trade Zones Act, as amended (19 U.S.C. 81a–81u), and the regulations of the Board (15 CFR part 400). It was formally docketed on May 20, 2024. The applicant is authorized to make the proposal under Revised Code of Washington, title 53, chapter 53.08, section 53.08.030, Operation of foreign trade zones.

The proposed zone would be the first zone for the Port Angeles Customs and Border Protection (CBP) port of entry.

The applicant's proposed service area under the ASF would be Clallam County. If approved, the applicant would be able to serve sites throughout the service area based on companies' needs for FTZ designation. The application indicates that the proposed service area is within and adjacent to the Port Angeles Customs and Border Protection port of entry.

The proposed zone would include two "magnet" sites: Proposed Site 1 (790 acres)—William R. Fairchild Airport, 1402 Fairchild Airport Road, Port Angeles; and, Proposed Site 2 (249 acres)—Port Angeles Waterfront, Port Angeles. The ASF allows for the possible exemption of one magnet site from the "sunset" time limits that generally apply to sites under the ASF, and the applicant proposes that Site 1 be so exempted.

The application indicates a need for zone services in Clallam County, Washington. Several firms have indicated an interest in using zone procedures for warehousing/distribution activities for a variety of products. Specific production approvals are not being sought at this time. Such requests would be made to the FTZ Board on a case-by-case basis.

In accordance with the FTZ Board's regulations, Qahira El-Amin of the FTZ Staff is designated examiner to evaluate and analyze the facts and information presented in the application and case record and to report findings and recommendations to the FTZ Board.

Public comment is invited from interested parties. Submissions shall be addressed to the FTZ Board's Executive Secretary and sent to: ftz@trade.gov. The closing period for their receipt is July 23, 2024. Rebuttal comments in response to material submitted during the foregoing period may be submitted during the subsequent 15-day period to August 7, 2024.

A copy of the application will be available for public inspection in the "Online FTZ Information Section" section of the FTZ Board's website, which is accessible via www.trade.gov/ftz.

For further information, contact Qahira El-Amin at Qahira.El-Amin@trade.gov.

Dated: May 21, 2024.

Elizabeth Whiteman,
Executive Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[A–557–825]

Certain Paper Shopping Bags From Malaysia: Final Affirmative Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value

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

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of Commerce (Commerce) determines that certain paper shopping bags (paper bags) from Malaysia are being, or are likely to be, sold in the United States at less than fair value (LTFV). The period of investigation (POI) is April 1, 2022, through March 31, 2023.

DATES: Applicable May 24, 2024.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Daniel Alexander, AD/CVD Operations, Office VII, Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482–4313.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On January 3, 2024, Commerce published its *Preliminary Determination* of sales of paper bags from Malaysia at LTFV.¹ For a complete description of the events that followed the *Preliminary Determination*, see the Issues and Decision Memorandum.² All issues raised by parties for this final determination are addressed in the Issues and Decision Memorandum, which is hereby adopted by this notice. The Issues and Decision Memorandum is a public document and is on file electronically via Enforcement and Compliance's Antidumping and

¹ See *Certain Paper Shopping Bags from Malaysia: Preliminary Affirmative Determination of Sales at Less-Than-Fair-Value*, 89 FR 333 (January 3, 2024) (*Preliminary Determination*), and accompanying Preliminary Decision Memorandum.

² See Memorandum, "Decision Memorandum for the Final Affirmative Determination in the Less-Than-Fair-Value Investigation of Certain Paper Shopping Bags from Malaysia," dated concurrently with, and hereby adopted by, this notice (Issues and Decision Memorandum).

Countervailing Duty Centralized Electronic Service System (ACCESS). ACCESS is available to registered users at <http://access.trade.gov>. In addition, a complete version of the Issues and Decision Memorandum can be accessed directly at <https://access.trade.gov/public/FRNoticesListLayout.aspx>.

Scope of the Investigation

The products covered by this investigation are paper bags from Malaysia. For a complete description of the scope of this investigation, see Appendix I.

Scope Comments

During the course of this investigation, Commerce received scope comments from parties. Commerce issued a Preliminary Scope Decision Memorandum to address these comments and set aside a period of time for parties to address scope issues in scope-specific case and rebuttal briefs.³ We received comments from parties on the Preliminary Scope Decision Memorandum, which we address in the Final Scope Decision Memorandum.⁴ We made no changes to the scope of the investigation from the scope published in the *Preliminary Determination*, as noted in Appendix I to this notice.

Verification

As provided in section 782(i) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act), we conducted verifications of the sales and cost information submitted by Hexachase Packaging Sdn. Bhd. (Hexachase) for use in our final determination. We used standard verification procedures, including an examination of relevant sales and accounting records, and original source documents provided by Hexachase.⁵

Analysis of Comments Received

All issues raised in the case briefs submitted by interested parties in this

³ See Memorandum, "Less-Than-Fair-Value and Countervailing Duty Investigations of Certain Paper Shopping Bags from Cambodia, the People's Republic of China, Colombia, India, Malaysia, Portugal, Taiwan, the Republic of Turkey, and the Socialist Republic of Vietnam: Preliminary Scope Decision Memorandum," dated December 27, 2023.

⁴ See Memorandum, "Less-Than-Fair Value and Countervailing Duty Investigations of Certain Paper Shopping Bags from Cambodia, the People's Republic of China, Colombia, India, Malaysia, Portugal, Taiwan, the Republic of Turkey, and the Socialist Republic of Vietnam: Final Scope Decision Memorandum," dated March 11, 2024.

⁵ See Memorandum, "Verification of the Sales Responses of Hexachase Packaging Sdn. Bhd. in the Antidumping Duty Investigation of Certain Paper Shopping Bags from Malaysia," dated March 27, 2024; see also Memorandum, "Verification of the Cost Response of Hexachase Packaging Sdn. Bhd. the Antidumping Duty Investigation of Certain Paper Shopping Bags from Malaysia," dated April 22, 2024.

investigation are addressed in the Issues and Decision Memorandum. A list of the issues addressed in the Issues and Decision Memorandum is attached as Appendix II to this notice.

Changes Since the Preliminary Determination

We have made certain changes to the dumping margin calculations for Hexachase and Nanwang Pack (M) Sdn. Bhd (Nanwang) since the *Preliminary Determination*. For a discussion of these changes, see the Issues and Decision Memorandum.

Use of Facts Available With Adverse Inferences

For this final determination, we find that pursuant to sections 776(a)–(b) of the Act, the use of facts available with adverse inferences (AFA) is warranted in determining the final dumping margin for mandatory respondent, Nanwang.⁶

All-Others Rate

Section 735(c)(5)(A) of the Act provides that the estimated weighted-average dumping margin for all other producers and exporters not individually investigated shall be equal to the weighted average of the estimated weighted-average dumping margins established for exporters and producers individually investigated excluding rates that are zero, *de minimis*, or determined entirely under section 776 of the Act.

Pursuant to section 735(c)(5)(B) of the Act, if the estimated weighted-average dumping margins established for all exporters and producers individually examined are zero, *de minimis*, or determined based entirely on facts otherwise available, Commerce may use any reasonable method to establish the estimated weighted-average dumping margin for all other producers or exporters. Commerce has determined the estimated weighted-average dumping margin for the individually examined respondent under section 776 of the Act.

Commerce calculated an individual estimated weighted-average dumping margin for Hexachase that is not zero, *de minimis*, or based entirely on facts otherwise available. Moreover, as discussed above, we have assigned a rate based entirely on AFA to the other mandatory respondent, Nanwang. Consequently, the rate calculated for Hexachase is also assigned as the rate for all other producers and exporters,

⁶ For a further discussion, see the Issues and Decision Memorandum.

pursuant to section 735(c)(5)(A) of the Act.

Final Determination

The final estimated weighted-average dumping margins are as follows:

Exporter/producer	Weighted-average dumping margin (percent)
Hexachase Packaging Sdn. Bhd Nanwang Pack (M) Sdn. Bhd	3.18 * 112.22
Kooka Paper Manufacturing Sdn. Bhd	* 112.22
All Others	3.18

* Based on AFA.

Disclosure

Commerce intends to disclose its calculations and analysis performed to interested parties in this final determination 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).

Continuation of Suspension of Liquidation

In accordance with section 735(c)(1)(B) of the Act, Commerce will instruct U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) to continue to suspend liquidation of all entries of paper bags from Malaysia, as described in Appendix I of this notice, which were entered or withdrawn from warehouse for consumption on or after January 3, 2024, the date of publication of the *Preliminary Determination* of this investigation in the **Federal Register**.

Pursuant to section 735(c)(1)(B)(ii) of the Act, upon the publication of this notice, Commerce will instruct CBP to require a cash deposit equal to the weighted-average amount by which the normal value exceeds U.S. price as follows: (1) the cash deposit rate for the respondents listed above will be equal to the company-specific estimated weighted-average dumping margins determined in this preliminary determination; (2) if the exporter is not a respondent identified above, but the producer is, then the cash deposit rate will be equal to the company-specific estimated weighted-average dumping margin established for that producer of the subject merchandise; and (3) the cash deposit rate for all other producers and exporters will be equal to the all-others estimated weighted-average dumping margin listed in the table above. These suspension of liquidation instructions will remain in effect until further notice.

U.S. International Trade Commission Notification

In accordance with section 735(d) of the Act, we will notify the U.S. International Trade Commission (ITC) of our final affirmative determination of sales at LTFV. Because the final determination in this investigation is affirmative, in accordance with section 735(b)(2) of the Act, the ITC will make its final determination as to whether the domestic industry in the United States is materially injured, or threatened with material injury, by reason of imports of subject merchandise from Indonesia no later than 45 days after our final determination. If the ITC determines that such injury does not exist, this proceeding will be terminated, and all cash deposits posted will be refunded. If the ITC determines that such injury does exist, Commerce will issue an antidumping duty order directing CBP to assess, upon further instruction by Commerce, antidumping duties on all imports of the subject merchandise that are entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after the effective date of the suspension of liquidation, as discussed above in the “Continuation of Suspension of Liquidation” section.

Administrative Protective Order

This notice serves as a final reminder to the parties subject to an administrative protective order (APO) of their responsibility concerning the disposition of proprietary information disclosed under APO in accordance with 19 CFR 351.305(a)(3). Timely written notification of the return or destruction of APO materials or conversion to judicial protective order is hereby requested. Failure to comply with the regulations and the terms of an APO is a violation which is subject to sanction.

Notification to Interested Parties

This final determination is issued and published in accordance with sections 735(d) and 777(i)(1) of the Act, and 19 CFR 351.210(c).

Dated: May 17, 2024.

Ryan Majerus,

Deputy Assistant Secretary for Policy and Negotiations, performing the non-exclusive functions and duties of the Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance.

Appendix I

Scope of the Investigation

The products within the scope of this investigation are paper shopping bags with handles of any type, regardless of whether there is any printing, regardless of how the top edges are finished (e.g., folded, serrated, or otherwise finished), regardless of color,

and regardless of whether the top edges contain adhesive or other material for sealing closed. Subject paper shopping bags have a width of at least 4.5 inches and depth of at least 2.5 inches.

Paper shopping bags typically are made of kraft paper but can be made from any type of cellulose fiber, paperboard, or pressboard with a basis weight less than 300 grams per square meter (GSM).

A non-exhaustive illustrative list of the types of handles on shopping bags covered by the scope include handles made from any materials such as twisted paper, flat paper, yarn, ribbon, rope, string, or plastic, as well as die-cut handles (whether the punchout is fully removed or partially attached as a flap).

Excluded from the scope are:

- Paper sacks or bags that are of a 1/4 or 1/2 barrel size (*i.e.*, 11.5–12.5 inches in width, 6.5–7.5 inches in depth, and 13.5–17.5 inches in height) with flat paper handles or die-cut handles;
- Paper sacks or bags with die-cut handles, a grams per square meter paper weight of less than 86 GSM, and a height of less than 11.5 inches; and
- Paper sacks or bags (i) with non-paper handles made wholly of woven ribbon or other similar woven fabric⁷ and (ii) that are finished with folded tops or for which tied knots or t-bar aglets (made of wood, metal, or plastic) are used to secure the handles to the bags.

The above-referenced dimensions are provided for paper bags in the opened position. The height of the bag is the distance from the bottom fold edge to the top edge (*i.e.*, excluding the height of handles that extend above the top edge). The depth of the bag is the distance from the front of the bag edge to the back of the bag edge (typically measured at the bottom of the bag). The width of the bag is measured from the left to the right edges of the front and back panels (upon which the handles typically are located).

This merchandise is currently classifiable under Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS) subheadings 4819.30.0040 and 4819.40.0040. The HTSUS subheadings are provided for convenience and customs purposes only; the written description of the scope is dispositive.

Appendix II

List of Topics Discussed in the Issues and Decision Memorandum

- I. Summary
- II. Background
- III. Changes Since the *Preliminary Determination*
- IV. Application of Facts Available and Use of Adverse Inferences
- V. Discussion of the Issues
 - Comment 1: Whether To Base the Final Dumping Margin for Nanwang on Total Adverse Facts Available
 - Comment 2: Whether To Assign Hexachase's Rate as the All Others Rate in the Final Determination

⁷ Paper sacks or bags with handles made of braided or twisted materials, such as rope or cord, do not qualify for this exclusion.

Comment 3: Whether To Utilize the Most Recent Data Files Submitted by Hexachase

Comment 4: Whether Commerce Should Correct Programming Language in the Comparison Market Program

VI. Recommendation

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

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Certain Paper Shopping Bags From the People's Republic of China: Final Affirmative Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value and Final Affirmative Critical Circumstances Determination

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

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of Commerce (Commerce) determines that certain paper shopping bags (paper bags) from the People's Republic of China (China) are being, or are likely to be, sold in the United States at less than fair value (LTFV). The period of investigation is October 1, 2022, through March 31, 2023.

DATES: Applicable May 24, 2024.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jinny Ahn or Tyler Weinhold, AD/CVD Operations, Office VI, Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482–0339 or (202) 482–1121, respectively.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On January 3, 2024, Commerce published in the *Federal Register* its preliminary affirmative determination in the LTFV investigation of paper bags from China, in which we also postponed the final determination until May 17, 2024.¹ We invited parties to comment on the *Preliminary Determination*.²

A summary of the events that occurred since Commerce published the *Preliminary Determination*, as well as a

¹ See *Certain Paper Shopping Bags from the People's Republic of China: Preliminary Affirmative Determinations of Sales at Less Than Fair Value, Preliminary Affirmative Determination of Critical Circumstances, Postponement of Final Determination, and Extension of Provisional Measures*, 89 FR 344 (January 3, 2024) (*Preliminary Determination*), and accompanying Preliminary Decision Memorandum (PDM).

² *Id.*

full discussion of the issues raised by parties for this final determination, may be found in the Issues and Decision Memorandum.³ The Issues and Decision Memorandum is a public document and is made available to the public via Enforcement and Compliance's Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Centralized Electronic Service System (ACCESS). ACCESS is available to registered users at <https://access.trade.gov>. In addition, a complete version of the Issues and Decision Memorandum can be accessed directly at <https://access.trade.gov/public/FRNoticesListLayout.aspx>.

Scope of the Investigation

The products covered by this investigation are paper bags from China. For a complete description of the scope of this investigation, see Appendix I.

Scope Comments

During the course of this investigation, Commerce received scope comments from parties. Commerce issued a Preliminary Scope Decision Memorandum to address these comments and set aside a period of time for parties to address scope issues in scope-specific case and rebuttal briefs.⁴ We received comments from parties on the Preliminary Scope Decision Memorandum, which we address in the Final Scope Decision Memorandum.⁵ We made no changes to the scope of the investigation from the scope published in the *Preliminary Determination*, as noted in Appendix I to this notice.

Final Affirmative Determination of Critical Circumstances

We continue to find that critical circumstances exist for imports of paper bags from China for Dongzheng Paperbag (DaLian) Factory (Dongzheng), the non-selected separate rate companies, and the China-wide entity pursuant to section 735(a)(3)(B) of Tariff

³ See Memorandum, “Decision Memorandum for the Final Affirmative Determination in the Less-Than-Fair-Value Investigation of Certain Paper Bags from the People's Republic of China,” dated concurrently with, and hereby adopted by, this notice (Issues and Decision Memorandum).

⁴ See Memorandum, “Less-Than-Fair-Value and Countervailing Duty Investigations of Certain Paper Shopping Bags from Cambodia, the People's Republic of China, Colombia, India, Malaysia, Portugal, Taiwan, the Republic of Turkey, and the Socialist Republic of Vietnam: Preliminary Scope Decision Memorandum,” dated December 27, 2023 (Preliminary Scope Decision Memorandum).

⁵ See Memorandum, “Less-Than-Fair Value and Countervailing Duty Investigations of Certain Paper Shopping Bags from Cambodia, the People's Republic of China, Colombia, India, Malaysia, Portugal, Taiwan, the Republic of Turkey, and the Socialist Republic of Vietnam: Final Scope Decision Memorandum,” dated March 11, 2024 (Final Scope Decision Memorandum).