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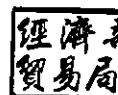
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主旨：陳報美國商務部公告，對我國在內等8國「預應力混凝土鋼絲線」反傾銷調查之初步認定事，敬請查照。

說明：

- 一、相關文號：本組本(2020)年9月4日經美字第1090000776號函。
- 二、美商務部於本年9月24日公告對旨揭產品反傾銷調查之初步認定，其中認定我國產品之反傾銷稅率為23.89%。去(2019)年美國自我國進口涉案產品金額約為300萬美元。
- 三、商務部將指示美國海關及邊境保護署(CBP)依據該初步認定之反傾銷稅率，對於旨揭產品進口商收取現金擔保。
- 四、本案重要時程：本年4月16日原告提出調查申請；5月6日商務部啟動調查；6月1日美國國際貿易委員會(ITC)初步認定；9月23日商務部初步認定；12月7日商務部最終認定；明(2021)年1月21日ITC最終認定；明年1月28日商務部發布反傾銷稅令。
- 五、檢附商務部新聞稿，併請卓參。



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U.S. Department of Commerce Issues Affirmative Preliminary Antidumping Duty Determinations on Imports of Prestressed Concrete Steel Wire Strand from Eight Countries

Press Release

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE ISSUES AFFIRMATIVE PRELIMINARY ANTIDUMPING DUTY DETERMINATIONS ON IMPORTS OF PRESTRESSED CONCRETE STEEL WIRE STRAND FROM EIGHT COUNTRIES

For Immediate Release

September 24, 2020

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WASHINGTON – Today, the U.S. Department of Commerce (Commerce) announced affirmative preliminary determinations in the antidumping duty (AD) investigations of imports of prestressed concrete steel wire (PC strand) from Argentina, Colombia, Egypt, the Netherlands, Saudi Arabia, Taiwan, Turkey, and the United Arab Emirates.

Commerce preliminarily determined that exporters from the countries listed below have dumped PC strand in the United States at the following margins:

- 60.40 percent for Argentina
- 86.09 percent for Colombia
- 29.72 percent for Egypt
- 30.86 percent for the Netherlands
- 194.40 percent for Saudi Arabia
- 23.89 percent for Taiwan
- 53.65 percent for Turkey
- 170.65 percent for the United Arab Emirates

As a result, Commerce will instruct U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) to collect cash deposits from importers of PC strand from these eight countries based on the preliminary rates noted above.

The petitions were filed by Insteel Wire Products Company (Mount Airy, NC), Sumiden Wire Products Corporation (Dickson, TN), and Wire Mesh Corporation (Houston, TX).

Commerce is scheduled to announce its final determinations in these cases on or about December 8, 2020.

If Commerce's final determinations are affirmative, the U.S. International Trade Commission (ITC) will be scheduled to make its final injury determinations on or about January 21, 2021. If Commerce makes affirmative final determinations of dumping and the ITC makes affirmative final injury determinations, Commerce will issue AD orders. If Commerce makes a negative final determination of dumping or the ITC makes a negative final determination of injury, the investigation will be terminated and no order will be issued.

The 2019, imports of PC strand from the countries under investigation were approximately valued as follows:

- \$2.3 million for Argentina
- \$9.6 million for Colombia
- \$345.9 thousand for Egypt
- \$1.6 million for the Netherlands
- \$1.4 million for Saudi Arabia

- \$3.0 million for Taiwan
- \$13.1 million for Turkey
- \$2.3 million for the United Arab Emirates

Read the fact sheet on today's decision.

In addition to the eight AD investigations for which preliminary determinations were announced today, Commerce is also conducting seven other AD investigations of PC strand (from Indonesia, Italy, Malaysia, South Africa, Spain, Tunisia, and Ukraine), and one countervailing duty (CVD) investigation of PC strand (from Turkey).

The strict enforcement of U.S. trade law is a primary focus of the Trump Administration. Since the beginning of the current administration, Commerce has initiated 286 new AD and CVD investigations – a 267 percent increase from the comparable period in the previous administration.

The antidumping duty law provides American businesses and workers with an internationally accepted mechanism to seek relief from the harmful effects of unfair pricing of imports into the United States. Commerce currently maintains 540 AD and CVD orders – an all-time high – providing relief to American companies and industries impacted by unfair trade.

Foreign companies that price their products in the U.S. market below the cost of production or below prices in their home markets are subject to antidumping duties.

Commerce's Enforcement and Compliance unit within the International Trade Administration is responsible for vigorously enforcing U.S. trade laws and does so through an impartial, transparent process that abides by international rules and is based solely on facts submitted to the public record.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

INTERNATIONAL TRADE ADMINISTRATION

A-583-868

Prestressed Concrete Steel Wire Strand from Taiwan: Preliminary Affirmative Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value and Negative Preliminary Determination of Critical Circumstances

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

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce (Commerce) preliminarily determines that prestressed concrete steel wire strand (PC strand) from Taiwan is being, or is likely to be, sold in the United States at less than fair value (LTFV). The period of investigation (POI) is April 1, 2019 through March 31, 2020. Interested parties are invited to comment on this preliminary determination.

DATES: Applicable [INSERT DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE *FEDERAL REGISTER*].

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Joy Zhang or John Hoffner, AD/CVD

Operations, Office III, Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230, telephone: (202) 482-1168 or (202) 482-3315, respectively.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

This preliminary determination is made in accordance with section 733(b) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act). Commerce published the notice of initiation of this

investigation on May 13, 2020.¹ For a complete description of the events that followed the initiation of this investigation, *see* the Preliminary Decision Memorandum.² A list of topics included in the Preliminary Decision Memorandum is included as Appendix II 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). ACCESS 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 <http://enforcement.trade.gov/frn/>. The signed and the electronic versions of the Preliminary Decision Memorandum are identical in content.

Scope of the Investigation

The product covered by this investigation is PC strand from Taiwan. For a complete description of the scope of this investigation, *see* Appendix I.

Scope Comments

In accordance with the preamble to Commerce's regulations,³ the *Initiation Notice* set aside a period of time for parties to raise issues regarding product coverage (*i.e.*, scope).⁴ No interested party commented on the scope of the investigation as it appeared in the *Initiation Notice*. Therefore, Commerce is not preliminarily modifying the scope language as it appeared in the *Initiation Notice*. *See* the scope in Appendix I to this notice.

¹ *See Prestressed Concrete Steel Wire Strand from Argentina, Colombia, Egypt, Indonesia, Italy, Malaysia, the Netherlands, Saudi Arabia, South Africa, Spain, Taiwan, Tunisia, the Republic of Turkey, Ukraine, and the United Arab Emirates: Initiation of Less-Than-Fair-Value Investigations*, 85 FR 28605 (May 13, 2020) (*Initiation Notice*).

² *See* Memorandum, "Decision Memorandum for the Preliminary Determination in Less-Than-Fair-Value Investigation of Prestressed Concrete Steel Wire Strand from Taiwan," dated concurrently with, and hereby adopted by, this notice (Preliminary Decision Memorandum).

³ *See Antidumping Duties; Countervailing Duties; Final Rule*, 62 FR 27296, 27323 (May 19, 1997).

⁴ *See Initiation Notice*, 85 FR at 28606.

Methodology

Commerce is conducting this investigation in accordance with section 731 of the Act. Pursuant to section 776(a) and (b) of the Act, Commerce has preliminarily relied upon facts otherwise available, with adverse inferences, for Chia Ta World Co., Ltd. (Chia Ta). For a full description of the methodology underlying the preliminary determination, *see* the Preliminary Decision Memorandum.

Preliminary Negative Determination of Critical Circumstances

In accordance with section 733(e) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.206, Commerce preliminarily determines that critical circumstances do not exist for Chia Ta and all other producers/exporters of PC strand from Taiwan. For a full description of the methodology and results of Commerce's critical circumstances analysis, *see* the Preliminary Decision Memorandum.

All-Others Rate

Sections 733(d)(1)(ii) and 735(c)(5)(A) of the Act provide that in the preliminary determination Commerce shall determine an estimated all-others rate for all exporters and producers not individually investigated. This rate shall be an amount equal to the weighted average of the estimated weighted-average dumping margins established for exporters and producers individually investigated, excluding any zero and *de minimis* margins, and any margins 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 preliminarily determined the estimated weighted-average dumping margin for Chia Ta, the sole mandatory respondent, under section 776 of the Act. Consequently, pursuant to section 735(c)(5)(B) of the Act, Commerce's normal practice under these circumstances has been to calculate the all-others rate as a simple average of the alleged dumping margins from the petition. With respect to Taiwan, in the Petitions,⁵ the petitioners⁶ alleged only one margin. Therefore, we have preliminarily assigned the only margin alleged for subject merchandise from Taiwan in the Petitions, which is 23.89 percent, to all other producers/exporters.⁷

Preliminary Determination

Commerce preliminarily determines that the following estimated dumping margins exist during the period April 1, 2019 through March 31, 2020:

Exporter/Producer	Estimated Dumping Margin (percent)
Chia Ta World Co., Ltd***	23.89
All Others	23.89

***Adverse Facts Available (AFA)

Suspension of Liquidation

In accordance with section 733(d)(2) of the Act, Commerce will direct U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) to suspend liquidation of entries of subject merchandise, as described in

⁵ See Petitioner's Letter, "Prestressed Concrete Steel Wire Strand from Argentina, Colombia, Egypt, Indonesia, Italy, Malaysia, Netherlands, Saudi Arabia, South Africa, Spain, Taiwan, Tunisia, Turkey, Ukraine, and United Arab Emirates - Petition for the Imposition of Antidumping and Countervailing Duties," dated April 16, 2020 (the Petitions) at Volume XII; *see also* AD Investigation Initiation Checklist: Prestressed Concrete Steel Wire Strand from Taiwan, dated May 6, 2020 (AD Checklist).

⁶ Insteel Wire Products Company, Sumiden Wire Products Corporation, and Wire Mesh Corporation (collectively, the petitioners).

⁷ See AD Checklist.

Appendix I, entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after the date of publication of this notice in the *Federal Register*. Further, pursuant to section 733(d)(1)(B) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.205(d), Commerce will instruct CBP to require a cash deposit equal to the estimated weighted-average dumping margin or the estimated all-others rate, as follows: (1) the cash deposit rate for Chia Ta will be equal to the company-specific estimated weighted-average dumping margin 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.

These suspension of liquidation instructions will remain in effect until further notice.

Disclosure

Normally, Commerce discloses to interested parties the calculations performed in connection with a preliminary determination within five days of any public announcement or, if there is no public announcement, within five days of the date of publication of the notice of preliminary determination in the *Federal Register*, in accordance with 19 CFR 351.224(b). However, because Commerce preliminarily applied AFA in determining the estimated weighted-average margin for the sole individually examined company, Chia Ta, in this investigation, in accordance with section 776 of the Act, and the applied AFA rate is based solely on the single rate alleged in the petition, there are no calculations to disclose.

Verification

Because Chia Ta did not provide information requested by Commerce, and Commerce preliminarily determines Chia Ta to be uncooperative, we will not conduct verification.

Public Comment

Case briefs or other written comments may be submitted to the Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance no later than 30 days after the date of publication of this preliminary determination, unless Commerce alters the time limit.⁸ Rebuttal briefs, limited to issues raised in case briefs, may be submitted no later than seven days after the deadline date for case briefs.⁹ Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.309(c)(2) and (d)(2), parties who submit case briefs or rebuttal briefs in these proceedings are encouraged to submit with each argument: (1) a statement of the issue; (2) a brief summary of the argument; and (3) a table of authorities.

Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.310(c), interested parties who wish to request a hearing, limited to issues raised in the case and rebuttal briefs, must submit a written request to the Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance, U.S. Department of Commerce, within 30 days after the date of 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 the issues to be discussed. If a request for a hearing is made, Commerce intends to hold the hearing at a time and date to be determined. Parties should confirm by telephone the date, time, and location of the hearing two days before the scheduled date.

Parties are reminded that briefs and hearing requests are to be filed electronically using ACCESS and that electronically filed documents must be received successfully in their entirety by ACCESS by 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time on the due date. Note that Commerce has temporarily

⁸ See 19 CFR 351.309(c)(1)(i); see also 19 CFR 351.303 (for general filing requirements); *Temporary Rule Modifying AD/CVD Service Requirements Due to COVID-19*, 85 FR 17006 (March 26, 2020) (*Temporary Rule*); and *Temporary Rule Modifying AD/CVD Service Requirements Due to COVID-19; Extension of Effective Period*, 85 FR 41363 (July 10, 2020).

⁹ See 19 CFR 351.309(d); see also 19 CFR 351.303 (for general filing requirements); and *Temporary Rule*.

modified certain of its requirements for serving documents containing business proprietary information, until further notice.¹⁰

Final Determination

Section 735(a)(1) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.210(b)(1) provide that Commerce will issue the final determination within 75 days after the date of its preliminary determination.

Accordingly, Commerce will make its final determination no later than 75 days after the signature date of this preliminary determination.

International Trade Commission Notification

In accordance with section 733(f) of the Act, Commerce will notify the International Trade Commission (ITC) of its preliminary determination. If the final determination is affirmative, in accordance with 735(b), the ITC will determine before the later of 120 days after the date of this preliminary determination or 45 days after the final determination whether these imports are materially injuring, or threaten material injury to, the U.S. industry.

Notification to Interested Parties

This determination is issued and published in accordance with sections 733(f) and 777(i)(1) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.205(c).

Dated: September 23, 2020

/S/ Jeffrey I. Kessler

Jeffrey I. Kessler
Assistant Secretary
for Enforcement and Compliance

¹⁰ See *Temporary Rule*.

Appendix I

Scope of the Investigation

The merchandise covered by this investigation is prestressed concrete steel wire strand (PC strand), produced from wire of non-stainless, non-galvanized steel, which is suitable for use in prestressed concrete (both pretensioned and post-tensioned) applications. The product definition encompasses covered and uncovered strand and all types, grades, and diameters of PC strand. PC strand is normally sold in the United States in sizes ranging from 0.25 inches to 0.70 inches in diameter. PC strand made from galvanized wire is only excluded from the scope if the zinc and/or zinc oxide coating meets or exceeds the 0.40 oz./ft² standard set forth in ASTM-A-475.

The PC strand subject to this investigation is currently classifiable under subheadings 7312.10.3010 and 7312.10.3012 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS). Although the HTSUS subheadings are provided for convenience and customs purposes, the written description of the scope of the investigation is dispositive.

Appendix II

List of Topics Discussed in the Preliminary Decision Memorandum:

- I. Summary
- II. Background
- III. Period of Investigation
- IV. Scope of Investigation
- V. Application of Facts Available and Use of Adverse Inferences and Calculation of All-
Others Rate
- VI. Preliminary Critical Circumstances Finding
- VII. Recommendation