
Final Results of Changed Circumstances Review

Pursuant to section 751(b)(1) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act), and 19 CFR 351.216, Commerce has determined that sufficient changed circumstances warranting a cash deposit adjustment do not exist. As explained in the I&D Memo, Argentina’s export tax regime is in flux, leading Commerce to conclude that there are not sufficient changed circumstances to warrant such an adjustment. Therefore, Commerce is making no changes to the cash deposit rates as listed in the order.

Administrative Protective Order (APO)

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

Notification to Interested Parties

We are issuing and publishing these final results and notice in accordance with sections 751(b)(1) and 777(i) of the Act, and 19 CFR 351.216 and 19 CFR 351.222.


Jeffrey I. Kessler,
Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance.

Appendix I

Scope of the Order

The product covered by this order is biodiesel, which is a fuel comprised of monoalkyl esters of long chain fatty acids derived from vegetable oils or animal fats, including biologically-based waste oils or greases, and other biologically-based oil or fat sources. The order covers biodiesel in pure form (B100) as well as fuel mixtures containing at least 99 percent biodiesel by volume (B99). For fuel mixtures containing less than 99 percent biodiesel by volume, only the biodiesel component of the mixture is covered by the scope of the order.

Biodiesel is generally produced to American Society for Testing and Materials International (ASTM) D6751 specifications, but it can also be made to other specifications. Biodiesel commonly has one of the following Chemical Abstracts Service (CAS) numbers, generally depending upon the feedstock used: 6778–84–9 (soybean oil methyl esters); 91051–34–2 (palm oil methyl esters); 91051–32–0 (palm kernel oil methyl esters); 73891–99–3 (rapeseed oil methyl esters); 61788–61–2 (tallow methyl esters); 68990–52–3 (vegetable oil methyl esters); 129828–16–6 (canola oil methyl esters); 67762–26–9 (unsaturated alkyl carboxylic acid methyl ester); or 68937–84–8 (fatty acids, C12–C18, methyl ester).

The B100 product subject to the order is currently classifiable under HTSUS 3826.00.1000 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS), while the B99 product is currently classifiable under HTSUS subheading 3826.00.3000. Although the HTSUS subheadings, ASTM specifications, and CAS numbers are provided for convenience and customs purposes, the written description of the scope is dispositive.

Attachment II

List of Topics Discussed in the Issues and Decision Memorandum

I. Summary
II. Background
III. Final Results of Review
IV. Discussion of the Issues

Comment 1: Relevance of the GOA’s Changes after the Preliminary Results
Comment 2: Whether Commerce Properly Initiated the CCR
Comment 3: Whether Commerce Properly Conducted the CCR
Comment 4: Whether a Financial Contribution Still Exists

V. Recommendation

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
International Trade Administration
[A–357–820]

Biodiesel From Argentina: Final Results of Antidumping Duty Changed Circumstances Review

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

SUMMARY: On July 9, 2019, the Department of Commerce (Commerce) published the preliminary results of the changed circumstances review (CCR) of the antidumping duty (AD) order on biodiesel from Argentina. For these final results, Commerce continues to find that there are insufficient changed circumstances to warrant any revisions under the AD order.


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On April 26, 2018, Commerce published the AD order on biodiesel from Argentina. On November 13, 2018, in response to a request submitted by the Government of Argentina (GOA), joined by Vicentin S.A.I.C. (Vicentin) and LDC Argentina (LDC), Commerce initiated a CCR for both the AD and countervailing duty (CVD) orders. Commerce exercised its discretion to toll all deadlines affected by the partial federal government closure from December 22, 2018 through the resumption of operations on January 29, 2019. On July 1, 2019, Commerce issued the Preliminary Results and placed additional information on the record of the CCR, pursuant to 19 CFR 351.301(c)(4). Commerce preliminarily found that the “particular market situation” regarding the price of soybeans as an element of the cost of production of biodiesel in Argentina still existed, and that no changes under the AD order were warranted as a result of the changed circumstances presented by the GOA. In accordance with 19 CFR 351.309, Commerce invited parties to comment on the Preliminary Results. On July 5, 2019, Commerce provided interested parties until July 12, 2019 to place additional information on the record in order to “rebut, clarify, or correct” the information placed on the record by Commerce. On July 12, 2019, the National Biodiesel Board and Fair Trade Coalition (the petitioner), and LDC and Vicentin submitted additional factual information.

1 See Biodiesel from the Republic of Argentina and Indonesia: Antidumping Duty Orders, 83 FR 18279 (April 26, 2018) (Order).
4 See Biodiesel from Argentina: Preliminary Results of Changed Circumstances Reviews of the Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Orders, 84 FR 32714 (July 9, 2019) (Preliminary Results); see also Memorandum, “Additional Information Concerning the Preliminary Changed Circumstances Reviews of Biodiesel,” dated July 1, 2019.
5 See Preliminary Results, 84 FR at 32716–17.
7 See Petitioner’s Letter, “Biodiesel from Argentina: Factual Information Pursuant to 19 CFR 301(c)(4),” dated July 12, 2019; see also LDC Argentina and Vicentin’s Letter, “Biodiesel from... Continued
Commerce put a hold on the deadlines for case and rebuttal briefs. On September 5, 2019, Commerce reinstated deadlines for case and rebuttal briefs.

On September 11, 2019, the petitioner requested an indefinite suspension of the deadlines for briefs and the final determination. On September 12, 2019, the GOA responded, stating that a short extension of the deadlines would be acceptable. On September 12, 2019, Commerce issued a short extension of the deadlines. The petitioner and the GOA submitted case briefs on September 17, 2019. On September 23, 2019, the petitioner and the GOA submitted rebuttal briefs.

On October 16, 2019, Commerce placed additional factual information on the record of this proceeding. In response, the petitioner placed additional factual information on the record on October 24, 2019. Between the time Commerce released its Preliminary Results and the publication of these final results, Commerce has held numerous phone calls and meetings with parties.

**Scope of the Order**

The product covered by the Order is biodiesel from Argentina. For a complete description of the scope of the Order, see Appendix I of this notice.

**Analysis of Comments Received**

We addressed all issues raised in the case and rebuttal briefs by parties to this review in the Issues and Decision Memorandum (I&D Memo). Attached to this notice, in Appendix II, is a list of the issues which parties raised. The I&D Memo is a public document and on file in the Central Records Unit (CRU), Room B8024 of the main Commerce building, as well as electronically via Enforcement and Compliance’s Antidumping and 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 I&D Memo can be accessed directly on the internet at http://enforcement.trade.gov/frn/index.html. The signed I&D Memo and the electronic versions of the I&D Memo are identical in content.

**Final Results of Changed Circumstances Review**

Pursuant to section 751(b)(1) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act), and 19 CFR 351.216, Commerce determines that there are insufficient changed circumstances to warrant any changes under the AD Order.

**Cash Deposit Requirements and Assessment**

In light of our final results, Commerce is not issuing instructions to U.S. Customs and Border Protection.

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4th Tier Cigarettes From the Republic of Korea: Postponement of Preliminary Determination in the Less-Than-Fair-Value Investigation

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


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On January 7, 2020, the Department of Commerce (Commerce) initiated a less-than-fair-value (LTFV) investigation of imports of 4th Tier Cigarettes (cigarettes) from the Republic of Korea.¹ Currently, the preliminary determination is due no later than May 26, 2020.

Postponement of Preliminary Determination

Section 733(b)(1)(A) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act), requires Commerce to issue the preliminary determination in an LTFV investigation within 140 days after the date on which Commerce initiated the investigation. However, section 733(c)(1) of the Act permits Commerce to postpone the preliminary determination until no later than 190 days after the date on which Commerce initiated the investigation if: (A) The petitioner makes a timely request for a postponement; or (B) Commerce concludes that the parties concerned are cooperating, that the investigation is extraordinarily complicated, and that additional time is necessary to make a preliminary determination. Under 19 CFR 351.205(e), the petitioner must submit a request for postponement 25 days or more before the scheduled date of the preliminary determination and must state the reasons for the request. Commerce will grant the request unless it finds compelling reasons to deny the request.

On April 28, 2020, the petitioner submitted a timely request that Commerce postpone the preliminary determination in this LTFV investigation. The petitioner requests that Commerce fully extend the deadline for the preliminary determination to issue, if necessary, supplemental questionnaires and receive responses to those supplemental questionnaires, and “allow all parties ample time to fully and accurately analyze the information on this record prior to the preliminary determination and ensure an accurate preliminary calculation of dumping margins.” For the reasons stated above and because there are no compelling reasons to deny the request, Commerce, in accordance with section 733(c)(1)(A) of the Act, is postponing the deadline for the preliminary determination by 50 days (i.e., 190 days after the date on which this investigation was initiated). As a result, Commerce will issue its preliminary determination no later than July 15, 2020. In accordance with section 735(a)(1) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.210(b)(1), the deadline for the final determination in this investigation will continue to be 75 days after the date of the preliminary determination, unless postponed.

Notification to Interested Parties

This notice is issued and published pursuant to section 733(c)(2) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.205(f)(1).

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for Review and Approval; Comment Request; Large Pelagic Fishing Survey

The Department of Commerce will submit the following information collection request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and clearance in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, on or after the date of publication of this notice. We invite the general public and other Federal agencies to comment on proposed, and continuing information collections, which helps us assess the impact of our information collection requirements and minimize the public’s reporting burden. Public comments were previously requested via the Federal Register on January 7, 2020, during a 60-day comment period. This notice allows for an additional 30 days for public comments.


Title: Large Pelagic Fishing Survey.

OMB Control Number: 0648–0380.

Form Number(s): None.

Type of Request: Regular submission (extension of a current information collection).

Number of Respondents: 15,024.

Average Hours per Response: 11 minutes for a telephone interview; 5 minutes for a dockside interview; 1½ minutes to respond to a follow-up validation call for dockside interviews; 1 minute for a biological sampling of catch.

Total Annual Burden Hours: 3,608.

Needs and Uses: This request is for extension of a currently approved


² The petitioner is the Coalition Against Korean Cigarettes.


⁴ Id. at 2.