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Konu: ABD / Fren Kampanaları Anti-Damping ve Sübvansiyon Soruşturmaları Hk.

Sayın Üyemiz,

T.C. Ticaret Bakanlığı İthalat Genel Müdürlüğünden alınan bir yazıda, Amerika Birleşik Devletleri'nde (ABD) yerli üreticiler tarafından ülkemizin yanı sıra Çin Halk Cumhuriyeti (ÇHC) menşeli, **fren kampanası ürünleri (Brake Drums)** ithalatına karşı anti-damping ve sübvansiyon soruşturması açılması için ABD Ticaret Bakanlığı (DoC) ve ABD Uluslararası Ticaret Komisyonu'na (USITC) başvuruda bulunduğu ve USITC tarafından zarara ilişkin bir ön soruşturma başlatıldığı bildirilmektedir.

Bu defa, yazıda DoC Uluslararası Ticaret İdaresince (ITA) tarafından anti-damping ve sübvansiyon soruşturmalarının açıldığına ilişkin Ek 1 ve Ek 2'de yer alan bildirimlerin ITA tarafından ACCESS'te (ABD Ticaret Departmanı Çevrimiçi Belge Portalı'nda) 11 Temmuz 2024 tarihinde yayımlandığı belirtilmiştir. Anılan bildirimlerin incelenmesinden de görüleceği üzere ITA tarafından açılan mezkur soruşturmanın ABD Gümrük Tarife Cetveli'ne göre 8708.30.50.20 gümrük tarife pozisyonu altında yer alan ürünlere yönelik açıldığı, bununla birlikte ilgili ürünlerin bir montajın parçası olarak girildiğinde 8708.30.50.90 gümrük tarife pozisyonu altında sınıflandırılabilceği, ayrıca 8716.90.50.60 gümrük tarife pozisyonu altına da girebileceği, mezkur soruşturmalarda gümrük tarife pozisyonlarının kolaylık sağlaması ve gümrük amaçları için verilmiş olsa da, bu soruşturmalar kapsamındaki ürünlerin yazılı tanımının belirleyici olacağına anlaşıldığı ifade edilmektedir.

Bununla birlikte, anti-damping soruşturmasının döneminin 1 Nisan 2023- 31 Mart 2024, sübvansiyon soruşturmasının döneminin ise 1 Ocak 2023-31 Aralık 2023 olduğu belirtilmektedir.

Yazıda devamla, ITA'nın, ihracatçı firma sayısının fazla olması durumunda soruşturma kapsamında yer alacak firmaları seçme yoluna gidebileceği ve söz konusu seçme işleminin, miktar ve değer soru formu (Quantity and Value Questionnaire) aracılığıyla yapabileceği belirtilmektedir.

Bu çerçevede, 11 Temmuz 2024 tarihinde ACCESS'te yayımlanan ve ITA tarafından belirlenen firmalara e-posta yoluyla iletilmiş olduğu anlaşılan bahse konu soru formları ekte (Ek3 ve Ek 4) yer almaktadır. Anılan soru formlarının incelenmesinden, mezkur formların **24 Temmuz 2024 tarihine kadar** cevaplanması gerektiği, formların iletildiği firmaların cevaplamaması halinde söz konusu firmaların işbirliği yapmadığı varsayımına yol açabileceği, ve eldeki veriler (facts otherwise available) arasından seçim yaparken firmaların çıkarlarına aykırı bir çıkarımda bulunabileceği anlaşılmaktadır.

İlaveten, söz konusu açılış bildirimlerinde, e-posta yoluyla anılan soru formları taraflarına iletilmemiş olan firmaların, <https://www.trade.gov/ec-adcvd-case-announcements> adresinden ilgili soru formlarına erişim sağlayabileceği; cevaplarını da ACCESS üzerinden gönderebileceği ifade edilmektedir.



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Öte yandan, İTA tarafından mezkûr sübvansiyon soruşturması kapsamında firmalarımıza gönderilecek soru formunun yanı sıra Bakanlığımıza da verilen sübvansiyonlar hakkında bilgi talep edilen bir hükümet soru formu gönderileceği; soruşturma süresince firmalarımız ve Bakanlığımız arasında koordineli olarak çalışılmasının büyük önem arz ettiği belirtilmektedir.

Bilgilerini rica ederim.

Dr. Osman ERŞAHAN
Genel Sekreter Yrd.

Ekler:

- 1- İTA Damping Soruşturması Açılış Bildirimi-Unpublished
- 2- İTA Telafi Edici Vergi Soruşturması Açılış Bildirimi-Unpublished
- 3- Miktar ve Değer Soru Formu- AD
- 4- Miktar ve Değer Soru Formu- TEV



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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[C-570-175, C-489-854]

Certain Brake Drums from the People’s Republic of China and the Republic of Türkiye:
Initiation of Countervailing Duty Investigations

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

DATES: Applicable July 10, 2024.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Nathan James (the People’s Republic of China
(China)), and Kyle Clahane (Republic of Türkiye (Türkiye)), AD/CVD Operations, Offices V
and III, Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of
Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482-
5305, and (202) 482-5449, respectively.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

The Petitions

On June 20, 2024, the U.S. Department of Commerce (Commerce) received
countervailing duty (CVD) petitions concerning imports of certain brake drums (brake drums),
from China and Türkiye filed in proper form on behalf of Webb Wheel Products, Inc. (the
petitioner), a U.S. producer of brake drums.¹ The CVD petitions were accompanied by
antidumping duty (AD) petitions concerning imports of brake drums from China and Türkiye.²

¹ See Petitioner’s Letters, “Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Petitions on Behalf of Webb Wheel Products
Inc.,” dated June 20, 2024 (Petitions).

² See, generally, Petitions.

Between June 24 and July 5, 2024, Commerce requested supplemental information pertaining to certain aspects of the Petitions.³ Between June 28 and July 8, 2024, the petitioner filed timely responses to these requests for additional information.⁴

In accordance with section 702(b)(1) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act), the petitioner alleges that the Government of China (GOC) and the Government of Türkiye (GOT) (collectively, Governments) are providing countervailable subsidies, within the meaning of sections 701 and 771(5) of the Act, to producers of brake drums from China and Türkiye, and that such imports are materially injuring, or threatening material injury to, the domestic industry producing brake drums in the United States. Consistent with section 702(b)(1) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.202(b), for those alleged programs on which we are initiating CVD investigations, the Petitions were accompanied by information reasonably available to the petitioner supporting its allegations.

Commerce finds that the petitioner filed the Petitions on behalf of the domestic industry because the petitioner is an interested party as defined in section 771(9)(C) of the Act. Commerce also finds that the petitioner demonstrated sufficient industry support with respect to the initiation of the requested CVD investigations.⁵

³ See Commerce’s Letters, “Supplemental Questionnaire,” dated June 24, 2024 (General Issues Questionnaire); “Petition for the Imposition of Countervailing Duties on Imports of Certain Brake Drums from the Republic of Türkiye: Supplemental Questions,” dated June 24, 2024; “Petition for the Imposition of Countervailing Duties on Imports of Certain Brake Drums from China: Supplemental Questions,” dated June 25, 2024; and “Supplemental Questions,” dated July 5, 2024; *see also* Memoranda, “Phone Call with Counsel to the Petitioner,” dated July 2, 2024 (July 2, 2024, Memorandum).

⁴ See Petitioner’s Letters, “Supplemental Questionnaire Response, Volume I,” dated June 28, 2024 (General Issues Supplement); “Certain Brake Drums from Türkiye: Supplemental Questionnaire Response, Volume V,” dated July 1, 2024; “Certain Brake Drums from the People’s Republic of China: Supplemental Questionnaire Response,” dated July 2, 2024; “Supplemental Questionnaire Response, Volume I,” dated July 5, 2024 (Second General Issues Supplement); and “Supplemental Questionnaire Response, Volume I,” dated July 8, 2024 (Industry Support Supplement).

⁵ See section on “Determination of Industry Support for the Petitions,” *infra*.

Periods of Investigation

Because the Petitions were filed on June 20, 2024, the periods of investigation for the China and Türkiye CVD investigations are January 1, 2023, through December 31, 2023.⁶

Scope of the Investigations

The products covered by these investigations are brake drums from China and Türkiye. For a full description of the scope of these investigations, *see* the appendix to this notice.

Comments on the Scope of the Investigations

Between June 24 and July 2, 2024, Commerce requested information and clarification from the petitioner regarding the proposed scope to ensure that the scope language in the Petitions is an accurate reflection of the products for which the domestic industry is seeking relief.⁷ Between June 28 and July 5, 2024, the petitioner provided clarifications and revised the scope.⁸ The description of merchandise covered by these investigations, as shown in the appendix to this notice, reflects these clarifications.

As discussed in the *Preamble* to Commerce's regulations, we are setting aside a period for interested parties to raise issues regarding product coverage (*i.e.*, scope).⁹ Commerce will consider all comments received from interested parties and, if necessary, will consult with interested parties prior to the issuance of the preliminary determinations. If scope comments include factual information, all such factual information should be limited to public information.¹⁰ To facilitate preparation of its questionnaires, Commerce requests that scope comments be submitted by 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time (ET) on July 30, 2024, which is 20 calendar

⁶ See 19 CFR 351.204(b)(2).

⁷ See General Issues Questionnaire; *see also* July 2 Memorandum.

⁸ See First General Issues Supplement at 1-2 and Exhibit I-S1-3; and Second General Issues Supplement at 1-2.

⁹ See *Antidumping Duties; Countervailing Duties; Final Rule*, 62 FR 27296, 27323 (May 19, 1997) (*Preamble*).

¹⁰ See 19 CFR 351.102(b)(21) (defining "factual information").

days from the signature date of this notice.¹¹ Any rebuttal comments, which may include factual information, must be filed by 5:00 p.m. ET on August 9, 2024, which is 10 calendar days from the initial comment deadline.

Commerce requests that any factual information that parties consider relevant to the scope of the investigations be submitted during that time period. However, if a party subsequently finds that additional factual information pertaining to the scope of the investigations may be relevant, the party must contact Commerce and request permission to submit the additional information. All scope comments must be filed simultaneously on the records of the concurrent AD and CVD investigations.

Filing Requirements

All submissions to Commerce must be filed electronically via Enforcement and Compliance's Antidumping Duty and Countervailing Duty Centralized Electronic Service System (ACCESS), unless an exception applies.¹² An electronically filed document must be received successfully in its entirety by the time and date it is due.

Consultations

Pursuant to sections 702(b)(4)(A)(i) and (ii) of the Act, Commerce notified the Governments of the receipt of the Petitions and provided an opportunity for consultations with

¹¹ See 19 CFR 351.303(b)(1).

¹² See *Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Proceedings: Electronic Filing Procedures; Administrative Protective Order Procedures*, 76 FR 39263 (July 6, 2011); see also *Enforcement and Compliance; Change of Electronic Filing System Name*, 79 FR 69046 (November 20, 2014), for details of Commerce's electronic filing requirements, effective August 5, 2011. Information on using ACCESS can be found at <https://access.trade.gov/help.aspx> and a handbook can be found at https://access.trade.gov/help/Handbook_on_Electronic_Filing_Procedures.pdf.

respect to the Petitions.¹³ Commerce held consultations with the GOT on July 9, 2024.¹⁴ The GOC filed consultation remarks in lieu of consultations on July 8, 2024.¹⁵

Determination of Industry Support for the Petitions

Section 702(b)(1) of the Act requires that a petition be filed on behalf of the domestic industry. Section 702(c)(4)(A) of the Act provides that a petition meets this requirement if the domestic producers or workers who support the petition account for: (i) at least 25 percent of the total production of the domestic like product; and (ii) more than 50 percent of the production of the domestic like product produced by that portion of the industry expressing support for, or opposition to, the petition. Moreover, section 702(c)(4)(D) of the Act provides that, if the petition does not establish support of domestic producers or workers accounting for more than 50 percent of the total production of the domestic like product, Commerce shall: (i) poll the industry or rely on other information in order to determine if there is support for the petition, as required by subparagraph (A); or (ii) determine industry support using a statistically valid sampling method to poll the “industry.”

Section 771(4)(A) of the Act defines the “industry” as the producers as a whole of a domestic like product. Thus, to determine whether a petition has the requisite industry support, the statute directs Commerce to look to producers and workers who produce the domestic like product. The U.S. International Trade Commission (ITC), which is responsible for determining whether “the domestic industry” has been injured, must also determine what constitutes a domestic like product in order to define the industry. While both Commerce and the ITC apply

¹³ See Commerce’s Letters, “Petition for the Imposition of Countervailing Duties on Imports of Certain Brake Drums from China: Invitation for Consultations,” dated June 25, 2024; and “Countervailing Duty Petition on Certain Brake Drums from the Republic of Türkiye,” dated June 20, 2024.

¹⁴ See Memorandum, “Consultation with Officials from Government of Türkiye,” dated July 9, 2024.

¹⁵ See GOC’s Letter, “Comments on Countervailing Duty Petition on Certain Brake Drums from the People’s Republic of China (C-570-175),” dated July 8, 2024.

the same statutory definition regarding the domestic like product,¹⁶ they do so for different purposes and pursuant to a separate and distinct authority. In addition, Commerce's determination is subject to limitations of time and information. Although this may result in different definitions of the like product, such differences do not render the decision of either agency contrary to law.¹⁷

Section 771(10) of the Act defines the domestic like product as "a product which is like, or in the absence of like, most similar in characteristics and uses with, the article subject to an investigation under this title." Thus, the reference point from which the domestic like product analysis begins is "the article subject to an investigation" (*i.e.*, the class or kind of merchandise to be investigated, which normally will be the scope as defined in the petition).

With regard to the domestic like product, the petitioner does not offer a definition of the domestic like product distinct from the scope of the investigations.¹⁸ Based on our analysis of the information submitted on the record, we have determined that brake drums, as defined in the scope, constitute a single domestic like product, and we have analyzed industry support in terms of that domestic like product.¹⁹

In determining whether the petitioner has standing under section 702(c)(4)(A) of the Act, we considered the industry support data contained in the Petitions with reference to the domestic

¹⁶ See section 771(10) of the Act.

¹⁷ See *USEC, Inc. v. United States*, 132 F. Supp. 2d 1, 8 (CIT 2001) (citing *Algoma Steel Corp., Ltd. v. United States*, 688 F. Supp. 639, 644 (CIT 1988), *aff'd Algoma Steel Corp., Ltd. v. United States*, 865 F.2d 240 (Fed. Cir. 1989)).

¹⁸ See Petitions at Volume I (pages I-9 through I-13 and Exhibits I-2 through I-4 and I-7); see also First General Issues Supplement at 4-7 and Exhibits I-SI-5 through I-SI-7); and Industry Support Supplement at 1.

¹⁹ For a discussion of the domestic like product analysis as applied to these cases and information regarding industry support, see Checklists, "Countervailing Duty Investigation Initiation Checklists: Certain Brake Drums from the People's Republic of China and the Republic of Türkiye," dated concurrently with, and hereby adopted by, this notice (Country-Specific CVD Initiation Checklists), at Attachment II, Analysis of Industry Support for the Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Petitions Covering Certain Brake Drums from the People's Republic of China and the Republic of Türkiye (Attachment II). These checklists are on file electronically via ACCESS.

like product as defined in the “Scope of the Investigations,” in the appendix to this notice. The petitioner estimated the 2023 production of the domestic like product for the only other known producer of brake drums in the United States.²⁰ The petitioner compared its production to the estimated total 2023 production of the domestic like product for the entire domestic industry.²¹ We relied on data provided by the petitioner for purposes of measuring industry support.²²

Our review of the data provided in the Petitions, the First General Issues Supplement, the Industry Support Supplement, and other information readily available to Commerce indicates that the petitioner has established industry support for the Petitions.²³ First, the Petitions established support from domestic producers (or workers) accounting for more than 50 percent of the total production of the domestic like product and, as such, Commerce is not required to take further action to evaluate industry support (*e.g.*, polling).²⁴ Second, the domestic producers (or workers) have met the statutory criteria for industry support under section 702(c)(4)(A)(i) of the Act because the domestic producers (or workers) who support the Petitions account for at least 25 percent of the total production of the domestic like product.²⁵ Finally, the domestic producers (or workers) have met the statutory criteria for industry support under section 702(c)(4)(A)(ii) of the Act because the domestic producers (or workers) who support the Petitions account for more than 50 percent of the production of the domestic like product produced by that portion of the industry expressing support for, or opposition to, the Petitions.²⁶

²⁰ See Petitions at Volume I (pages I-2 and I-3 and Exhibits I-1 and I-7); *see also* First General Issues Supplement at 2-3 and Exhibits I-S1-1 and I-S1-2.

²¹ See Petitions at Volume I (pages I-2 and I-3 and Exhibit I-1); *see also* First General Issues Supplement at 3 and Exhibit I-S1-2.

²² See Petition at Volume I (pages I-2 and I-3 and Exhibits I-1 and I-7); *see also* First General Issues Supplement at 2-4 and Exhibits I-S1-1, I-S1-2, and I-S4; and Industry Support Supplement at 1-3. For further discussion, *see* Attachment II of the Country-Specific CVD Initiation Checklists.

²³ See Attachment II of the Country-Specific CVD Initiation Checklists.

²⁴ *Id.*; *see also* section 702(c)(4)(D) of the Act.

²⁵ See Attachment II of the Country-Specific CVD Initiation Checklists.

²⁶ *Id.*

Accordingly, Commerce determines that the Petitions were filed on behalf of the domestic industry within the meaning of section 702(b)(1) of the Act.²⁷

Injury Test

Because China and Türkiye are “Subsidies Agreement Countries” within the meaning of section 701(b) of the Act, section 701(a)(2) of the Act applies to these investigations.

Accordingly, the ITC must determine whether imports of the subject merchandise from China and/or Türkiye materially injure, or threaten material injury to, a U.S. industry.

Allegations and Evidence of Material Injury and Causation

The petitioner alleges that imports of the subject merchandise are benefiting from countervailable subsidies and that such imports are causing, or threaten to cause, material injury to the U.S. industry producing the domestic like product. In addition, the petitioner alleges that subject imports from China and Türkiye individually exceed the negligibility threshold provided for under section 771(24)(A) of the Act.²⁸

The petitioner contends that the industry’s injured condition is illustrated by the significant and increasing volume of subject imports; decreased market share; underselling and price depression and/or suppression; lost sales and revenues; decline in capacity utilization, production, and U.S. sales quantity; decline in production-related workers; and decline in operating margins.²⁹ We assessed the allegations and supporting evidence regarding material injury, threat of material injury, causation, cumulation, as well as negligibility, and we have

²⁷ *Id.*

²⁸ See Petitions at Volume I (pages I-13 and I-14 and Exhibit I-8).

²⁹ *Id.* at I-13 through I-36 and Exhibits I-7 through I-25; see also First General Issues Supplement at 7 and Exhibits I-S1-8 and I-S1-9.

determined that these allegations are properly supported by adequate evidence and meet the statutory requirements for initiation.³⁰

Initiation of CVD Investigations

Based upon our examination of the Petitions and supplemental responses, we find that they meet the requirements of section 702 of the Act. Therefore, we are initiating CVD investigations to determine whether imports of brake drums from China and Türkiye benefit from countervailable subsidies conferred by the GOC and the GOT, respectively. In accordance with section 703(b)(1) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.205(b)(1), unless postponed, we will make our preliminary determinations no later than 65 days after the date of these initiations.

China

Based on our review of the Petitions, we find that there is sufficient information to initiate a CVD investigation on 17 of the 18 programs alleged by the petitioner. For a full discussion of the basis of our initiation decision for each program, *see* the China CVD Initiation Checklist. A public version of the initiation checklist for this investigation is available on ACCESS.

Türkiye

Based on our review of the Petitions, we find that there is sufficient information to initiate a CVD investigation on 44 of the 47 of the programs alleged by the petitioner. For a full discussion of the basis of our initiation decision for each program, *see* the Türkiye CVD Initiation Checklist. A public version of the initiation checklist for this investigation is available on ACCESS.

³⁰ *See* Country-Specific CVD Initiation Checklists at Attachment III, Analysis of Allegations and Evidence of Material Injury and Causation for the Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Petitions Covering Certain Brake Drums from the People's Republic of China and the Republic of Türkiye.

Respondent Selection

In the Petitions, the petitioner identified 54 companies in China, and 19 companies in Türkiye, as producers or exporters of brake drums.³¹ Commerce intends to follow its standard practice in CVD investigations and calculate company-specific subsidy rates in these investigations.

In the event that Commerce determines that the number of companies is large and it cannot individually examine each company based on Commerce's resources, Commerce normally selects mandatory respondents in CVD investigations using U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) entry data for U.S. imports under the appropriate Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS) subheading(s) listed in the "Scope of the Investigations" in the appendix. However, for these investigations, the main HTSUS subheading under which the subject merchandise would enter (8708.30.5020) is a basket category under which non-subject merchandise may also enter. Therefore, we cannot rely on CBP entry data in selecting respondents. Notwithstanding the decision to rely on Q&V questionnaires for respondent selection, due to the number of producers and/or exporters identified in the Petitions, Commerce has determined to limit the number of Q&V questionnaires that it will issue to producers and/or exporters based on CBP data for brake drums from China and Türkiye during the POI under the appropriate HTSUS subheading listed in the "Scope of the Investigations," in the appendix. Accordingly, for China and Türkiye, Commerce will send Q&V questionnaires to the largest producers and/or exporters that are identified in the CBP entry data for which there is complete address information on the record.

³¹ See Petitions at Volume I (Exhibit I-5).

Commerce will also post the Q&V questionnaires along with filing instructions on Commerce's website at <https://www.trade.gov/ec-adcvd-case-announcements>.

Exporters/producers of brake drums from China and Türkiye that do not receive Q&V questionnaires may still submit a response to the Q&V questionnaire and can obtain a copy of the Q&V questionnaire from Commerce's website. Responses to the Q&V questionnaire must be submitted by the relevant producers/exporters no later than 5:00 p.m. on July 24, 2024, which is two weeks from the signature date of this notice. An electronically filed document must be received successfully, in its entirety, by ACCESS no later than 5:00 p.m. ET on the deadline noted above. Commerce intends to finalize its decision regarding respondent selection within 20 days of publication of this notice.

Distribution of Copies of the Petitions

In accordance with section 702(b)(4)(A) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.202(f), a copy of the public version of the Petitions has been provided to the GOC and GOT via ACCESS. To the extent practicable, we will attempt to provide a copy of the public version of the Petitions to each exporter named in the Petitions, as provided under 19 CFR 351.203(c)(2).

ITC Notification

Commerce will notify the ITC of its initiation, as required by section 702(d) of the Act.

Preliminary Determinations by the ITC

The ITC will preliminarily determine, within 45 days after the date on which the Petitions were filed, whether there is a reasonable indication that imports of brake drums from China and/or Türkiye are materially injuring, or threatening material injury to, a U.S. industry.³² A negative ITC determination for any country will result in the investigation being terminated with

³² See section 703(a)(1) of the Act.

respect to that country.³³ Otherwise, these CVD investigations will proceed according to statutory and regulatory time limits.

Submission of Factual Information

Factual information is defined in 19 CFR 351.102(b)(21) as: (i) evidence submitted in response to questionnaires; (ii) evidence submitted in support of allegations; (iii) publicly available information to value factors of production under 19 CFR 351.408(c) or to measure the adequacy of remuneration under 19 CFR 351.511(a)(2); (iv) evidence placed on the record by Commerce; and (v) evidence other than factual information described in (i)-(iv). Section 351.301(b) of Commerce's regulations requires any party, when submitting factual information, to specify under which subsection of 19 CFR 351.102(b)(21) the information is being submitted³⁴ and, if the information is submitted to rebut, clarify, or correct factual information already on the record, to provide an explanation identifying the information already on the record that the factual information seeks to rebut, clarify, or correct.³⁵ Time limits for the submission of factual information are addressed in 19 CFR 351.301, which provides specific time limits based on the type of factual information being submitted. Interested parties should review the regulations prior to submitting factual information in these investigations.

Extensions of Time Limits

Parties may request an extension of time limits before the expiration of a time limit established under 19 CFR 351.301, or as otherwise specified by Commerce. In general, an extension request will be considered untimely if it is filed after the expiration of the time limit established under 19 CFR 351.301, or as otherwise specified by Commerce.³⁶ For submissions

³³ *Id.*

³⁴ *See* 19 CFR 351.301(b).

³⁵ *See* 19 CFR 351.301(b)(2).

³⁶ *See* 19 CFR 351.302.

that are due from multiple parties simultaneously, an extension request will be considered untimely if it is filed after 10:00 a.m. ET on the due date. Under certain circumstances, Commerce may elect to specify a different time limit by which extension requests will be considered untimely for submissions which are due from multiple parties simultaneously. In such a case, we will inform parties in a letter or memorandum of the deadline (including a specified time) by which extension requests must be filed to be considered timely. An extension request must be made in a separate, standalone submission; under limited circumstances we will grant untimely filed requests for the extension of time limits, where we determine, based on 19 CFR 351.302, that extraordinary circumstances exist. Parties should review Commerce's regulations concerning the extension of time limits and the *Time Limits Final Rule* prior to submitting factual information in these investigations.³⁷

Certification Requirements

Any party submitting factual information in an AD or CVD proceeding must certify to the accuracy and completeness of that information.³⁸ Parties must use the certification formats provided in 19 CFR 351.303(g).³⁹ Commerce intends to reject factual submissions if the submitting party does not comply with the applicable certification requirements.

Notification to Interested Parties

Interested parties must submit applications for disclosure under APO in accordance with 19 CFR 351.305. Parties wishing to participate in these investigations should ensure that they meet the requirements of 19 CFR 351.103(d) (e.g., by filing the required letters of appearance).

³⁷ See 19 CFR 351.301; see also *Extension of Time Limits; Final Rule*, 78 FR 57790 (September 20, 2013) (*Time Limits Final Rule*), available at <https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2013-09-20/html/2013-22853.htm>.

³⁸ See section 782(b) of the Act.

³⁹ See *Certification of Factual Information to Import Administration During Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Proceedings*, 78 FR 42678 (July 17, 2013) (*Final Rule*); see also frequently asked questions regarding the *Final Rule*, available at https://enforcement.trade.gov/tlei/notices/factual_info_final_rule_FAQ_07172013.pdf.

Note that Commerce has amended certain of its requirements pertaining to the service of documents in 19 CFR 351.303(f).⁴⁰

This notice is issued and published pursuant to sections 702 and 777(i) of the Act, and 19 CFR 351.203(c).

Dated: July 10, 2024.

/S/ Abdelali Elouaradia

Abdelali Elouaradia,
Deputy Assistant Secretary
for Enforcement and Compliance

⁴⁰ See *Administrative Protective Order, Service, and Other Procedures in Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Proceedings*, 88 FR 67069 (September 29, 2023).

Appendix

Scope of the Investigations

The merchandise covered by these investigations is certain brake drums made of gray cast iron, whether finished or unfinished, with an actual or nominal inside diameter of 14.75 inches or more but not over 16.6 inches, weighing more than 50 pounds. Unfinished brake drums are those which have undergone some turning or machining but are not ready for installation. Subject brake drums are included within the scope whether imported individually or with non-subject merchandise (for example, a hub), whether assembled or unassembled, or if joined with non-subject merchandise. When a subject drum is imported together with non-subject merchandise, such as, but not limited to, a drum-hub assembly, only the subject drum is covered by the scope.

Subject merchandise also includes finished and unfinished brake drums that are further processed in a third country or in the United States, including, but not limited to, assembly or any other processing that would not otherwise remove the merchandise from the scope of these investigations if performed in the country of manufacture of the subject brake drums. The inclusion, attachment, joining, or assembly of non-subject merchandise with subject drums either in the country of manufacture of the subject drum or in a third country does not remove the subject drum from the scope. Specifically excluded is merchandise covered by the scope of the antidumping and countervailing duty orders on certain chassis and subassemblies thereof from the People's Republic of China. *See Certain Chassis and Subassemblies Thereof from the People's Republic of China: Antidumping Duty Order*, 86 FR 36093 (July 8, 2021) and *Certain Chassis and Subassemblies Thereof from the People's Republic of China: Countervailing Duty Order and Amended Final Affirmative Countervailing Duty Determination*, 86 FR 24844 (May 10, 2021).

The scope also excludes composite brake drums that contain more than 40 percent steel by weight.

The merchandise covered by these investigations is classifiable under Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS) subheading 8708.30.5020. The merchandise covered by these investigations may be classifiable under HTSUS subheading 8708.30.5090 when entered as part of an assembly. Subject merchandise may also enter under HTSUS subheading 8716.90.5060. Although the HTSUS subheadings are provided for convenience and customs purposes, the written description of the merchandise covered by these investigations is dispositive.

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Investigation
POI: 01/01/2023- 12/31/2023
Public Document
AD/CVD OIII: PZ

July 11, 2024

Re: Countervailing Duty Investigation of Certain Brake Drums from the Republic of Türkiye:
Quantity and Value Questionnaire

Dear Sir or Madam:

On July 10, 2024, the U.S. Department of Commerce (Commerce) initiated a countervailing duty investigation to determine whether certain brake drums (brake drums) from the Republic of Türkiye (Türkiye) imported into the United States have benefitted from countervailable subsidies.

In advance of the issuance of the countervailing duty questionnaire, Commerce asks that you respond to the questions in Attachment I to this letter, requesting information on the quantity and U.S. dollar sales value of all your sales to the United States during the period of investigation, January 1, 2023, through December 31, 2023, covered by the scope of this investigation, produced in Türkiye. The scope of the investigation is included in Attachment II to this letter, and general instructions for responding to this letter are contained in Attachment III. Please be advised that receipt of this letter does not indicate that you will be chosen as a mandatory respondent because Commerce may find it is necessary to limit individual examination of respondents and conduct respondent selection under section 777A(c)(2) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act). Your response to this letter may be subject to on-site verification by Commerce officials.

Please note that you may be receiving two similar letters: one for a countervailing duty investigation and one for an antidumping duty investigation. These letters request the same information but for different time periods. In addition, they must be filed under different case numbers in Commerce's online filing system. You must separately reply to each letter.

Your response is due to Commerce no later than **July 24, 2024**. *Please note that, due to time constraints in this investigation, Commerce will be limited in its ability to extend the deadline for the response to the attached Quantity and Value Questionnaire.* All submissions to Commerce must be accompanied by a Certificate of Accuracy from company officials and, if represented by legal counsel or other firm, a Certificate of Accuracy from the representative. Additionally, all submissions to Commerce must be served on the appropriate interested parties. A list of interested parties are regularly updated and maintained as record documents in ACCESS at <https://access.trade.gov>. Certificates of service and accuracy are in Attachment IV. General

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instructions for responding to this Quantity and Value Questionnaire are contained in Attachment III.

Note well:

Parties should be aware that **the likelihood of Commerce granting an extension will decrease the closer the extension request is filed to the applicable time limit** because Commerce must have time to consider the extension request and decide on its disposition. Parties should not assume that they will receive an extension of a time limit if they have not received a response from Commerce. For submissions that are due at 5:00 p.m., **if Commerce is not able to notify the party requesting the extension of the disposition of the request by 5:00 p.m., then the submission would be due by the opening of business (8:30 a.m.) on the next business day.** See 19 CFR 351.103(b). **If a party requests an extension because of ACCESS/technical filing difficulties to which it did not receive a response from Commerce by 5:00 p.m., and the filing difficulties persist past 8:30 a.m. on the next business day, the party should contact the case analyst.**

If a party is experiencing issues with an ACCESS filing, the party should contact the ACCESS Help Desk by telephone to troubleshoot the filing issues. When experiencing filing issues on the day a submission is due, the filing party should also contact the case analyst, otherwise the official in charge, informing them of the filing difficulties. The submission for which a party is having difficulties filing on ACCESS should not be emailed to the case analyst or the official in charge.

Help Desk
(202) 482-3150
access@trade.gov
<https://access.trade.gov>

In the unlikely event that you have received this questionnaire after the deadline to respond, you **MUST** contact Commerce official identified in the questionnaire within five days of receipt of the questionnaire to receive further instructions and a revised deadline for submission of the required information. Failure to do so may result in the presumption that you failed to cooperate by not acting to the best of your ability to comply with the request for information, and may use an inference that is adverse to your interests in selecting from the facts otherwise available, in accordance with section 776(b) of the Act.

If you fail to respond or fail to provide the requested quantity and value information, please be aware that Commerce may find that you failed to cooperate by not acting to the best of your ability to comply with the request for information, and may use an inference that is adverse to your interests in selecting from the facts otherwise available, in accordance with section 776(b) of the Act.

In general, Commerce has found that determinations concerning whether particular companies should be cross-owned (*i.e.*, treated as a single entity for purposes of calculating subsidy rates),

require a substantial amount of detailed information and analysis, which often require follow-up questions and analysis. Accordingly, Commerce will not make a cross-ownership determination at the respondent selection phase of this investigation for purposes of respondent selection; please report volume and value data separately. Data pertaining to other, possibly affiliated, companies should be reported separately by those companies.

Should you have any questions about this matter, please contact TJ Worthington at Eric.Hawkins@trade.gov.

Sincerely,

Peter Zukowski
Program Manager
AD/CVD Operations, Office III
Enforcement and Compliance

Attachments

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AD/CVD Operations, Office III

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OFFICE OF AD/CVD ENFORCEMENT
QUANTITY AND VALUE QUESTIONNAIRE

REQUESTER(S): {INSERT NAME OF COMPANY}
{COMPANY ADDRESS}
{CONTACT NAME AND TITLE}
{CONTACT TELEPHONE NUMBER}
{CONTACT FAX NUMBER}
{CONTACT E-MAIL ADDRESS}

REPRESENTATION: {INSERT NAME OF COUNSEL, LAW FIRM AND CONTACT INFO}

CASE: Certain Brake Drums from the Republic of Türkiye (Türkiye)

PERIOD OF INVESTIGATION: January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023

DATE OF INITIATION: July 10, 2024

DUE DATE FOR Q&V RESPONSE: 5:00 p.m. ET on July 24, 2024

OFFICIALS IN CHARGE:

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ATTACHMENT I

FORMAT FOR REPORTING QUANTITY AND VALUE OF SALES

In providing the information in the chart below, please provide the total quantity in units and total value (in U.S. dollars) of all your sales to the United States during the period April 1, 2023, through March 31, 2024, of merchandise covered by the scope of this investigation (*see* Attachment II), produced in the Republic of Türkiye (Türkiye).¹

Please include only sales exported by your company directly to the United States. However, if your company made sales to third-countries for which you have knowledge that the merchandise was ultimately destined for the United States, please separately identify these sales quantities and the location (*i.e.*, countries) to which you made the sales.

Please do not report aggregate data for all of the companies that you believe should be treated as an affiliated, cross-owned company, but separately report your company's quantity and value data below. Quantity and value data pertaining to other, possibly affiliated companies, that you believe should be treated together with your company as a cross-owned company should be separately reported by those companies. In other words, for every company that you are reporting exports for, please submit a separate chart with the individual quantity and value information.

Market: United States	Total Quantity (UNITS)	Terms of Sale ²	Total Value ³ (U.S. Dollars)
1. Sales of Subject Merchandise to the United States			
2. Sales to Third Countries Destined to the United States			
Total			

¹ Please use the invoice date when determining which sales to include within the period noted above. Generally, Commerce uses invoice date as the date of sale, as that is when the essential terms of sale are set. If you believe that another date besides the invoice date would provide a more accurate representation of your company's sales during the designated period, please report sales based on that date and provide a full explanation.

² To the extent possible, sales values should be reported based on the same terms (*e.g.*, FOB).

³ Values should be expressed in U.S. dollars. Indicate any exchange rates used and their respective dates and sources.

ATTACHMENT II

Scope of the Investigation

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ATTACHMENT III
GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

Instructions for Filing the Response

The following instructions apply to all documents you submit to Commerce during the course of this proceeding.

A. Due Date

1. All submissions must be made electronically using Commerce’s ACCESS website at <http://access.trade.gov> , unless an exception applies. To determine if your response qualifies for manual filing, see the section on “Manual Filing” below. All laws, regulations, and other descriptive materials that supplement your responses should be submitted on the same date as the initial response.
2. The **business proprietary** response should be submitted on the day specified on the cover page of this questionnaire. The **public version** of the response may be filed one business day after the proprietary response.
3. An electronically filed document must be received successfully in its entirety by ACCESS by 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time (ET) on the due date, unless an earlier time is specified. Where applicable, a submitter must manually file a document between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. ET on the due date, unless an earlier time is specified.

B. Format

1. You are required to state in the upper right-hand corner of your cover letter the following information in the following format:
 - a. on the first line, indicate the case number stated on the cover page to this questionnaire;
 - b. on the second line, indicate the total number of pages in the document including cover pages, appendices, and any unnumbered pages;
 - c. on the third line, indicate the specific segment of the proceeding, (*e.g.*, investigation, administrative review, scope inquiry, suspension agreement, *etc.*) and, if applicable, indicate the complete period of review (MM/DD/YY - MM/DD/YY);
 - d. on the fourth line, indicate Commerce office conducting the proceeding;

- e. on the fifth and subsequent lines, indicate whether any portion of the document contains business proprietary information and, if so, list the page numbers containing business proprietary information; and indicate the business proprietary/public status of the document and whether you agree or object to release of the submitted information under **administrative protective order** (APO) by stating one of the following:
- “Business Proprietary Document -- May Be Released Under APO,”
 - “Business Proprietary Document -- May Not Be Released Under APO,”
 - “Business Proprietary/APO Version-- May Be Released Under APO,” as applicable,
 - “Public Version,” or
 - “Public Document.”
2. Please include a “Re:” line on the cover letter of your response, or any other submissions you make during this proceeding. In the Re: line, briefly summarize the purpose of your submission, *e.g.*, “response to questionnaire,” “case brief.”
3. Prepare your response in typed form and in English (*see* 351.303(d) and (e) for these and other formatting requirements). Include an original and translated version of all pertinent portions of non-English language documents that accompany your response, including financial statements.
4. It is your responsibility to contact the official in charge if subsequent to your filing there are events that affect your response (*e.g.*, changes in your cost accounting system are relevant to antidumping proceedings, and changes as a result of an audit are relevant to both antidumping and CVD proceedings).

C. Manual Filing

**** On the date of this questionnaire, alternative arrangements for manual filing must be made. If you are unable to file your submission electronically in ACCESS such that alternative arrangements are needed, please contact an official in charge at least 72 hours before the due date. For data files larger than 50 MB, email the ACCESS Help Desk at access@trade.gov so that they may assist you in reducing the size of your file.****

1. All submissions must be filed electronically. Only under the following four circumstances will Commerce accept a hardcopy response that is manually filed:
- Documents exceeding 500 pages in length may be filed manually (in paper form) in the APO/Dockets Unit. This is referred to as a “bulky document.”
 - Data files greater than 50 MB must be filed manually on CD-ROM or DVD.
 - If the ACCESS system is unable to accept filings continuously or intermittently over the course of any period of time greater than one hour between 12:00 p.m.

and 4:30 p.m. ET or for any duration of time between 4:31 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. ET, then a person may manually file the document in the APO/Dockets Unit. Commerce will provide notice of such technical failures on the ACCESS Help Desk line at 202-482-3150 and on the Enforcement and Compliance website, which is <https://www.trade.gov/us-antidumping-and-countervailing-duties>.

- Apart from the above, if you are unable to comply with the electronic filing requirement, as provided in 19 CFR 351.103(c) of Commerce's regulations, and in accordance with section 782(c) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act), you must promptly notify the official in charge and submit a full written explanation of the reasons you are unable to file the document electronically. You must also suggest alternative forms in which to submit the information. Commerce will consider the ability of a submitter and may modify the electronic filing requirement on a case-by-case basis.
2. All manually filed documents must be accompanied by a cover sheet generated in ACCESS. For manually filed bulky documents, separator sheets must also be generated and used.
 3. If your response qualifies as a bulky document and you opt to file it manually, you must file two identical paper copies of the document. For all other authorized manual submissions, only one paper copy is required.
 4. Manual submissions must be addressed and submitted to:
Secretary of Commerce
Attention: Enforcement and Compliance, AD/CVD Operations Office V
APO/Dockets Unit, Room 18022
U.S. Department of Commerce
Fourteenth Street and Constitution Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20230

D. Certification

1. Submit the required **certification of accuracy**. Providers of information and the person(s) submitting it, if different (*e.g.*, a legal representative), must certify that they have read the submission and that the information submitted is accurate and complete. Commerce cannot accept questionnaire responses that do not contain the certification statements. Forms for such certification are included as appendices to this questionnaire. You may photocopy this form and submit a completed copy with each of your submissions.
2. Provide the required **certificate of service** (included as an appendix) with each business proprietary document and public version submitted to Commerce.

3. Signed certifications of accuracy and certificates of service should be scanned and appended to the appropriate electronic documents filed in ACCESS.

E. Business Proprietary Information and Summarization of Business Proprietary Information

1. Request business proprietary treatment for information submitted that you do not wish to be made publicly available. As a general rule, Commerce places all correspondence and submissions received in the course of an antidumping or countervailing duty proceeding in a public reading file. However, information deemed to be proprietary information will not be made available to the public. If you wish to make a request for proprietary treatment for particular information, refer to sections 351.304, 351.305, and 351.306 of Commerce's regulations. You must submit the request for proprietary treatment at the same time as the claimed business proprietary information is submitted to Commerce.
2. Utilize the "one-day lag rule" under section 351.303(c)(2) of Commerce's regulations if you wish an additional day to review the final bracketing of business proprietary information in a document and to prepare the required public version. The filing requirements under the one-day lag rule provide for a party to file only the business proprietary document within the applicable time limit (section 351.303(c)(2)(i)). By the close of business one business day after the date the business proprietary document is filed, the person must file the complete final business proprietary document (section 351.303(c)(2)(ii)). The final business proprietary document must be identical to the original document except for any bracketing corrections.
3. By the close of business one business day after the date the business proprietary document is filed (refer to the "one-day lag rule" in the preceding paragraph), submit the public version of your response (section 351.303(c)(2)(iii)). A public version must contain:
 - a. a non-proprietary (public) version of your response that is in sufficient detail to permit a reasonable understanding of the information submitted in confidence, and/or
 - b. an itemization of particular information that you believe you are unable to summarize. State the reasons why you cannot summarize each piece of information.

Note: *The summarization requirement does not apply solely to the narrative portion of your response. It applies equally to worksheets and other appendices to your response, and even to sales and cost databases submitted in antidumping proceedings. Generally, numerical data, such as that provided in sales and cost databases in antidumping proceedings, are adequately summarized only if grouped or presented in terms of indices or figures ranged within 10 percent of the actual figure. If a*

particular portion of data is voluminous, use ranged figures for at least one percent of the voluminous portion.

Responses, or portions thereof, that are not adequately summarized may be rejected from the record of this proceeding.

4. Submit the statements required regarding limited release of business proprietary information under the provisions of an APO. U.S. law permits limited disclosure to representatives of parties (e.g., legal counsel) of certain business proprietary information, including electronic business proprietary information, under an APO. (Note that data received under an APO cannot be shared with others who are not covered by the APO.) Under the provisions governing APO disclosure, you must submit either:
 - a. a statement agreeing to permit the release under APO of information submitted by you in confidence during the course of the proceeding, or
 - b. a statement itemizing those portions of the information which you believe should not be released under APO, together with arguments supporting your objections to that release.

We are required by our regulations to reject, at the time of filing, submissions of business proprietary information that do not contain one of these statements. As discussed above, you must state in the upper right-hand corner of the cover letter accompanying your questionnaire response whether you agree or object to release of the submitted information under APO (e.g., May Be Released Under APO or May Not Be Released Under APO). (See section 351.304 of Commerce’s regulations for specific instructions.⁴)

5. Place brackets (“[]”) around information for which you request business proprietary treatment. Place double brackets (“[[]]”) around information for which you request proprietary treatment and which you do not agree to release under APO.⁵
6. Provide to all parties whose representatives have been granted APO access and who are listed on Commerce’s most recent APO Service List, a complete copy of the submission--proprietary document and public version, except for that information

⁴ If you do not agree to release under APO all or part of the proprietary information, but we determine that the information should be released, you will have the opportunity to withdraw the information (see section 351.304(d) of our regulations). However, any information which you withdraw will be taken out of the official record and will not be used in our determination.

⁵ Commerce will not disclose proprietary customer names under APO during an antidumping or countervailing duty investigation until either an order is published or the investigation is suspended. To ensure that proprietary customer names are properly treated in this case, place double brackets (“[[]]”) around all proprietary customer names in your submissions to Commerce during the course of this investigation.

which you do not agree to release under APO.⁶ (APO service lists, as well as public service lists, are regularly updated and maintained as record documents in ACCESS at <https://access.trade.gov>.) If you exclude information because you do not agree to release it under APO, you must submit the complete business proprietary version, wherein information in double brackets has been excluded. This version of the response must be marked “Business Proprietary/APO Version - May Be Released Under APO” on the cover page. For parties that do not have access to information under APO, please provide a public version only.

Note: A chart summarizing AD/CVD document filing requirements can be found at <https://access.trade.gov/Resources/filing/index.html>. ACCESS filing instructions are https://access.trade.gov/help/Handbook_on_Electronic_Filing_Procedures.pdf. Detailed and supplemental information concerning APOs, including the APO Handbook, a complete set of APO regulations, and APO application forms and service lists, can be found at <https://www.trade.gov/administrative-protectiveorders>.

⁶ See *Administrative Protective Order, Service, and Other Procedures in Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Proceedings*, 88 FR 67069, 67077 (September 29, 2023).

ATTACHMENT IV

CERTIFICATIONS OF FACTUAL ACCURACY AND CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

CERTIFICATIONS OF FACTUAL ACCURACY

FOR PROCEEDINGS INITIATED ON OR AFTER AUGUST 16, 2013

§ 351.303 Filing, document identification, format, translation, service, and certification of documents.

* * * * *

(g) *Certifications.* Each submission containing factual information must include the following certification from the person identified in paragraph (g)(1) of this section and, in addition, if the person has legal counsel or another representative, the certification in paragraph (g)(2) of this section. The certifying party must maintain the original signed certification for a period of five years from the date of filing the submission to which the certification pertains. The original signed certification must be available for inspection by U.S. Department of Commerce officials. Copies of the certifications must be included in the submission filed at Commerce.

(1) For the person(s) officially responsible for presentation of the factual information:

(i) COMPANY CERTIFICATION:*

I, **(PRINTED NAME AND TITLE)**, currently employed by **(COMPANY NAME)**, certify that I prepared or otherwise supervised the preparation of the attached submission of **(IDENTIFY THE SPECIFIC SUBMISSION BY TITLE)** due on **(DATE)** OR filed on **(DATE)** pursuant to the **(INSERT ONE OF THE FOLLOWING OPTIONS IN {}: {THE (ANTIDUMPING OR COUNTERVAILING) DUTY INVESTIGATION OF (PRODUCT) FROM (COUNTRY) (CASE NUMBER)} or {THE (DATES OF PERIOD OF REVIEW) (ADMINISTRATIVE OR NEW SHIPPER) REVIEW UNDER THE (ANTIDUMPING OR COUNTERVAILING) DUTY ORDER ON (PRODUCT) FROM (COUNTRY) (CASE NUMBER)} or {THE (SUNSET REVIEW OR CHANGED CIRCUMSTANCE REVIEW OR SCOPE RULING OR CIRCUMVENTION INQUIRY) OF THE (ANTIDUMPING OR COUNTERVAILING) DUTY ORDER ON (PRODUCT) FROM (COUNTRY) (CASE NUMBER)})**. I certify that the public information and any business proprietary information of **(CERTIFIER'S COMPANY NAME)** contained in this submission is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge. I am aware that the information contained in this submission may be subject to verification or corroboration (as appropriate) by the U.S. Department of Commerce. I am also aware that U.S. law (including, but not limited to, 18 U.S.C. 1001) imposes criminal sanctions on individuals who knowingly and willfully make material false statements to the U.S. Government. In addition, I am aware that, even if this submission may be withdrawn from the record of the AD/CVD proceeding, the U.S. Department of Commerce may preserve this submission, including a business proprietary submission, for purposes of determining the accuracy of this certification. I

certify that a copy of this signed certification will be filed with this submission to the U.S. Department of Commerce.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

* For multiple person certifications, all persons should be listed in the first sentence of the certification and all persons should sign and date the certification. In addition, singular pronouns and possessive adjectives should be changed accordingly, e.g., “I” should be changed to “we” and “my knowledge” should be changed to “our knowledge.”

(ii) GOVERNMENT CERTIFICATION:**

I, **(PRINTED NAME AND TITLE)**, currently employed by the government of **(COUNTRY)**, certify that I prepared or otherwise supervised the preparation of the attached submission of **(IDENTIFY THE SPECIFIC SUBMISSION BY TITLE) due on (DATE) OR filed on (DATE)** pursuant to the **(INSERT ONE OF THE FOLLOWING OPTIONS IN {}: {THE (ANTIDUMPING OR COUNTERVAILING) DUTY INVESTIGATION OF (PRODUCT) FROM (COUNTRY) (CASE NUMBER)} or {THE (DATES OF PERIOD OF REVIEW) (ADMINISTRATIVE OR NEW SHIPPER) REVIEW UNDER THE (ANTIDUMPING OR COUNTERVAILING) DUTY ORDER ON (PRODUCT) FROM (COUNTRY) (CASE NUMBER)} or {THE (SUNSET REVIEW OR CHANGED CIRCUMSTANCE REVIEW OR SCOPE RULING OR CIRCUMVENTION INQUIRY) OF THE (ANTIDUMPING OR COUNTERVAILING) DUTY ORDER ON (PRODUCT) FROM (COUNTRY) (CASE NUMBER)})**. I certify that the public information and any business proprietary information of the government of **(COUNTRY)** contained in this submission is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge. I am aware that the information contained in this submission may be subject to verification or corroboration (as appropriate) by the U.S. Department of Commerce. In addition, I am aware that, even if this submission may be withdrawn from the record of the AD/CVD proceeding, the U.S. Department of Commerce may preserve this submission, including a business proprietary submission, for purposes of determining the accuracy of this certification. I certify that a copy of this signed certification will be filed with this submission to the U.S. Department of Commerce.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

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(2) For the legal counsel or other representative:

REPRESENTATIVE CERTIFICATION:***

I, (PRINTED NAME), with (LAW FIRM or OTHER FIRM), (INSERT ONE OF THE FOLLOWING OPTIONS IN {}: {COUNSEL TO} or {REPRESENTATIVE OF}) (COMPANY NAME, OR GOVERNMENT OF COUNTRY, OR NAME OF ANOTHER PARTY), certify that I have read the attached submission of (IDENTIFY THE SPECIFIC SUBMISSION BY TITLE) due on (DATE) OR filed on (DATE) pursuant to the (INSERT ONE OF THE FOLLOWING OPTIONS IN {}: {THE (ANTIDUMPING OR COUNTERVAILING DUTY) INVESTIGATION OF (PRODUCT) FROM (COUNTRY) (CASE NUMBER)} or {THE (DATES OF PERIOD OF REVIEW) (ADMINISTRATIVE OR NEW SHIPPER) REVIEW UNDER THE (ANTIDUMPING OR COUNTERVAILING) DUTY ORDER ON (PRODUCT) FROM (COUNTRY) (CASE NUMBER)} or {THE (SUNSET REVIEW OR CHANGED CIRCUMSTANCE REVIEW OR SCOPE RULING OR CIRCUMVENTION INQUIRY) OF THE (ANTIDUMPING OR COUNTERVAILING) DUTY ORDER ON (PRODUCT) FROM (COUNTRY) (CASE NUMBER)}). In my capacity as (INSERT ONE OF THE FOLLOWING OPTIONS IN {}: {COUNSEL} or {ADVISER, PREPARER, OR REVIEWER}) of this submission, I certify that the information contained in this submission is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge. I am aware that U.S. law (including, but not limited to, 18 U.S.C. 1001) imposes criminal sanctions on individuals who knowingly and willfully make material false statements to the U.S. Government. In addition, I am aware that, even if this submission may be withdrawn from the record of the AD/CVD proceeding, the U.S. Department of Commerce may preserve this submission, including a business proprietary submission, for purposes of determining the accuracy of this certification. I certify that a copy of this signed certification will be filed with this submission to the U.S. Department of Commerce.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, _____, hereby certify that a copy of the

(name of certifying official)

foregoing submission on behalf of _____,

(company name)

dated _____, was served by first class mail or by hand delivery (circle the method used) on the following parties:

(Business Proprietary Version)

On Behalf of

Name and address

(Public Version)

On Behalf of

Name and address

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Certain Brake Drums from the People’s Republic of China and the Republic of Türkiye:
Initiation of Less-Than-Fair-Value Investigations

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

DATES: Applicable July 10, 2024.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

The Petitions

On June 20, 2024, the U.S. Department of Commerce (Commerce) received antidumping
duty (AD) petitions concerning imports of certain brake drums (brake drums) from China and
Türkiye filed in proper form on behalf of Webb Wheel Products, Inc. (the petitioner), a U.S.
producer of brake drums.¹ The Petitions were accompanied by countervailing duty (CVD)
petitions concerning imports of brake drums from China and Türkiye.²

¹ See Petitioner’s Letter, “Petitions for the Imposition of Antidumping and Countervailing Duties,” dated June 20,
2024 (the Petitions).

² *Id.*

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Between June 24 and July 5, 2024, Commerce requested supplemental information pertaining to certain aspects of the Petitions in supplemental questionnaires.³ The petitioner responded to Commerce’s supplemental questionnaires between June 28 and July 8, 2024.⁴

In accordance with section 732(b) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act), the petitioner alleges that imports of brake drums from China and Türkiye are being, or are likely to be, sold in the United States at less than fair value (LTFV) within the meaning of section 731 of the Act, and that imports of such products are materially injuring, or threatening material injury to, the brake drums industry in the United States. Consistent with section 732(b)(1) of the Act, the Petitions were accompanied by information reasonably available to the petitioner supporting its allegations.

Commerce finds that the petitioner filed the Petitions on behalf of the domestic industry, because the petitioner is an interested party, as defined in section 771(9)(C) of the Act. Commerce also finds that the petitioner demonstrated sufficient industry support for the initiation of the requested LTFV investigations.⁵

Periods of Investigation

Because the Petitions were filed on June 20, 2024, pursuant to 19 CFR 351.204(b)(1), the period of investigation (POI) for the LTFV investigation from Türkiye is April 1, 2023, through March 31, 2024. Because China is a non-market economy (NME) country, pursuant to 19 CFR

³ See Commerce’s Letters, “Supplemental Questions,” dated June 24, 2024 (General Issues Questionnaire), Country-Specific Supplemental Questionnaires: China Supplemental and Türkiye Supplemental, dated June 24, 2024, and “Supplemental Questions,” dated July 5, 2024; see also Memoranda, “Phone Call with Counsel to the Petitioner,” dated July 2, 2024 (July 2 Memorandum).

⁴ See Petitioner’s Letters, “Supplemental Questionnaire Response, Volume I,” dated June 28, 2024 (First General Issues Supplement); Country-Specific AD Supplemental Responses, dated Jun 28, 2024; “Supplemental Questionnaire Response, Volume I,” dated July 5, 2024 (Second General Issues Supplement); “Supplemental Questionnaire Response,” dated July 5, 2024; and “Supplemental Questionnaire Response, Volume I,” dated July 8, 2024 (Third General Issues Supplement).

⁵ See section on “Determination of Industry Support for the Petitions,” *infra*.

351.204(b)(1), the POI for the LTFV investigation from China is October 1, 2023, through March 31, 2024.

Scope of the Investigations

The products covered by these investigations are brake drums from China and Türkiye. For a full description of the scope of these investigations, *see* the appendix to this notice.

Comments on the Scope of the Investigations

Between June 24 and July 2, 2024, Commerce requested information and clarification from the petitioner regarding the proposed scope to ensure that the scope language in the Petitions is an accurate reflection of the products for which the domestic industry is seeking relief.⁶ Between June 28 and July 5, 2024, the petitioner provided clarifications and revised the scope.⁷ The description of merchandise covered by these investigations, as described in the appendix to this notice, reflects these clarifications.

As discussed in the *Preamble* to Commerce’s regulations, we are setting aside a period for interested parties to raise issues regarding product coverage (*i.e.*, scope).⁸ Commerce will consider all scope comments received from interested parties and, if necessary, will consult with interested parties prior to the issuance of the preliminary determinations. If scope comments include factual information,⁹ all such factual information should be limited to public information. To facilitate preparation of its questionnaires, Commerce requests that scope comments be submitted by 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time (ET) on July 30, 2024, which is 20 calendar days from the signature date of this notice.¹⁰ Any rebuttal comments, which may include factual information,

⁶ *See* First General Issues Questionnaire; *see also* July 2 Memorandum.

⁷ *See* First General Issues Supplement at 1-2 and Exhibit I-S1-3; *see also* Second General Issues Supplement at 1-2.

⁸ *See Antidumping Duties; Countervailing Duties, Final Rule*, 62 FR 27296, 27323 (May 19, 1997) (*Preamble*); *see also* 19 CFR 351.312.

⁹ *See* 19 CFR 351.102(b)(21) (defining “factual information”).

¹⁰ *See* 19 CFR 351.303(b)(1).

and should also be limited to public information, must be filed by 5:00 p.m. ET on August 9, 2024, which is 10 calendar days from the initial comment deadline.

Commerce requests that any factual information that parties consider relevant to the scope of these investigations be submitted during that period. However, if a party subsequently finds that additional factual information pertaining to the scope of the investigations may be relevant, the party must contact Commerce and request permission to submit the additional information. All scope comments must be filed simultaneously on the records of the concurrent LTFV and CVD investigations.

Filing Requirements

All submissions to Commerce must be filed electronically via Enforcement and Compliance's Antidumping Duty and Countervailing Duty Centralized Electronic Service System (ACCESS), unless an exception applies.¹¹ An electronically filed document must be received successfully in its entirety by the time and date it is due.

Comments on Product Characteristics

Commerce is providing interested parties an opportunity to comment on the appropriate physical characteristics of brake drums to be reported in response to Commerce's AD questionnaires. This information will be used to identify the key physical characteristics of the subject merchandise in order to report the relevant factors of production (FOP) or cost of production (COP) accurately, as well as to develop appropriate product comparison criteria.

¹¹ See *Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Proceedings: Electronic Filing Procedures; Administrative Protective Order Procedures*, 76 FR 39263 (July 6, 2011); see also *Enforcement and Compliance: Change of Electronic Filing System Name*, 79 FR 69046 (November 20, 2014) for details of Commerce's electronic filing requirements, effective August 5, 2011. Information on using ACCESS can be found at <https://access.trade.gov/help.aspx> and a handbook can be found at https://access.trade.gov/help/Handbook_on_Electronic_Filing_Procedures.pdf.

Interested parties may provide any information or comments that they feel are relevant to the development of an accurate list of physical characteristics. Specifically, they may provide comments as to which characteristics are appropriate to use as: (1) general product characteristics; and (2) product comparison criteria. We note that it is not always appropriate to use all product characteristics as product comparison criteria. We base product comparison criteria on meaningful commercial differences among products. In other words, although there may be some physical product characteristics utilized by manufacturers to describe brake drums, it may be that only a select few product characteristics take into account commercially meaningful physical characteristics. In addition, interested parties may comment on the order in which the physical characteristics should be used in matching products. Generally, Commerce attempts to list the most important physical characteristics first and the least important characteristics last.

In order to consider the suggestions of interested parties in developing and issuing the AD questionnaires, all product characteristics comments must be filed by 5:00 p.m. ET on July 30, 2024, which is 20 calendar days from the signature date of this notice.¹² Any rebuttal comments must be filed by 5:00 p.m. ET on August 9, 2024, which is 10 calendar days from the initial comment deadline. All comments and submissions to Commerce must be filed electronically using ACCESS, as explained above, on the record of each of the LTFV investigations.

Determination of Industry Support for the Petitions

Section 732(b)(1) of the Act requires that a petition be filed on behalf of the domestic industry. Section 732(c)(4)(A) of the Act provides that a petition meets this requirement if the

¹² See 19 CFR 351.303(b)(1).

domestic producers or workers who support the petition account for: (i) at least 25 percent of the total production of the domestic like product; and (ii) more than 50 percent of the production of the domestic like product produced by that portion of the industry expressing support for, or opposition to, the petition. Moreover, section 732(c)(4)(D) of the Act provides that, if the petition does not establish support of domestic producers or workers accounting for more than 50 percent of the total production of the domestic like product, Commerce shall: (i) poll the industry or rely on other information in order to determine if there is support for the petition, as required by subparagraph (A); or (ii) determine industry support using a statistically valid sampling method to poll the “industry.”

Section 771(4)(A) of the Act defines the “industry” as the producers as a whole of a domestic like product. Thus, to determine whether a petition has the requisite industry support, the statute directs Commerce to look to producers and workers who produce the domestic like product. The U.S. International Trade Commission (ITC), which is responsible for determining whether “the domestic industry” has been injured, must also determine what constitutes a domestic like product in order to define the industry. While both Commerce and the ITC must apply the same statutory definition regarding the domestic like product,¹³ they do so for different purposes and pursuant to a separate and distinct authority. In addition, Commerce’s determination is subject to limitations of time and information. Although this may result in different definitions of the like product, such differences do not render the decision of either agency contrary to law.¹⁴

¹³ See section 771(10) of the Act.

¹⁴ See *USEC, Inc. v. United States*, 132 F. Supp. 2d 1, 8 (CIT 2001) (citing *Algoma Steel Corp., Ltd. v. United States*, 688 F. Supp. 639, 644 (CIT 1988), *aff’d Algoma Steel Corp., Ltd. v. United States*, 865 F.2d 240 (Fed. Cir. 1989)).

Section 771(10) of the Act defines the domestic like product as “a product which is like, or in the absence of like, most similar in characteristics and uses with, the article subject to an investigation under this title.” Thus, the reference point from which the domestic like product analysis begins is “the article subject to an investigation” (*i.e.*, the class or kind of merchandise to be investigated, which normally will be the scope as defined in the petitions).

With regard to the domestic like product, the petitioner does not offer a definition of the domestic like product distinct from the scope of the investigations.¹⁵ Based on our analysis of the information submitted on the record, we have determined that brake drums, as defined in the scope, constitute a single domestic like product, and we have analyzed industry support in terms of that domestic like product.¹⁶

In determining whether the petitioner has standing under section 732(c)(4)(A) of the Act, we considered the industry support data contained in the Petitions with reference to the domestic like product as defined in the “Scope of the Investigations,” in the appendix to this notice. To establish industry support, the petitioner provided its production of the domestic like product in 2023.¹⁷ The petitioner estimated the 2023 production of the domestic like product for the only other known producer of brake drums in the United States.¹⁸ The petitioner compared its production to the estimated total 2023 production of the domestic like product for the entire

¹⁵ See Petitions at Volume I (pages I-9 through I-13 and Exhibits I-2 through I-4 and I-7); *see also* First General Issues Supplement at 4-7 and Exhibits I-SI-5 through I-SI-7); and Third General Issues Supplement at 1-3.

¹⁶ For a discussion of the domestic like product analysis as applied to these cases and information regarding industry support, *see* Checklists, “Certain Brake Drums from the People’s Republic of China and the Republic of Türkiye,” dated concurrently with, and hereby adopted by, this notice (Country-Specific AD Initiation Checklists), at Attachment II, Analysis of Industry Support for the Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Petitions Covering Certain Brake Drums from the People’s Republic of China and the Republic of Türkiye (Attachment II). These checklists are on file electronically via ACCESS.

¹⁷ See Petitions at Volume I (pages I-2 and I-3 and Exhibit I-1); *see also* First General Issues Supplement at 2-3 and Exhibit I-SI-2.

¹⁸ See Petitions at Volume I (pages I-2 and I-3 and Exhibits I-1 and I-7); *see also* First General Issues Supplement at 2-3 and Exhibits I-SI-1 and I-SI-2.

domestic industry.¹⁹ We relied on data provided by the petitioner for purposes of measuring industry support.²⁰

Our review of the data provided in the Petitions, the First General Issues Supplement, the Third General Issues Supplement, and other information readily available to Commerce indicates that the petitioner has established industry support for the Petitions.²¹ First, the Petitions established support from domestic producers (or workers) accounting for more than 50 percent of the total production of the domestic like product and, as such, Commerce is not required to take further action in order to evaluate industry support (*e.g.*, polling).²² Second, the domestic producers (or workers) have met the statutory criteria for industry support under section 732(c)(4)(A)(i) of the Act because the domestic producers (or workers) who support the Petitions account for at least 25 percent of the total production of the domestic like product.²³ Finally, the domestic producers (or workers) have met the statutory criteria for industry support under section 732(c)(4)(A)(ii) of the Act because the domestic producers (or workers) who support the Petitions account for more than 50 percent of the production of the domestic like product produced by that portion of the industry expressing support for, or opposition to, the Petitions.²⁴ Accordingly, Commerce determines that the Petitions were filed on behalf of the domestic industry within the meaning of section 732(b)(1) of the Act.²⁵

¹⁹ See Petitions at Volume I (pages I-2 and I-3 and Exhibit I-1); *see also* First General Issues Supplement at 3 and Exhibit I-S1-2.

²⁰ See Petition at Volume I (pages I-2 and I-3 and Exhibits I-1 and I-7); *see also* First General Issues Supplement at 2-4 and Exhibits I-S1-1, I-S1-2, and I-S4; and Third General Issues Supplement at 1-3. For further discussion, *see* Attachment II of the Country-Specific AD Initiation Checklists.

²¹ See Attachment II of the Country-Specific AD Initiation Checklists.

²² *Id.*; *see also* section 732(c)(4)(D) of the Act.

²³ See Attachment II of the Country-Specific AD Initiation Checklists.

²⁴ *Id.*

²⁵ *Id.*

Allegations and Evidence of Material Injury and Causation

The petitioner alleges that the U.S. industry producing the domestic like product is being materially injured, or is threatened with material injury, by reason of the imports of the subject merchandise sold at LTFV. In addition, the petitioner argues that subject imports from China and Türkiye individually exceed the negligibility threshold provided for under section 771(24)(A) of the Act.²⁶

The petitioner contends that the industry's injured condition is illustrated by the significant and increasing volume of subject imports; decreased market share; underselling and price depression and/or suppression; lost sales and revenues; decline in capacity utilization, production, and U.S. sales quantity; decline in production-related workers; and decline in operating margins.²⁷ We assessed the allegations and supporting evidence regarding material injury, threat of material injury, causation, as well as negligibility, and we have determined that these allegations are properly supported by adequate evidence, and meet the statutory requirements for initiation.²⁸

Allegations of Sales at LTFV

The following is a description of the allegations of sales at LTFV upon which Commerce based its decision to initiate an LTFV investigation of imports of brake drums from China and Türkiye. The sources of data for the deductions and adjustments relating to U.S. price and normal value (NV) are discussed in greater detail in the Country-Specific AD Initiation Checklists.

²⁶ See Petitions at Volume I (pages I-13 and I-14 and Exhibit I-8).

²⁷ *Id.* at I-13 through I-36 and Exhibits I-7 through I-25; *see also* First General Issues Supplement at 7 and Exhibits I-S1-8 and I-S1-9.

²⁸ See Country-Specific AD Initiation Checklists at Attachment III, Analysis of Allegations and Evidence of Material Injury and Causation for the Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Petitions Covering Certain Brake Drums from the People's Republic of China and the Republic of Türkiye.

U.S. Price

For China and Türkiye, the petitioner based export price (EP) on pricing information for brake drums produced in and exported from the respective countries and sold, or offered for sale, in the United States.²⁹ For each country, the petitioner made certain adjustments to U.S. price to calculate a net ex-factory U.S. price, where applicable.³⁰

Normal Value³¹

For Türkiye, the petitioner based NV on a home market price obtained for brake drums produced in and sold, or offered for sale, in Türkiye during the applicable time period.³² The petitioner made certain adjustments to the home market price to calculate a net ex-factory home market price, where applicable.³³

Commerce considers China to be an NME country.³⁴ In accordance with section 771(18)(C)(i) of the Act, any determination that a foreign country is an NME country shall remain in effect until revoked by Commerce. Therefore, we continue to treat China as an NME country for purposes of the initiation of the China LTFV investigation. Accordingly, we base NV on FOPs valued in a surrogate market economy country in accordance with section 773(c) of the Act.

²⁹ See Country-Specific AD Initiation Checklists.

³⁰ *Id.*

³¹ In accordance with section 773(b)(2) of the Act, for the Türkiye investigation, Commerce will request information necessary to calculate the constructed value (CV) and COP to determine whether there are reasonable grounds to believe or suspect that sales of the foreign like product have been made at prices that represent less than the COP of the product.

³² See Türkiye AD Initiation Checklist.

³³ *Id.*

³⁴ See, e.g., *Certain Freight Rail Couplers and Parts Thereof from the People's Republic of China: Preliminary Affirmative Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value and Preliminary Affirmative Determination of Critical Circumstances*, 88 FR 15372 (March 13, 2023), and accompanying Preliminary Decision Memorandum at 5, unchanged in *Certain Freight Rail Couplers and Parts Thereof from the People's Republic of China: Final Affirmative Determination of Sales at Less-Than-Fair Value and Final Affirmative Determination of Critical Circumstances*, 88 FR 34485 (May 30, 2023).

The petitioner claims that Malaysia is an appropriate surrogate country for China because it is a market economy that is at a level of economic development comparable to that of China and is a significant producer of comparable merchandise.³⁵ The petitioner provided publicly available information from Malaysia to value all FOPs except labor.³⁶ Consistent with Commerce's recent practice in cases involving Malaysia as a surrogate country,³⁷ to value labor, the petitioner provided labor statistics from another surrogate country, Romania.³⁸ Based on the information provided by the petitioner, we believe it is appropriate to use Malaysia as a surrogate country for China to value all FOPs except labor and to value labor using labor statistics from Romania for initiation purposes.

Interested parties will have the opportunity to submit comments regarding surrogate country selection and, pursuant to 19 CFR 351.301(c)(3)(i), will be provided an opportunity to submit publicly available information to value FOPs within 30 days before the scheduled date of the preliminary determination.

Factors of Production

Because information regarding the volume of inputs consumed by Chinese producers/exporters was not reasonably available, the petitioner used its own product-specific consumption rates as a surrogate to value Chinese manufacturers' FOPs.³⁹ Additionally, the

³⁵ See China AD Initiation Checklist.

³⁶ *Id.*

³⁷ See, e.g., *Certain Collated Steel Staples from the People's Republic of China: Final Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review; and Final Determination of No Shipments; 2021-2022*, 88 FR 85242 (December 7, 2023), and accompanying Issues and Decision Memorandum (IDM) at Comment 2; and *Light-Walled Rectangular Pipe and Tube from the People's Republic of China: Final Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review*, 88 FR 15671 (March 14, 2023), and accompanying IDM at Comment 2.

³⁸ See China AD Initiation Checklist.

³⁹ *Id.*

petitioner calculated factory overhead, selling, general, and administrative expenses, and profit based on the experience of a Malaysian producer of comparable merchandise.⁴⁰

Fair Value Comparisons

Based on the data provided by the petitioner, there is reason to believe that imports of brake drums from China and Türkiye are being, or are likely to be, sold in the United States at LTFV. Based on comparisons of EP to NV in accordance with sections 772 and 773 of the Act, the estimated dumping margins for the countries covered by this initiation are as follows: (1) China – 160.79 percent *ad valorem* and (2) Türkiye – 149.29 percent *ad valorem*.⁴¹

Initiation of LTFV Investigations

Based upon the examination of the Petitions and supplemental questionnaire responses, we find that they meet the requirements of section 732 of the Act. Therefore, we are initiating LTFV investigations to determine whether imports of brake drums from China and Türkiye are being, or are likely to be, sold in the United States at LTFV. In accordance with section 733(b)(1)(A) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.205(b)(1), unless postponed, we will make our preliminary determinations no later than 140 days after the date of these initiations.

Respondent Selection

Türkiye

In the Petition, the petitioner named 19 companies in Türkiye as producers and/or exporters of brake drums.⁴² In the event Commerce determines that the number of companies is large, and it cannot individually examine each company based upon Commerce's resources, where appropriate, Commerce intends to select mandatory respondents based on quantity and

⁴⁰ *Id.*

⁴¹ See Country-Specific AD Initiation Checklists.

⁴² See Petitions at Volume I (page I-7 and Exhibit I-5).

value (Q&V) questionnaires issued to potential respondents. Following standard practice in AD investigations involving market economy countries, Commerce would normally select respondents based on U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) entry data for imports under the appropriate Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS) subheadings listed in the scope of the investigations. However, for these investigations, the main HTSUS subheading under which the subject merchandise would enter (8708.30.5020) is a basket category under which non-subject merchandise may also enter. Therefore, we cannot rely on CBP entry data in selecting respondents. Notwithstanding the decision to rely on Q&V questionnaires for respondent selection, due to the number of producers and/or exporters identified in the Petitions, Commerce has determined to limit the number of Q&V questionnaires that it will issue to producers and/or exporters based on CBP data for brake drums from Türkiye during the POI under the appropriate HTSUS subheading listed in the “Scope of the Investigations,” in the appendix. Accordingly, for Türkiye, Commerce will send Q&V questionnaires to the largest producers and/or exporters that are identified in the CBP entry data for which there is complete address information on the record.⁴³

Commerce will post the Q&V questionnaires along with filing instructions on Commerce’s website at <https://www.trade.gov/ec-adcvd-case-announcements>.

Exporters/producers of brake drums from Türkiye that do not receive Q&V questionnaires by mail may still submit a response to the Q&V questionnaire and can obtain a copy of the Q&V questionnaire from Commerce’s website noted above. Responses to the Q&V questionnaire must be submitted by the relevant exporters/producers no later than 5:00 p.m. ET on July 24, 2024, which is two weeks from the signature date of this notice. All Q&V responses must be

⁴³ See Memorandum, “Release of U.S. Customs and Border Protection Entry Data,” dated July 8, 2024.

filed electronically via ACCESS. An electronically filed document must be received successfully, in its entirety, by ACCESS no later than 5:00 p.m. ET on the deadline noted above.

Interested parties must submit applications for disclosure under administrative protective order (APO) in accordance with 19 CFR 351.305(b). Instructions for filings such applications may be found on Commerce's website at <https://www.trade.gov/administrative-protective-orders>.

China

In the Petitions, the petitioner named 54 companies in China as producers and/or exporters of brake drums.⁴⁴ Our standard practice for respondent selection in AD investigations involving NME countries is to select respondents based on Q&V questionnaires in cases where Commerce has determined that the number of companies is large, and it cannot individually examine each company based upon its resources. Therefore, considering the number of producers and/or exporters identified in the Petitions, Commerce will solicit Q&V information that can serve as a basis for selecting exporters for individual examination in the event that Commerce determines that the number is large and decides to limit the number of respondents individually examined pursuant to section 777A(c)(2) of the Act. Because there are 54 Chinese producers and/or exporters identified in the Petitions, Commerce has determined that it will issue Q&V questionnaires to the largest producers and/or exporters that are identified in the CBP entry data for which there is complete address information on the record.⁴⁵

Commerce will post the Q&V questionnaires along with filing instructions on Commerce's website at <https://www.trade.gov/ec-adcvd-case-announcements>.

Producers/exporters of brake drums from China that do not receive Q&V questionnaires may still submit a response to the Q&V questionnaire and can obtain a copy of the Q&V

⁴⁴ See Petitions at Volume I (page I-7 and Exhibit I-5).

⁴⁵ See Memorandum, "Release of U.S. Customs and Border Protection Entry Data," dated July 8, 2024.

questionnaire from Commerce's website noted above. Responses to the Q&V questionnaire must be submitted by the relevant Chinese producers/exporters no later than 5:00 p.m. ET on July 24, 2024, which is two weeks from the signature date of this notice. All Q&V questionnaire responses must be filed electronically via ACCESS. An electronically filed document must be received successfully, in its entirety, by ACCESS no later than 5:00 p.m. ET on the deadline noted above.

Interested parties must submit applications for disclosure under APO in accordance with 19 CFR 351.305(b). As stated above, instructions for filing such applications may be found on Commerce's website at <https://www.trade.gov/administrative-protective-orders>.

Separate Rates

In order to obtain separate rate status in an NME investigation, exporters and producers must submit a separate rate application. The specific requirements for submitting a separate rate application in an NME investigation are outlined in detail in the application itself, which is available on Commerce's website at <https://access.trade.gov/Resources/nme/nme-sep-rate.html>. The separate rate application will be due 30 days after publication of this initiation notice. Exporters and producers must file a timely separate rate application if they want to be considered for individual examination. Exporters and producers who submit a separate rate application and have been selected as mandatory respondents will be eligible for consideration for separate rate status only if they respond to all parts of Commerce's AD questionnaire as mandatory respondents. Commerce requires that companies from China submit a response both to the Q&V questionnaire and to the separate rate application by the respective deadlines to receive consideration for separate rate status. Companies not filing a timely Q&V questionnaire response will not receive separate rate consideration.

Use of Combination Rates

Commerce will calculate combination rates for certain respondents that are eligible for a separate rate in an NME investigation. The Separate Rates and Combination Rates Bulletin states:

{w}hile continuing the practice of assigning separate rates only to exporters, all separate rates that {Commerce} will now assign in its NME investigation will be specific to those producers that supplied the exporter during the period of investigation. Note, however, that one rate is calculated for the exporter and all of the producers which supplied subject merchandise to it during the period of investigation. This practice applies both to mandatory respondents receiving an individually calculated separate rate as well as the pool of non-investigated firms receiving the {weighted average} of the individually calculated rates. This practice is referred to as the application of “combination rates” because such rates apply to specific combinations of exporters and one or more producers. The cash-deposit rate assigned to an exporter will apply only to merchandise both exported by the firm in question *and* produced by a firm that supplied the exporter during the period of investigation.⁴⁶

Distribution of Copies of the Petitions

In accordance with section 732(b)(3)(A) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.202(f), copies of the public version of the Petitions have been provided to the Governments of China and Türkiye via ACCESS. To the extent practicable, we will attempt to provide a copy of the public version of the Petitions to each exporter named in the Petitions, as provided under 19 CFR 351.203(c)(2).

ITC Notification

Commerce will notify the ITC of our initiation, as required by section 732(d) of the Act.

Preliminary Determinations by the ITC

The ITC will preliminarily determine, within 45 days after the date on which the Petitions were filed, whether there is a reasonable indication that imports of brake drums from China

⁴⁶ See Enforcement and Compliance’s Policy Bulletin No. 05.1, regarding, “Separate-Rates Practice and Application of Combination Rates in Antidumping Investigation involving NME Countries,” (April 5, 2005), at 6 (emphasis added), available on Commerce’s website at <https://access.trade.gov/Resources/policy/bull05-1.pdf>.

and/or Türkiye are materially injuring, or threatening material injury to, a U.S. industry.⁴⁷ A negative ITC determination for any country will result in the investigation being terminated with respect to that country.⁴⁸ Otherwise, these LTFV investigations will proceed according to statutory and regulatory time limits.

Submission of Factual Information

Factual information is defined in 19 CFR 351.102(b)(21) as: (i) evidence submitted in response to questionnaires; (ii) evidence submitted in support of allegations; (iii) publicly available information to value factors under 19 CFR 351.408(c) or to measure the adequacy of remuneration under 19 CFR 351.511(a)(2); (iv) evidence placed on the record by Commerce; and (v) evidence other than factual information described in (i)-(iv). Section 351.301(b) of Commerce's regulations requires any party, when submitting factual information, to specify under which subsection of 19 CFR 351.102(b)(21) the information is being submitted⁴⁹ and, if the information is submitted to rebut, clarify, or correct factual information already on the record, to provide an explanation identifying the information already on the record that the factual information seeks to rebut, clarify, or correct.⁵⁰ Time limits for the submission of factual information are addressed in 19 CFR 351.301, which provides specific time limits based on the type of factual information being submitted. Interested parties should review the regulations prior to submitting factual information in this investigation.

Particular Market Situation Allegation

Section 773(e) of the Act addresses the concept of particular market situation (PMS) for purposes of CV, stating that "if a particular market situation exists such that the cost of materials

⁴⁷ See section 733(a) of the Act.

⁴⁸ *Id.*

⁴⁹ See 19 CFR 351.301(b).

⁵⁰ See 19 CFR 351.301(b)(2).

and fabrication or other processing of any kind does not accurately reflect the cost of production in the ordinary course of trade, the administering authority may use another calculation methodology under this subtitle or any other calculation methodology.” When an interested party submits a PMS allegation pursuant to section 773(e) of the Act (*i.e.*, a cost-based PMS allegation), the submission must be filed in accordance with the requirements of 19 CFR 351.416(b), and Commerce will respond to such a submission consistent with 19 CFR 351.301(c)(2)(v). If Commerce finds that a cost-based PMS exists under section 773(e) of the Act, then it will modify its dumping calculations appropriately.

Neither section 773(e) of the Act, nor 19 CFR 351.301(c)(2)(v), sets a deadline for the submission of cost-based PMS allegations and supporting factual information. However, in order to administer section 773(e) of the Act, Commerce must receive PMS allegations and supporting factual information with enough time to consider the submission. Thus, should an interested party wish to submit a cost-based PMS allegation and supporting new factual information pursuant to section 773(e) of the Act, it must do so no later than 20 days after submission of a respondent’s initial section D questionnaire response.

We note that a PMS allegation filed pursuant to sections 773(a)(1)(B)(ii)(III) or 773(a)(1)(C)(iii) of the Act (*i.e.*, a sales-based PMS allegation) must be filed within 10 days of submission of a respondent’s initial section B questionnaire response, in accordance with 19 CFR 351.301(c)(2)(i) and 19 CFR 351.404(c)(2).

Extensions of Time Limits

Parties may request an extension of time limits before the expiration of a time limit established under 19 CFR 351.301, or as otherwise specified by Commerce. In general, an extension request will be considered untimely if it is filed after the expiration of the time limit

established under 19 CFR 351.301, or as otherwise specified by Commerce.⁵¹ For submissions that are due from multiple parties simultaneously, an extension request will be considered untimely if it is filed after 10:00 a.m. ET on the due date. Under certain circumstances, Commerce may elect to specify a different time limit by which extension requests will be considered untimely for submissions which are due from multiple parties simultaneously. In such a case, we will inform parties in a letter or memorandum of the deadline (including a specified time) by which extension requests must be filed to be considered timely. An extension request must be made in a separate, standalone submission; under limited circumstances we will grant untimely filed requests for the extension of time limits, where we determine, based on 19 CFR 351.302, that extraordinary circumstances exist. Parties should review Commerce's regulations concerning the extension of time limits and the *Time Limits Final Rule* prior to submitting factual information in these investigations.⁵²

Certification Requirements

Any party submitting factual information in an AD or CVD proceeding must certify to the accuracy and completeness of that information.⁵³ Parties must use the certification formats provided in 19 CFR 351.303(g).⁵⁴ Commerce intends to reject factual submissions if the submitting party does not comply with the applicable certification requirements.

Notification to Interested Parties

Interested parties must submit applications for disclosure under APO in accordance with 19 CFR 351.305. Parties wishing to participate in this investigation should ensure that they meet

⁵¹ See 19 CFR 351.301; see also *Extension of Time Limits; Final Rule*, 78 FR 57790 (September 20, 2013) (*Time Limits Final Rule*), available at <https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2013-09-20/html/2013-22853.htm>.

⁵² See 19 CFR 351.302; see also, e.g., *Time Limits Final Rule*.

⁵³ See section 782(b) of the Act.

⁵⁴ See *Certification of Factual Information to Import Administration During Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Proceedings*, 78 FR 42678 (July 17, 2013) (*Final Rule*). Additional information regarding the *Final Rule* is available at <https://access.trade.gov/Resources/filing/index.html>.

the requirements of 19 CFR 351.103(d) (e.g., by filing the required letter of appearance). Note that Commerce has amended certain of its requirements pertaining to the service of documents in 19 CFR 351.303(f).⁵⁵

This notice is issued and published pursuant to sections 732(c)(2) and 777(i) of the Act, and 19 CFR 351.203(c).

Dated: July 10, 2024.

/S/ Abdelali Elouaradia

Abdelali Elouaradia,
Deputy Assistant Secretary
for Enforcement and Compliance

⁵⁵ See *Administrative Protective Order, Service, and Other Procedures in Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Proceedings*, 88 FR 67069 (September 29, 2023).

Appendix

Scope of the Investigations

The merchandise covered by these investigations is certain brake drums made of gray cast iron, whether finished or unfinished, with an actual or nominal inside diameter of 14.75 inches or more but not over 16.6 inches, weighing more than 50 pounds. Unfinished brake drums are those which have undergone some turning or machining but are not ready for installation. Subject brake drums are included within the scope whether imported individually or with non-subject merchandise (for example, a hub), whether assembled or unassembled, or if joined with non-subject merchandise. When a subject drum is imported together with non-subject merchandise, such as, but not limited to, a drum-hub assembly, only the subject drum is covered by the scope.

Subject merchandise also includes finished and unfinished brake drums that are further processed in a third country or in the United States, including, but not limited to, assembly or any other processing that would not otherwise remove the merchandise from the scope of these investigations if performed in the country of manufacture of the subject brake drums. The inclusion, attachment, joining, or assembly of non-subject merchandise with subject drums either in the country of manufacture of the subject drum or in a third country does not remove the subject drum from the scope. Specifically excluded is merchandise covered by the scope of the antidumping and countervailing duty orders on certain chassis and subassemblies thereof from the People's Republic of China. *See Certain Chassis and Subassemblies Thereof from the People's Republic of China: Antidumping Duty Order*, 86 FR 36093 (July 8, 2021) and *Certain Chassis and Subassemblies Thereof from the People's Republic of China: Countervailing Duty Order and Amended Final Affirmative Countervailing Duty Determination*, 86 FR 24844 (May 10, 2021).

The scope also excludes composite brake drums that contain more than 40 percent steel by weight.

The merchandise covered by these investigations is classifiable under Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS) subheading 8708.30.5020. The merchandise covered by these investigations may be classifiable under HTSUS subheading 8708.30.5090 when entered as part of an assembly. Subject merchandise may also enter under HTSUS subheading 8716.90.5060. Although the HTSUS subheadings are provided for convenience and customs purposes, the written description of the merchandise covered by these investigations is dispositive.



A-489-853
Investigation
POI: 4/01/2023- 03/31/2024
Public Document
AD/CVD OV: EH

July 11, 2024

Re: Less-Than-Fair-Value Investigation of Certain Brake Drums from the Republic of
Türkiye: Quantity and Value Questionnaire

Dear Sir or Madam:

On July 10, 2024, the U.S. Department of Commerce (Commerce) initiated an antidumping duty (AD) investigation to determine whether certain brake drums (brake drums) from the Republic of Türkiye (Türkiye), are being sold in the United States at less than fair value.

In advance of the issuance of the antidumping duty questionnaire, Commerce asks that you respond to the questions in Attachment I to this letter, requesting information on the quantity and U.S. dollar sales value of all your sales to the United States during the period April 1, 2023, through March 31, 2024, covered by the scope of this investigation, produced in Türkiye. The scope of the investigation is included in Attachment II to this letter, and general instructions for responding to this letter are contained in Attachment III. Please be advised that receipt of this letter does not indicate that you will be chosen as a mandatory respondent because Commerce may find it is necessary to limit individual examination of respondents and conduct respondent selection under section 777A(c)(2) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act). Also, please be advised that receipt of this letter does not guarantee separate rate status. Your response to this letter may be subject to on-site verification by Commerce officials.

Please note that you may be receiving two similar letters: one for a countervailing duty investigation and one for an antidumping duty investigation. These letters request the same information but for different time periods. In addition, they must be filed under different case numbers in Commerce's online filing system. You must separately reply to each letter.

Your response is due to Commerce no later than **July 24, 2024**. *Please note that, due to time constraints in this investigation, Commerce will be limited in its ability to extend the deadline for the response to the attached Quantity and Value Questionnaire.* All submissions to Commerce must be accompanied by a Certificate of Accuracy from company officials and, if represented by legal counsel or other firm, a Certificate of Accuracy from the representative. Additionally, all submissions to Commerce must be served on the appropriate interested parties. A list of interested parties are regularly updated and maintained as record documents in ACCESS at <https://access.trade.gov>. Certificates of service and accuracy are in Attachment IV. General instructions for responding to this Quantity and Value Questionnaire are contained in Attachment III.

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Note well:

Parties should be aware that **the likelihood of Commerce granting an extension will decrease the closer the extension request is filed to the applicable time limit** because Commerce must have time to consider the extension request and decide on its disposition. Parties should not assume that they will receive an extension of a time limit if they have not received a response from Commerce. For submissions that are due at 5:00 p.m., **if Commerce is not able to notify the party requesting the extension of the disposition of the request by 5:00 p.m., then the submission would be due by the opening of business (8:30 a.m.) on the next business day.** See 19 CFR 351.103(b). **If a party requests an extension because of ACCESS/technical filing difficulties to which it did not receive a response from Commerce by 5:00 p.m., and the filing difficulties persist past 8:30 a.m. on the next business day, the party should contact the case analyst.**

If a party is experiencing issues with an ACCESS filing, the party should contact the ACCESS Help Desk by telephone to troubleshoot the filing issues. When experiencing filing issues on the day a submission is due, the filing party should also contact the case analyst, otherwise the official in charge, informing them of the filing difficulties. The submission for which a party is having difficulties filing on ACCESS should not be emailed to the case analyst or the official in charge.

Help Desk
(202) 482-3150
access@trade.gov
<https://access.trade.gov>

In the unlikely event that you have received this questionnaire after the deadline to respond, you **MUST** contact Commerce official identified in the questionnaire within five days of receipt of the questionnaire to receive further instructions and a revised deadline for submission of the required information. Failure to do so may result in the presumption that you failed to cooperate by not acting to the best of your ability to comply with the request for information, and may use an inference that is adverse to your interests in selecting from the facts otherwise available, in accordance with section 776(b) of the Act.

If you fail to respond or fail to provide the requested quantity and value information, please be aware that Commerce may find that you failed to cooperate by not acting to the best of your ability to comply with the request for information, and may use an inference that is adverse to your interests in selecting from the facts otherwise available, in accordance with section 776(b) of the Act.


In general, Commerce has found that determinations concerning whether particular companies should be “collapsed” (*i.e.*, treated as a single entity for purposes of calculating AD rates), require a substantial amount of detailed information and analysis, which often require follow-up questions and analysis. Accordingly, Commerce will not conduct collapsing analyses and will

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not collapse companies at the respondent selection phase of this investigation for purposes of respondent selection; please report volume and value data separately. Data pertaining to other, possibly affiliated, companies should be reported separately by those companies.

Should you have any questions about this matter, please contact Eric Hawkins
Eric.Hawkins@trade.gov.

Sincerely,



Emily Halle
Program Manager
AD/CVD Operations, Office V
Enforcement and Compliance

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OFFICE OF AD/CVD ENFORCEMENT
QUANTITY AND VALUE QUESTIONNAIRE

REQUESTER(S): {INSERT NAME OF COMPANY}
{COMPANY ADDRESS}
{CONTACT NAME AND TITLE}
{CONTACT TELEPHONE NUMBER}
{CONTACT FAX NUMBER}
{CONTACT E-MAIL ADDRESS}

REPRESENTATION: {INSERT NAME OF COUNSEL, LAW FIRM AND CONTACT INFO}

CASE: Certain Brake Drums from the Republic of Türkiye (Türkiye)

PERIOD OF INVESTIGATION: April 1, 2023 through March 31, 2024

DATE OF INITIATION: July 10, 2024

DUE DATE FOR Q&V RESPONSE: 5:00 p.m. ET on July 24, 2024

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ATTACHMENT I

FORMAT FOR REPORTING QUANTITY AND VALUE OF SALES

In providing the information in the chart below, please provide the total quantity in units and total value (in U.S. dollars) of all your sales to the United States during the period April 1, 2023, through March 31, 2024, of merchandise covered by the scope of this investigation (*see* Attachment II), produced in the Republic of Türkiye (Türkiye).¹

Please include only sales exported by your company directly to the United States. However, if your company made sales to third-countries for which you have knowledge that the merchandise was ultimately destined for the United States, please separately identify these sales quantities and the location (*i.e.*, countries) to which you made the sales.

Even if you believe that you should be treated as a single entity along with other exporters, please do not report aggregate data for all of the companies that you believe should be treated as a single entity but separately report your company's quantity and value data below. Quantity and value data pertaining to other, possibly affiliated companies, that you believe should be treated together with your company as a single entity should be separately reported by those companies.

Market: United States	Total Quantity (UNITS)	Terms of Sale ²	Total Value ³ (U.S. Dollars)
1. Export Price ⁴			
2. Constructed Export Price ⁵			
3. Further Manufactured ⁶			
Total			

¹ Please use the invoice date when determining which sales to include within the period noted above. Generally, Commerce uses invoice date as the date of sale, as that is when the essential terms of sale are set. If you believe that another date besides the invoice date would provide a more accurate representation of your company's sales during the designated period, please report sales based on that date and provide a full explanation.

² To the extent possible, sales values should be reported based on the same terms (*e.g.*, FOB).

³ Values should be expressed in U.S. dollars. Indicate any exchange rates used and their respective dates and sources.

⁴ Generally, a U.S. sale is classified as an export price sale when the first sale to an unaffiliated person occurs before the goods are imported into the United States.

⁵ Generally, a U.S. sale is classified as a constructed export price sale when the first sale to an unaffiliated person occurs after importation. However, if the first sale to the unaffiliated person is made by a person in the United States affiliated with the foreign exporter, constructed export price applies even if the sale occurs prior to importation. Do not report the sale to the affiliated party in the United States, rather report the sale made by the affiliated party to the unaffiliated customer in the United States. If you have sales of further manufactured merchandise, please report them under Item 3, rather than under Item 2.

⁶ "Further manufactured" refers to merchandise that undergoes further manufacture or assembly in the United States before sold to the first unaffiliated customer.

ATTACHMENT II

Scope of the Investigation

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ATTACHMENT III

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

Instructions for Filing the Response

The following instructions apply to all documents you submit to Commerce during the course of this proceeding.

A. Due Date

1. All submissions must be made electronically using Commerce's ACCESS website at <http://access.trade.gov>, unless an exception applies. To determine if your response qualifies for manual filing, see the section on "Manual Filing" below. All laws, regulations, and other descriptive materials that supplement your responses should be submitted on the same date as the initial response.
2. The **business proprietary** response should be submitted on the day specified on the cover page of this questionnaire. The **public version** of the response may be filed one business day after the proprietary response.
3. An electronically filed document must be received successfully in its entirety by ACCESS by 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time (ET) on the due date, unless an earlier time is specified. Where applicable, a submitter must manually file a document between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. ET on the due date, unless an earlier time is specified.

B. Format

1. You are required to state in the upper right-hand corner of your cover letter the following information in the following format:
 - a. on the first line, indicate the case number stated on the cover page to this questionnaire;
 - b. on the second line, indicate the total number of pages in the document including cover pages, appendices, and any unnumbered pages;
 - c. on the third line, indicate the specific segment of the proceeding, (*e.g.*, investigation, administrative review, scope inquiry, suspension agreement, *etc.*) and, if applicable, indicate the complete period of review (MM/DD/YY - MM/DD/YY);
 - d. on the fourth line, indicate Commerce office conducting the proceeding;

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- e. on the fifth and subsequent lines, indicate whether any portion of the document contains business proprietary information and, if so, list the page numbers containing business proprietary information; and indicate the business proprietary/public status of the document and whether you agree or object to release of the submitted information under **administrative protective order** (APO) by stating one of the following:
- “Business Proprietary Document -- May Be Released Under APO,”
 - “Business Proprietary Document -- May Not Be Released Under APO,”
 - “Business Proprietary/APO Version-- May Be Released Under APO,” as applicable,
 - “Public Version,” or
 - “Public Document.”
2. Please include a “Re:” line on the cover letter of your response, or any other submissions you make during this proceeding. In the Re: line, briefly summarize the purpose of your submission, *e.g.*, “response to questionnaire,” “case brief.”
3. Prepare your response in typed form and in English (*see* 351.303(d) and (e) for these and other formatting requirements). Include an original and translated version of all pertinent portions of non-English language documents that accompany your response, including financial statements.
4. It is your responsibility to contact the official in charge if subsequent to your filing there are events that affect your response (*e.g.*, changes in your cost accounting system are relevant to antidumping proceedings, and changes as a result of an audit are relevant to both antidumping and CVD proceedings).

C. Manual Filing

**** On the date of this questionnaire, alternative arrangements for manual filing must be made. If you are unable to file your submission electronically in ACCESS such that alternative arrangements are needed, please contact an official in charge at least 72 hours before the due date. For data files larger than 50 MB, email the ACCESS Help Desk at access@trade.gov so that they may assist you in reducing the size of your file.****

1. All submissions must be filed electronically. Only under the following four circumstances will Commerce accept a hardcopy response that is manually filed:
- Documents exceeding 500 pages in length may be filed manually (in paper form) in the APO/Dockets Unit. This is referred to as a “bulky document.”
 - Data files greater than 50 MB must be filed manually on CD-ROM or DVD.
 - If the ACCESS system is unable to accept filings continuously or intermittently over the course of any period of time greater than one hour between 12:00 p.m.

and 4:30 p.m. ET or for any duration of time between 4:31 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. ET, then a person may manually file the document in the APO/Dockets Unit. Commerce will provide notice of such technical failures on the ACCESS Help Desk line at 202-482-3150 and on the Enforcement and Compliance website, which is <https://www.trade.gov/us-antidumping-and-countervailing-duties>.

- Apart from the above, if you are unable to comply with the electronic filing requirement, as provided in 19 CFR 351.103(c) of Commerce's regulations, and in accordance with section 782(c) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act), you must promptly notify the official in charge and submit a full written explanation of the reasons you are unable to file the document electronically. You must also suggest alternative forms in which to submit the information. Commerce will consider the ability of a submitter and may modify the electronic filing requirement on a case-by-case basis.
2. All manually filed documents must be accompanied by a cover sheet generated in ACCESS. For manually filed bulky documents, separator sheets must also be generated and used.
 3. If your response qualifies as a bulky document and you opt to file it manually, you must file two identical paper copies of the document. For all other authorized manual submissions, only one paper copy is required.
 4. Manual submissions must be addressed and submitted to:
Secretary of Commerce
Attention: Enforcement and Compliance, AD/CVD Operations Office V
APO/Dockets Unit, Room 18022
U.S. Department of Commerce
Fourteenth Street and Constitution Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20230

D. Certification

1. Submit the required **certification of accuracy**. Providers of information and the person(s) submitting it, if different (*e.g.*, a legal representative), must certify that they have read the submission and that the information submitted is accurate and complete. Commerce cannot accept questionnaire responses that do not contain the certification statements. Forms for such certification are included as appendices to this questionnaire. You may photocopy this form and submit a completed copy with each of your submissions.
2. Provide the required **certificate of service** (included as an appendix) with each business proprietary document and public version submitted to Commerce.

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3. Signed certifications of accuracy and certificates of service should be scanned and appended to the appropriate electronic documents filed in ACCESS.

E. Business Proprietary Information and Summarization of Business Proprietary Information

1. Request business proprietary treatment for information submitted that you do not wish to be made publicly available. As a general rule, Commerce places all correspondence and submissions received in the course of an antidumping or countervailing duty proceeding in a public reading file. However, information deemed to be proprietary information will not be made available to the public. If you wish to make a request for proprietary treatment for particular information, refer to sections 351.304, 351.305, and 351.306 of Commerce's regulations. You must submit the request for proprietary treatment at the same time as the claimed business proprietary information is submitted to Commerce.
2. Utilize the "one-day lag rule" under section 351.303(c)(2) of Commerce's regulations if you wish an additional day to review the final bracketing of business proprietary information in a document and to prepare the required public version. The filing requirements under the one-day lag rule provide for a party to file only the business proprietary document within the applicable time limit (section 351.303(c)(2)(i)). By the close of business one business day after the date the business proprietary document is filed, the person must file the complete final business proprietary document (section 351.303(c)(2)(ii)). The final business proprietary document must be identical to the original document except for any bracketing corrections.
3. By the close of business one business day after the date the business proprietary document is filed (refer to the "one-day lag rule" in the preceding paragraph), submit the public version of your response (section 351.303(c)(2)(iii)). A public version must contain:
 - a. a non-proprietary (public) version of your response that is in sufficient detail to permit a reasonable understanding of the information submitted in confidence, and/or
 - b. an itemization of particular information that you believe you are unable to summarize. State the reasons why you cannot summarize each piece of information.

Note: *The summarization requirement does not apply solely to the narrative portion of your response. It applies equally to worksheets and other appendices to your response, and even to sales and cost databases submitted in antidumping proceedings. Generally, numerical data, such as that provided in sales and cost databases in antidumping proceedings, are adequately summarized only if grouped or presented in terms of indices or figures ranged within 10 percent of the actual figure. If a*

particular portion of data is voluminous, use ranged figures for at least one percent of the voluminous portion.

Responses, or portions thereof, that are not adequately summarized may be rejected from the record of this proceeding.

4. Submit the statements required regarding limited release of business proprietary information under the provisions of an APO. U.S. law permits limited disclosure to representatives of parties (e.g., legal counsel) of certain business proprietary information, including electronic business proprietary information, under an APO. (Note that data received under an APO cannot be shared with others who are not covered by the APO.) Under the provisions governing APO disclosure, you must submit either:
 - a. a statement agreeing to permit the release under APO of information submitted by you in confidence during the course of the proceeding, or
 - b. a statement itemizing those portions of the information which you believe should not be released under APO, together with arguments supporting your objections to that release.

We are required by our regulations to reject, at the time of filing, submissions of business proprietary information that do not contain one of these statements. As discussed above, you must state in the upper right-hand corner of the cover letter accompanying your questionnaire response whether you agree or object to release of the submitted information under APO (e.g., May Be Released Under APO or May Not Be Released Under APO). (See section 351.304 of Commerce's regulations for specific instructions.⁷)

5. Place brackets (“[]”) around information for which you request business proprietary treatment. Place double brackets (“[[]]”) around information for which you request proprietary treatment and which you do not agree to release under APO.⁸
6. Provide to all parties whose representatives have been granted APO access and who are listed on Commerce's most recent APO Service List, a complete copy of the submission--proprietary document and public version, except for that information

⁷ If you do not agree to release under APO all or part of the proprietary information, but we determine that the information should be released, you will have the opportunity to withdraw the information (see section 351.304(d) of our regulations). However, any information which you withdraw will be taken out of the official record and will not be used in our determination.

⁸ Commerce will not disclose proprietary customer names under APO during an antidumping or countervailing duty investigation until either an order is published or the investigation is suspended. To ensure that proprietary customer names are properly treated in this case, place double brackets (“[[]]”) around all proprietary customer names in your submissions to Commerce during the course of this investigation.

which you do not agree to release under APO.⁹ (APO service lists, as well as public service lists, are regularly updated and maintained as record documents in ACCESS at <https://access.trade.gov>.) If you exclude information because you do not agree to release it under APO, you must submit the complete business proprietary version, wherein information in double brackets has been excluded. This version of the response must be marked “Business Proprietary/APO Version - May Be Released Under APO” on the cover page. For parties that do not have access to information under APO, please provide a public version only.

Note: A chart summarizing AD/CVD document filing requirements can be found at <https://access.trade.gov/Resources/filing/index.html>. ACCESS filing instructions are https://access.trade.gov/help/Handbook_on_Electronic_Filing_Procedures.pdf. Detailed and supplemental information concerning APOs, including the APO Handbook, a complete set of APO regulations, and APO application forms and service lists, can be found at <https://www.trade.gov/administrative-protectiveorders>.

⁹ See *Administrative Protective Order, Service, and Other Procedures in Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Proceedings*, 88 FR 67069, 67077 (September 29, 2023).

ATTACHMENT IV

CERTIFICATIONS OF FACTUAL ACCURACY AND CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

CERTIFICATIONS OF FACTUAL ACCURACY

FOR PROCEEDINGS INITIATED ON OR AFTER AUGUST 16, 2013

§ 351.303 Filing, document identification, format, translation, service, and certification of documents.

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(g) *Certifications.* Each submission containing factual information must include the following certification from the person identified in paragraph (g)(1) of this section and, in addition, if the person has legal counsel or another representative, the certification in paragraph (g)(2) of this section. The certifying party must maintain the original signed certification for a period of five years from the date of filing the submission to which the certification pertains. The original signed certification must be available for inspection by U.S. Department of Commerce officials. Copies of the certifications must be included in the submission filed at Commerce.

(1) For the person(s) officially responsible for presentation of the factual information:

(i) **COMPANY CERTIFICATION:***

I, **(PRINTED NAME AND TITLE)**, currently employed by **(COMPANY NAME)**, certify that I prepared or otherwise supervised the preparation of the attached submission of **(IDENTIFY THE SPECIFIC SUBMISSION BY TITLE)** due on **(DATE)** OR filed on **(DATE)** pursuant to the **(INSERT ONE OF THE FOLLOWING OPTIONS IN {} : {THE (ANTIDUMPING OR COUNTERVAILING) DUTY INVESTIGATION OF (PRODUCT) FROM (COUNTRY) (CASE NUMBER)} or {THE (DATES OF PERIOD OF REVIEW) (ADMINISTRATIVE OR NEW SHIPPER) REVIEW UNDER THE (ANTIDUMPING OR COUNTERVAILING) DUTY ORDER ON (PRODUCT) FROM (COUNTRY) (CASE NUMBER)} or {THE (SUNSET REVIEW OR CHANGED CIRCUMSTANCE REVIEW OR SCOPE RULING OR CIRCUMVENTION INQUIRY) OF THE (ANTIDUMPING OR COUNTERVAILING) DUTY ORDER ON (PRODUCT) FROM (COUNTRY) (CASE NUMBER)})**. I certify that the public information and any business proprietary information of **(CERTIFIER'S COMPANY NAME)** contained in this submission is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge. I am aware that the information contained in this submission may be subject to verification or corroboration (as appropriate) by the U.S. Department of Commerce. I am also aware that U.S. law (including, but not limited to, 18 U.S.C. 1001) imposes criminal sanctions on individuals who knowingly and willfully make material false statements to the U.S. Government. In addition, I am aware that, even if this submission may be withdrawn from the record of the AD/CVD proceeding, the U.S. Department of Commerce may preserve this submission, including a business proprietary submission, for purposes of determining the accuracy of this certification. I

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certify that a copy of this signed certification will be filed with this submission to the U.S. Department of Commerce.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

* For multiple person certifications, all persons should be listed in the first sentence of the certification and all persons should sign and date the certification. In addition, singular pronouns and possessive adjectives should be changed accordingly, e.g., “I” should be changed to “we” and “my knowledge” should be changed to “our knowledge.”

(ii) GOVERNMENT CERTIFICATION:**

I, **(PRINTED NAME AND TITLE)**, currently employed by the government of **(COUNTRY)**, certify that I prepared or otherwise supervised the preparation of the attached submission of **(IDENTIFY THE SPECIFIC SUBMISSION BY TITLE) due on (DATE) OR filed on (DATE)** pursuant to the **(INSERT ONE OF THE FOLLOWING OPTIONS IN {}): {THE (ANTIDUMPING OR COUNTERVAILING) DUTY INVESTIGATION OF (PRODUCT) FROM (COUNTRY) (CASE NUMBER)} or {THE (DATES OF PERIOD OF REVIEW) (ADMINISTRATIVE OR NEW SHIPPER) REVIEW UNDER THE (ANTIDUMPING OR COUNTERVAILING) DUTY ORDER ON (PRODUCT) FROM (COUNTRY) (CASE NUMBER)} or {THE (SUNSET REVIEW OR CHANGED CIRCUMSTANCE REVIEW OR SCOPE RULING OR CIRCUMVENTION INQUIRY) OF THE (ANTIDUMPING OR COUNTERVAILING) DUTY ORDER ON (PRODUCT) FROM (COUNTRY) (CASE NUMBER)}**). I certify that the public information and any business proprietary information of the government of **(COUNTRY)** contained in this submission is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge. I am aware that the information contained in this submission may be subject to verification or corroboration (as appropriate) by the U.S. Department of Commerce. In addition, I am aware that, even if this submission may be withdrawn from the record of the AD/CVD proceeding, the U.S. Department of Commerce may preserve this submission, including a business proprietary submission, for purposes of determining the accuracy of this certification. I certify that a copy of this signed certification will be filed with this submission to the U.S. Department of Commerce.

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(2) For the legal counsel or other representative:

REPRESENTATIVE CERTIFICATION:***

I, (PRINTED NAME), with (LAW FIRM or OTHER FIRM), (INSERT ONE OF THE FOLLOWING OPTIONS IN {}: {COUNSEL TO} or {REPRESENTATIVE OF}) (COMPANY NAME, OR GOVERNMENT OF COUNTRY, OR NAME OF ANOTHER PARTY), certify that I have read the attached submission of (IDENTIFY THE SPECIFIC SUBMISSION BY TITLE) due on (DATE) OR filed on (DATE) pursuant to the (INSERT ONE OF THE FOLLOWING OPTIONS IN {}: {THE (ANTIDUMPING OR COUNTERVAILING DUTY) INVESTIGATION OF (PRODUCT) FROM (COUNTRY) (CASE NUMBER)} or {THE (DATES OF PERIOD OF REVIEW) (ADMINISTRATIVE OR NEW SHIPPER) REVIEW UNDER THE (ANTIDUMPING OR COUNTERVAILING) DUTY ORDER ON (PRODUCT) FROM (COUNTRY) (CASE NUMBER)} or {THE (SUNSET REVIEW OR CHANGED CIRCUMSTANCE REVIEW OR SCOPE RULING OR CIRCUMVENTION INQUIRY) OF THE (ANTIDUMPING OR COUNTERVAILING) DUTY ORDER ON (PRODUCT) FROM (COUNTRY) (CASE NUMBER)}). In my capacity as (INSERT ONE OF THE FOLLOWING OPTIONS IN {}: {COUNSEL} or {ADVISER, PREPARER, OR REVIEWER}) of this submission, I certify that the information contained in this submission is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge. I am aware that U.S. law (including, but not limited to, 18 U.S.C. 1001) imposes criminal sanctions on individuals who knowingly and willfully make material false statements to the U.S. Government. In addition, I am aware that, even if this submission may be withdrawn from the record of the AD/CVD proceeding, the U.S. Department of Commerce may preserve this submission, including a business proprietary submission, for purposes of determining the accuracy of this certification. I certify that a copy of this signed certification will be filed with this submission to the U.S. Department of Commerce.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, _____, hereby certify that a copy of the

(name of certifying official)

foregoing submission on behalf of _____,

(company name)

dated _____, was served by first class mail or by hand delivery (circle the method used) on the following parties:

(Business Proprietary Version)

On Behalf of

Name and address

(Public Version)

On Behalf of

Name and address

(Signature of Certifying Official)

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