



FACT SHEET

Commerce Finds Dumping of Imports of Prestressed Concrete Steel Rail Tie Wire from the People's Republic of China and Mexico, and No Dumping of Prestressed Concrete Steel Rail Tie Wire from Thailand

- On April 29, 2014, the Department of Commerce (Commerce) announced its affirmative final determinations in the antidumping duty (AD) investigations of imports of prestressed concrete steel rail tie wire (PC tie wire) from the People's Republic of China (China) and Mexico, and its negative final determination in the AD investigation of PC tie wire from Thailand.
- The AD law provides U.S. businesses and workers with a transparent and internationally approved mechanism to seek relief from the market distorting effects caused by injurious dumping of imports into the United States, establishing an opportunity to compete on a level playing field.
- For the purpose of AD investigations, dumping occurs when a foreign company sells a product in the United States at less than its fair value.
- In the China investigation, mandatory respondent Silvery Dragon Group Technology and Trading Co., Ltd. Tianjin received a final dumping margin of 31.40 percent on exports of subject merchandise produced by Silvery Dragon Prestressed Materials Co., Ltd. Tianjin. The China-wide entity, inclusive of Wuxi Jinyang Metal Products Co., Ltd. and Shanxi New-Mile International Trade Co., Ltd., received a final dumping margin of 35.31 percent.
- In the Mexico investigation, mandatory respondent Aceros Camesa S.A. de C.V. received a final dumping margin of 9.99 percent. All other producers/exporters in Mexico also received a final dumping margin of 9.99 percent.
- In the Thailand investigation, mandatory respondent The Siam Industrial Wire Co., Ltd. received a final dumping margin of 0.00 percent. Because this company was the sole mandatory respondent, this investigation will be terminated and cash deposits will not be collected.
- As a result of the final affirmative determinations for China and Mexico, Commerce will instruct U.S. Customs and Border Protection to collect cash deposits equal to the applicable final weighted-average dumping margins.
- The petitioners for these investigations are Insteel Wire Products Company (NC) and Davis Wire Corporation (WA).
- The product covered by the scope of these investigations is high carbon steel wire; stress relieved or low relaxation; indented or otherwise deformed; meeting at a minimum the physical, mechanical, and chemical requirements of the American Society for Testing Materials (ASTM) A881/A881M specification; regardless of shape, size, or other alloy element levels; suitable for use as prestressed tendons in concrete railroad ties. High carbon steel is defined as steel that contains 0.6 percent or more of carbon by weight. Prestressed concrete steel rail tie wire is primarily used in concrete rail ties for commuter and high speed rail lines.

- PC tie wire is classified under the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS) subheading 7217.10.8045, but may also be classified under subheadings 7217.10.7000, 7217.10.8025, 7217.10.8030, 7217.10.8090, 7217.10.9000, 7229.90.1000, 7229.90.5016, 7229.90.5031, 7229.90.5051, 7229.90.9000, and 7312.10.3012. Although the HTSUS subheadings are provided for convenience and customs purposes, the written description of the scope of the investigations is dispositive.
- In 2013, imports of PC tie wire from China, Mexico, and Thailand were valued at an estimated \$31.1 million, \$21.3 million, and \$3.7, respectively.

NEXT STEPS

- The ITC is scheduled to make its final injury determinations on June 12, 2014.
- If the ITC makes affirmative final determinations that imports of PC tie wire from China and/or Mexico materially injure, or threaten material injury to, the domestic industry, Commerce will issue AD orders. If the ITC makes negative determinations of injury, the investigations will be terminated.

FINAL DUMPING MARGINS:

COUNTRY	EXPORTER	PRODUCER	DUMPING MARGINS
China	Silvery Dragon Group Technology and Trading Co., Ltd. Tianjin	Silvery Dragon Prestressed Materials Co., Ltd. Tianjin	31.40%
	China-Wide Entity		35.31%

COUNTRY	EXPORTER/PRODUCER	DUMPING MARGINS
Mexico	Aceros Camesa S.A. de C.V.	9.99%
	All Others	9.99%

COUNTRY	EXPORTER/PRODUCER	DUMPING MARGINS
Thailand	The Siam Industrial Wire Co., Ltd.	0.00%
	All Others	Not Applicable

CASE CALENDAR:

EVENT	DATE
Petitions Filed	April 23, 2013
DOC Initiation Date	May 13, 2013
ITC Preliminary Determinations	June 7, 2013
DOC Preliminary Determinations	December 5, 2013
DOC Final Determinations	April 28, 2014
ITC Final Determinations	June 12, 2014
Issuance of Orders**	June 19, 2014

**This will take place only in the event of final affirmative determinations by Commerce and the ITC.

IMPORT STATISTICS:

CHINA	2011	2012	2013
Volume (metric tons)	22,100	29,600	22,800
Value (USD)	30,380,000	38,202,000	31,128,000
MEXICO	2011	2012	2013
Volume (metric tons)	12,900	15,800	15,900
Value (USD)	17,531,000	23,065,000	21,266,000
THAILAND	2011	2012	2013
Volume (metric tons)	1,400	1,700	3,400
Value (USD)	1,631,000	1,875,000	3,702,000

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, accessed through Global Trade Atlas. (HTSUS 7217.40.8045, 7217.10.7000, 7217.10.8025, 7217.10.8030, 7217.10.8090, 7217.10.9000, 7229.90.1000, 7229.90.5016, 7229.90.5031, 7229.90.5051, 7229.90.9000, and 7312.10.3012). These HTSUS subheadings are basket categories and cover a wide variety of non-subject wire products. Therefore, the import statistics above may vary significantly from actual imports of prestressed concrete steel rail tie wire.