



FACT SHEET

Commerce Preliminarily Finds Dumping of Imports of Large Diameter Welded Pipe from Canada, China, Greece, India, Korea, and Turkey

- On August 21, 2018, the Department of Commerce (Commerce) announced its affirmative preliminary determinations in the antidumping duty (AD) investigations of imports of large diameter welded pipe from Canada, China, Greece, India, Korea, and Turkey.
- The AD law provides U.S. businesses and workers with a transparent, quasi-judicial, and internationally accepted 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 an imported product in the United States at less than fair value.
- In the Canada investigation, Commerce assigned a preliminary dumping rate of 24.38 percent for mandatory respondent Evraz Inc. NA. Commerce assigned a preliminary dumping rate of 24.38 percent to all other producers and exporters of large diameter welded pipe from Canada.
- In the China investigation, Commerce assigned a preliminary dumping rate of 132.63 percent to the China-wide entity, based on adverse facts available. No companies demonstrated that they were eligible for a separate rate.
- In the Greece investigation, Commerce assigned a preliminary dumping rate of 22.51 percent for mandatory respondent Corinth Pipeworks Pipe Industry S.A. Commerce assigned a preliminary dumping rate of 22.51 percent to all other producers and exporters of large diameter welded pipe from Greece.
- In the India investigation, Commerce assigned a preliminary dumping rate of 50.55 percent for mandatory respondent Bhushan Steel, based on adverse facts available. Commerce assigned a preliminary dumping rate of 50.55 percent for mandatory respondent Welspun Trading Limited, based on adverse facts available. Commerce assigned a preliminary dumping rate of 50.55 percent to all other producers and exporters of large diameter welded pipe from India.
- In the Korea investigation, Commerce assigned a preliminary dumping rate of 14.97 percent for mandatory respondent Hyundai RB Co., Ltd.. Commerce assigned a preliminary dumping rate of 22.21 percent for mandatory respondent SeAH Steel Corporation. Commerce assigned a preliminary dumping rate of 22.21 percent for mandatory respondent Samkang M&T, Ltd., based on adverse facts available. Commerce assigned a preliminary dumping rate of 20.13 percent to all other producers and exporters of large diameter welded pipe from Korea.
- In the Turkey investigation, Commerce assigned a preliminary dumping rate of 5.29 percent for mandatory respondent Borusan Mannesmann Boru Sanayi ve Ticaret A.S. Commerce assigned a preliminary dumping rate of 3.45 percent for mandatory respondent HDM Celik Boru Sanayi ve Ticaret

A.S. Commerce assigned a preliminary dumping rate of 4.83 percent to all other producers and exporters of large diameter welded pipe from Turkey.

- As a result of the preliminary affirmative determinations, Commerce will instruct U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) to require cash deposits based on these preliminary rates.
- The petitioners are American Cast Iron Pipe Company (Birmingham, AL), Berg Steel Pipe Corp. (Panama City, FL), Berg Spiral Pipe Corp., Dura-Bond Industries (Steelton, PA), Skyline Steel (Parsippany, NJ), and Stupp Corporation (Baton Rouge, LA).
- The merchandise covered by the **Canada, China, Greece, India, Korea, and Turkey** investigations is welded carbon and alloy steel pipe (including stainless steel pipe), more than 406.4 mm (16 inches) in nominal outside diameter (large diameter welded pipe), regardless of wall thickness, length, surface finish, grade, end finish, or stenciling. Large diameter welded pipe may be used to transport oil, gas, slurry, steam, or other fluids, liquids, or gases. It may also be used for structural purposes, including, but not limited to, piling. Specifically, not included is large diameter welded pipe produced only to specifications of the American Water Works Association (AWWA) for water and sewage pipe.

Large diameter welded pipe used to transport oil, gas, or natural gas liquids is normally produced to the American Petroleum Institute (API) specification 5L. Large diameter welded pipe may also be produced to American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM) standards A500, A252, or A53, or other relevant domestic specifications, grades and/or standards. Large diameter welded pipe can be produced to comparable foreign specifications, grades and/or standards or to proprietary specifications, grades and/or standards, or can be non-graded material. All pipe meeting the physical description set forth above is covered by the scope of these investigations, whether or not produced according to a particular standard.

Subject merchandise also includes large diameter welded pipe that has been further processed in a third country, including but not limited to coating, painting, notching, beveling, cutting, punching, welding, or any other processing that would not otherwise remove the merchandise from the scope of the investigations if performed in the country of manufacture of the in-scope large diameter welded pipe.

Excluded from the scope of the **Korea** and **Turkey** investigations are any products covered by the existing antidumping duty orders on welded line pipe from Korea and Turkey, respectively. *See Welded Line Pipe from the Republic of Korea and the Republic of Turkey: Antidumping Duty Orders*, 80 FR 75056 (December 1, 2015). Also excluded from the scope of the **Korea** investigation are any products covered by the existing antidumping order on welded ASTM A-312 stainless steel pipe from Korea. *See Welded ASTM A-312 Stainless Steel Pipe from South Korea: Antidumping Duty Order*, 57 FR 62300 (December 30, 1992).

The large diameter welded pipe that is subject to these investigations is currently classifiable in Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS) under subheadings 7305.11.1030, 7305.11.1060, 7305.11.5000, 7305.12.1030, 7305.12.1060, 7305.12.5000, 7305.19.1030, 7305.19.1060, 7305.19.5000, 7305.31.4000, 7305.31.6010, 7305.31.6090, 7305.39.1000 and 7305.39.5000. While the HTSUS subheadings are provided for convenience and customs purposes, the written description of the scope of these investigations is dispositive.

- In 2017, imports of large diameter welded pipe from Canada, China, Greece, India, Korea, and Turkey were valued at an estimated \$179.9 million, \$29.2 million, \$10.7 million, \$294.7 million, \$150.9 million, and \$57.3 million, respectively.
- The Preliminary Decision Memoranda are on file electronically via Enforcement and Compliance's Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Centralized Electronic Service System (ACCESS). ACCESS is available to registered users at <https://access.trade.gov>, and to all parties in the Central Records Unit, Room B8024 of the main Department of Commerce building. Please refer to case numbers A-122-863 for Canada, A-570-077 for China, A-484-803 for Greece, A-533-881 for India, A-580-897 for Korea, and A-489-833 for Turkey.

NEXT STEPS

- Commerce is scheduled to announce its final determinations on or about November 6, 2018, for the China and India investigations.
- Commerce is scheduled to announce its final determinations on or about January 3, 2019, for the Canada, Greece, Korea, and Turkey investigations.
- If Commerce makes affirmative final determinations, and the U.S. International Trade Commission (ITC) makes affirmative final determinations that imports of large diameter welded pipe from Canada, China, Greece, India, Korea, and Turkey materially injure, or threaten material injury to, the domestic industry, Commerce will issue AD orders. If either Commerce or the ITC issue negative final determinations, no AD orders will be issued. The ITC is scheduled to make its final injury determinations approximately 45 days after Commerce issues its final determinations, if affirmative.

PRELIMINARY DUMPING RATES:

COUNTRY	EXPORTER/PRODUCER	DUMPING RATES
Canada	Evraz Inc. NA	24.38%
	All Others	24.38%

COUNTRY	EXPORTER/PRODUCER	DUMPING RATES
China	China-Wide	132.63%

COUNTRY	EXPORTER/PRODUCER	DUMPING RATES
Greece	Corinth Pipeworks Pipe Industry S.A.	22.51%
	All Others	22.51%

COUNTRY	EXPORTER/PRODUCER	DUMPING RATES	CASH DEPOSIT
India	Bhushan Steel	50.55%	16.85%
	Welspun Trading Limited	50.55%	16.85%
	All Others	50.55%	16.85%

*Rates are adjusted for export subsidies.

COUNTRY	EXPORTER/PRODUCER	DUMPING RATES
Korea	Hyundai RB Co., Ltd.	14.97%
	SeAH Steel Corporation	22.21%
	Samkang M&T Co., Ltd.	22.21%
	All Others	20.13%

COUNTRY	EXPORTER/PRODUCER	DUMPING RATES	CASH DEPOSIT
Turkey	Borusan Mannesmann Boru Sanayi ve Ticaret A.S.	5.29%	4.63%
	HDM Celik Boru Sanayi ve Ticaret A.S.	3.45%	2.45%
	All Others	4.83%	4.07%

*Rates are adjusted for export subsidies.

CASE CALENDAR:

EVENT	DATE
Petitions Filed	January 17, 2018
DOC Initiations Date	February 9, 2018
ITC Preliminary Determinations	March 6, 2018
DOC Preliminary Determinations	August 20, 2018
DOC Final Determinations[^]	November 5, 2018
DOC Final Determinations^{^^}	January 2, 2019
ITC Final Determination[*]	December 20, 2018
ITC Final Determination^{^^^}	February 18, 2019
Issuance of Orders ^{**}	December 27, 2018
Issuance of Orders ^{***}	February 25, 2019

NOTE: Commerce preliminary and final determination deadlines are governed by statute. For AD investigations, the deadlines are set forth in sections 733(b) and 735(a)(1) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended. These deadlines may be extended under certain circumstances.

[^]This applies to China and India.

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^{*}This will take place only in the event of affirmative final determinations from Commerce for China and India.

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†Where the deadline falls on a weekend/holiday, the appropriate date is the next business day.

IMPORT STATISTICS

CANADA	2015	2016	2017
Volume (metric tons)	306,779	61,385	158,039
Value (USD)	413,431,361	65,951,912	179,945,124
CHINA	2015	2016	2017
Volume (metric tons)	47,447	19,011	32,059
Value (USD)	37,877,396	12,952,478	29,182,870
GREECE	2015	2016	2017
Volume (metric tons)	182,657	82,375	12,568
Value (USD)	197,195,473	69,974,420	10,708,760
INDIA	2015	2016	2017
Volume (metric tons)	46,349	29,682	355,740
Value (USD)	44,863,573	25,994,228	294,738,474
KOREA	2015	2016	2017
Volume (metric tons)	227,916	174,452	184,866
Value (USD)	187,218,815	150,306,695	150,872,938
TURKEY	2015	2016	2017
Volume (metric tons)	115,629	108,546	56,690
Value (USD)	136,213,672	116,081,404	57,274,624

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, accessed through Global Trade Atlas. (HTSUS 7305.11.1030, 7305.11.1060, 7305.11.5000, 7305.12.1030, 7305.12.1060, 7305.12.5000, 7305.19.1030, 7305.19.1060, 7305.19.5000, 7305.31.4000, 7305.31.6010, 7305.31.6090, 7305.39.1000, and 7305.39.5000. Note: Currently there are AD and CVD orders on welded line pipe from Turkey and an AD order on welded line pipe from Korea. These three orders cover welded line pipe not more than 24 inches in nominal outside diameter. The above import statistics include HTSUS subheadings that may also be covered under the AD and CVD orders; therefore, the above import statistics for imports of large diameter welded pipe from Korea and Turkey may be overstated.