



FACT SHEET

Commerce Preliminarily Finds Dumping of Imports of Quartz Surface Products from India and Turkey

- On December 5, 2019, the Department of Commerce (Commerce) announced its affirmative preliminary determinations in the antidumping duty (AD) investigations of imports of quartz surface products from India 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 India investigation, Commerce assigned preliminary dumping rates of 5.05 percent and 2.62 percent to mandatory respondents Antique Marbonite Private Limited, India; Shivam Enterprises (Shivam); and Prism Johnson Limited (Prism Johnson) and Pokarna Engineered Stone Limited, respectively. Commerce assigned a preliminary dumping rate of 3.13 percent for all other Indian producers and exporters.
- In the Turkey investigation, Commerce assigned preliminary dumping rates of 4.88 percent and 0.00 percent to mandatory respondents Belenco dis Tikaret A.Ş. and Peker Yüzey Tasarımları Sanayi ve Ticaret A.Ş. and Ermaş Madencilik Turizm Sanayi Ve Ticaret Anonim Şirketi, respectively. Commerce assigned a preliminary dumping rate of 4.88 percent for all other Turkish producers and exporters.
- The petitioner is Cambria Company, LLC (Eden Prairie, MN).
- The scope of this investigations is listed in Appendix I.
- In 2018, imports of acetone from India and Turkey were valued at an estimated \$69.5 million and \$28 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 number A-533-889 for India and A-489-837 for Turkey.

NEXT STEPS

- Commerce is scheduled to announce its final determinations on or about February 19, 2020.

- If Commerce makes affirmative final determinations, and the U.S. International Trade Commission (ITC) makes affirmative final determinations that imports of quartz surface products from India and Turkey materially injure, or threaten material injury to, the domestic industry, Commerce will issue AD orders. If either Commerce or the ITC issues 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	CASH DEPOSIT RATE*
India	Antique Marbonite Private Limited, India; Shivam Enterprises (Shivam); and Prism Johnson Limited (Prism Johnson)	5.05	5.05%
	Pokarna Engineered Stone Limited	2.62	0.00%
	All Others	3.13	0.00%

*Rates adjusted for export subsidies

COUNTRY	EXPORTER/PRODUCER	DUMPING RATES	CASH DEPOSIT RATE*
Turkey	Belenco dis Tikaret A.Ş. and Peker Yüzey Tasarımları Sanayi ve Ticaret A.Ş.	4.88%	4.86%
	Ermaş Madencilik Turizm Sanayi Ve Ticaret Anonim Şirketi	0.00%	Not Applicable
	All Others	4.88%	4.86%

*Rates adjusted for export subsidies

CASE CALENDAR:

EVENT	AD INVESTIGATIONS
Petitions Filed	May 8 2019
DOC Initiation Date	May 28, 2019
ITC Preliminary Determinations	June 24, 2019
DOC Preliminary Determinations	December 4, 2019
DOC Final Determinations	February 18, 2020
ITC Final Determinations**	April 3, 2020
Issuance of Orders***	April 10, 2020

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.

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IMPORT STATISTICS:

India	2016	2017	2018
Quantity (Metric Tons)	384,201	481,383	1,037,712
Value (USD)	33,635,170	38,698,126	69,516,853

Turkey	2016	2017	2018
Quantity (Metric Tons)	182,293	182,805	325,417
Value (USD)	17,536,816	18,946,407	27,992,534

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, accessed through Global Trade Atlas (Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS) subheading 6810.99.0010)

Appendix I

- The merchandise covered by the investigations is certain quartz surface products. Quartz surface products consist of slabs and other surfaces created from a mixture of materials that includes predominately silica (*e.g.*, quartz, quartz powder, cristobalite, glass powder) as well as a resin binder (*e.g.*, an unsaturated polyester). The incorporation of other materials, including, but not limited to, pigments, cement, or other additives does not remove the merchandise from the scope of the investigations. However, the scope of the investigations only includes products where the silica content is greater than any other single material, by actual weight. Quartz surface products are typically sold as rectangular slabs with a total surface area of approximately 45 to 60 square feet and a nominal thickness of one, two, or three centimeters. However, the scope of these investigations includes surface products of all other sizes, thicknesses, and shapes. In addition to slabs, the scope of these investigations includes, but is not limited to, other surfaces such as countertops, backsplashes, vanity tops, bar tops, work tops, tabletops, flooring, wall facing, shower surrounds, fire place surrounds, mantels, and tiles. Certain quartz surface products are covered by the investigations whether polished or unpolished, cut or uncut, fabricated or not fabricated, cured or uncured, edged or not edged, finished or unfinished, thermoformed or not thermoformed, packaged or unpackaged, and regardless of the type of surface finish.

In addition, quartz surface products are covered by the investigations whether or not they are imported attached to, or in conjunction with, non-subject merchandise such as sinks, sink bowls, vanities, cabinets, and furniture. If quartz surface products are imported attached to, or in conjunction with, such non-subject merchandise, only the quartz surface product is covered by the scope.

Subject merchandise includes material matching the above description that has been finished, packaged, or otherwise fabricated in a third country, including by cutting, polishing, curing, edging, thermoforming, attaching to, or packaging with another product, or any other finishing, packaging, or fabrication that would not otherwise remove the merchandise from the scope of the investigations if performed in the country of manufacture of the quartz surface products.

The scope of the investigations does not cover quarried stone surface products, such as granite, marble, soapstone, or quartzite. Specifically excluded from the scope of the investigations are crushed glass surface products. Crushed glass surface products must meet each of the following criteria to qualify for this exclusion: (1) the crushed glass content is greater than any other single material, by actual weight; (2) there are pieces of crushed glass visible across the surface of the product; (3) at least some of the individual pieces of crushed glass that are visible across the surface are larger than 1 centimeter wide as measured at their widest cross-section (Glass Pieces); and (4) the distance between any single Glass Piece and the closest separate Glass Piece does not exceed three inches.

The products subject to the scope are currently classified in the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS) under the following subheading: 6810.99.0010. Subject merchandise may also enter under subheadings 6810.11.0010, 6810.11.0070, 6810.19.1200, 6810.19.1400, 6810.19.5000, 6810.91.0000, 6810.99.0080, 6815.99.4070, 2506.10.0010, 2506.10.0050, 2506.20.0010, 2506.20.0080, and 7016.90.1050. The HTSUS subheadings set forth above are provided for convenience and U.S. Customs purposes only. The written description of the scope is dispositive.