



FACT SHEET

Commerce Initiates Antidumping Duty Investigations of Imports of Certain Oil Country Tubular Goods from India, the Republic of Korea, the Republic of the Philippines, Saudi Arabia, Taiwan, Thailand, the Republic of Turkey, Ukraine, and the Socialist Republic of Vietnam and Countervailing Duty Investigations of Imports of Oil Country Tubular Goods from India and the Republic of Turkey

- On July 23, 2013, the Department of Commerce (Commerce) announced the initiation of antidumping duty (AD) investigations of imports of certain oil country tubular goods (OCTG) from India, the Republic of Korea (Korea), the Republic of the Philippines (Philippines), Saudi Arabia, Taiwan, Thailand, the Republic of Turkey (Turkey), Ukraine, and the Socialist Republic of Vietnam (Vietnam) and countervailing duty (CVD) investigations of imports of OCTG from India and Turkey.
- The AD and CVD 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 and unfair subsidization 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. For the purpose of CVD investigations, countervailable subsidies are financial assistance from foreign governments that benefit the production of goods from foreign companies and are limited to specific enterprises or industries, or are contingent either upon export performance or upon the use of domestic goods over imported goods.
- The petitioners for these investigations are United States Steel Corporation (Pittsburgh, PA), Maverick Tube Corporation (Houston, TX), Boomerang Tube LLC (Chesterfield, MO), Energex Tube (Chicago, IL), Northwest Pipe Company (Vancouver, WA), Tejas Tubular Products Inc. (Houston, TX), TMK IPSCO (Houston, TX), Vallourec Star, L.P. (Houston, TX), and Welded Tube USA, Inc. (Lackawanna, NY). Maverick Tube Corporation and Vallourec Star, L.P., are not petitioners for the investigation of OCTG imports from Saudi Arabia.
- The products covered by the scope of these investigations are hollow steel products of circular cross-section, including oil well casing and tubing, of iron (other than cast iron) or steel (both carbon and alloy), whether seamless or welded, regardless of end finish (*e.g.*, whether or not plain end, threaded, or threaded and coupled), whether or not conforming to American Petroleum Institute (API) or non-API specifications, whether finished (including limited service OCTG products) or unfinished (including green tubes and limited service OCTG products), whether or not thread protectors are attached. The scope of the investigations also covers OCTG coupling stock.

Excluded from the scope of the investigations are: casing or tubing containing 10.5 percent or more by weight of chromium; drill pipe; unattached couplings; and unattached thread protectors.

The merchandise subject to the investigations is currently classified in the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (“HTSUS”) under item numbers: 7304.29.10.10, 7304.29.10.20,

7304.29.10.30, 7304.29.10.40, 7304.29.10.50, 7304.29.10.60, 7304.29.10.80, 7304.29.20.10, 7304.29.20.20, 7304.29.20.30, 7304.29.20.40, 7304.29.20.50, 7304.29.20.60, 7304.29.20.80, 7304.29.31.10, 7304.29.31.20, 7304.29.31.30, 7304.29.31.40, 7304.29.31.50, 7304.29.31.60, 7304.29.31.80, 7304.29.41.10, 7304.29.41.20, 7304.29.41.30, 7304.29.41.40, 7304.29.41.50, 7304.29.41.60, 7304.29.41.80, 7304.29.50.15, 7304.29.50.30, 7304.29.50.45, 7304.29.50.60, 7304.29.50.75, 7304.29.61.15, 7304.29.61.30, 7304.29.61.45, 7304.29.61.60, 7304.29.61.75, 7305.20.20.00, 7305.20.40.00, 7305.20.60.00, 7305.20.80.00, 7306.29.10.30, 7306.29.10.90, 7306.29.20.00, 7306.29.31.00, 7306.29.41.00, 7306.29.60.10, 7306.29.60.50, 7306.29.81.10, and 7306.29.81.50.

The merchandise subject to the investigations may also enter under the following HTSUS item numbers: 7304.39.00.24, 7304.39.00.28, 7304.39.00.32, 7304.39.00.36, 7304.39.00.40, 7304.39.00.44, 7304.39.00.48, 7304.39.00.52, 7304.39.00.56, 7304.39.00.62, 7304.39.00.68, 7304.39.00.72, 7304.39.00.76, 7304.39.00.80, 7304.59.60.00, 7304.59.80.15, 7304.59.80.20, 7304.59.80.25, 7304.59.80.30, 7304.59.80.35, 7304.59.80.40, 7304.59.80.45, 7304.59.80.50, 7304.59.80.55, 7304.59.80.60, 7304.59.80.65, 7304.59.80.70, 7304.59.80.80, 7305.31.40.00, 7305.31.60.90, 7306.30.50.55, 7306.30.50.90, 7306.50.50.50, and 7306.50.50.70.

- The HTSUS subheadings above are provided for convenience and customs purposes only. The written description of the scope of the investigations is dispositive.
- In 2012, imports of OCTG from India, Korea, the Philippines, Saudi Arabia, Taiwan, Thailand, Turkey, Ukraine, and Vietnam were valued at an estimated \$216.6 million, \$831.1 million, \$59.7 million, \$99.9 million, \$89.8 million, \$40.5 million, \$135.9 million, \$129.6 million, and \$189.2 million, respectively.

NEXT STEPS

- The U.S. International Trade Commission (ITC) is scheduled to make its preliminary injury determinations on or before August 16, 2013.
- If the ITC determines that there is a reasonable indication that imports from India, Korea, the Philippines, Saudi Arabia, Taiwan, Thailand, Turkey, Ukraine, and/or Vietnam materially injure, or threaten material injury to, the domestic industry, the investigations will continue and Commerce will be scheduled to make its preliminary CVD determinations in September 2013 and its preliminary AD determinations in December 2013, unless the statutory deadlines are extended. If the ITC preliminary determinations are negative, the investigations will be terminated.

ALLEGED DUMPING MARGINS:

| COUNTRY | DUMPING MARGINS |
|---------------------|---------------------------------|
| India | 12.67 to 239.64 percent |
| Korea | 66.19 to 158.53 percent |
| Philippines | 46.04 to 56.38 percent |
| Saudi Arabia | 53.34 percent |
| Taiwan | 68.44 to 70.98 percent |
| Thailand | 118.32 percent |
| Turkey | 44.52 to 47.20 percent |
| Ukraine | 25.75 to 30.76 percent |
| Vietnam | 103.43 to 111.47 percent |

ESTIMATED SUBSIDY RATE:

| COUNTRY | SUBSIDY RATE |
|----------------|---------------------------------|
| India | <i>Above de minimis*</i> |
| Turkey | <i>Above de minimis*</i> |

* *de minimis* = less than 1% for developed countries, less than 2% for developing countries.

CASE CALENDAR:

| EVENT | AD INVESTIGATIONS | CVD INVESTIGATIONS |
|----------------------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|
| Petitions Filed | July 2, 2013 | July 2, 2013 |
| DOC Initiation Date | July 22, 2013 | July 22, 2013 |
| ITC Preliminary Determinations* | August 16, 2013 | August 16, 2013 |
| DOC Preliminary Determinations | December 9, 2013 | September 25, 2013 |
| DOC Final Determinations† | February 24, 2014 | December 9, 2013 |
| ITC Final Determinations** | April 8, 2014 | January 23, 2014 |
| Issuance of Orders*** | April 15, 2014 | January 30, 2014 |

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) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended. For CVD investigations, the deadlines are set forth in section 703 and 705 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended. These deadlines may be extended under certain circumstances.

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

*If the ITC makes negative preliminary determinations of injury, the investigations are terminated.

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

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IMPORT STATISTICS:

| INDIA | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 |
|----------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Volume (metric tons) | 94,800 | 131,100 | 138,900 |
| Value (USD) | 132,178,000 | 200,026,000 | 216,607,000 |
| KOREA | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 |
| Volume (metric tons) | 497,900 | 615,600 | 789,800 |
| Value (USD) | 489,253,000 | 686,278,000 | 831,127,000 |
| PHILIPPINES | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 |
| Volume (metric tons) | 0 | 21,700 | 63,300 |
| Value (USD) | 0 | 19,827,000 | 59,706,000 |
| SAUDI ARABIA | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 |
| Volume (metric tons) | 11,300 | 61,700 | 59,000 |
| Value (USD) | 18,410,000 | 96,280,000 | 99,922,000 |
| TAIWAN | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 |
| Volume (metric tons) | 51,300 | 87,500 | 96,700 |
| Value (USD) | 43,161,000 | 80,750,000 | 89,807,000 |
| THAILAND | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 |
| Volume (metric tons) | 0 | 5,600 | 28,900 |
| Value (USD) | 0 | 7,416,000 | 40,508,000 |
| TURKEY | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 |
| Volume (metric tons) | 77,300 | 127,700 | 137,500 |
| Value (USD) | 69,860,000 | 124,918,000 | 135,870,000 |
| UKRAINE | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 |
| Volume (metric tons) | 29,500 | 60,900 | 91,200 |
| Value (USD) | 42,057,000 | 97,363,000 | 129,598,000 |
| VIETNAM | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 |
| Volume (metric tons) | 130 | 51,400 | 199,600 |
| Value (USD) | 142,000 | 50,585,000 | 189,177,000 |

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, accessed through Global Trade Atlas. (HTSUS 7304.29.1010, 7304.29.1020, 7304.29.1030, 7304.29.1040, 7304.29.1050, 7304.29.1060, 7304.29.1080, 7304.29.2010, 7304.29.2020, 7304.29.2030, 7304.29.2040, 7304.29.2050, 7304.29.2060, 7304.29.2080, 7304.29.3110, 7304.29.3120, 7304.29.3130, 7304.29.3140, 7304.29.3150, 7304.29.3160, 7304.29.3180, 7304.29.4110, 7304.29.4120, 7304.29.4130, 7304.29.4140, 7304.29.4150, 7304.29.4160, 7304.29.4180, 7304.29.5015, 7304.29.5030, 7304.29.5045, 7304.29.5060, 7304.29.5075, 7304.29.6115, 7304.29.6130, 7304.29.6145, 7304.29.6160, 7304.29.6175, 7305.20.2000, 7305.20.4000, 7305.20.6000, 7305.20.8000, 7306.29.1030, 7306.29.1090, 7306.29.2000, 7306.29.3100, 7306.29.4100, 7306.29.6010, 7306.29.6050, 7306.29.8110, and 7306.29.8150). Some HTSUS subheadings may include basket categories and may cover both subject and non-subject merchandise. Subject merchandise may also enter under HTSUS 7304.39.0024, 7304.39.0028, 7304.39.0032, 7304.39.0036, 7304.39.0040, 7304.39.0044, 7304.39.0048, 7304.39.0052, 7304.39.0056, 7304.39.0062, 7304.39.0068, 7304.39.0072, 7304.39.0076, 7304.39.0080, 7304.59.6000, 7304.59.8015, 7304.59.8020, 7304.59.8025, 7304.59.8030, 7304.59.8035, 7304.59.8040, 7304.59.8045, 7304.59.8050, 7304.59.8055, 7304.59.8060, 7304.59.8065, 7304.59.8070, 7304.59.8080, 7305.31.4000, 7305.31.6090, 7306.30.5055, 7306.30.5090, 7306.50.5050, and 7306.50.5070, which may cover significant amounts of non-subject merchandise. Therefore these HTSUS subheadings have not been used for purposes of reporting import statistics.