

Preliminary Results of Reviews

In accordance with 19 CFR 351.221(b)(4)(I), we calculated an individual subsidy rate for each producer/exporter subject to these expedited reviews. For the period April 1, 2000, to March 31, 2001, we preliminarily determine the net subsidy to be as follows for Group 1 companies in Round 1:

Net subsidies—producer/exporter	Net subsidy rate %
Alexandre Cote Ltee	9.07
Boccam Inc	0.41
Byrnexco Inc	8.40
Davron Forest Products Ltd	10.94
Fraser Pacific Forest Products Inc	8.61
Frontier Mills Inc	8.61
Haida Forest Products Ltd	2.45
Landmark Truss & Lumber Inc	8.61
Les Bois S&P Grondin Inc	4.62
Les Industries P.F. Inc	8.03
Sechoirs de Beauce Inc	0.60
Tyee Timber Products Ltd	4.10
West Bay Forest Products and Manufacturing Ltd	5.50
West Can Rail Ltd	0.00

For the period April 1, 2000, to March 31, 2001, we preliminarily determine the net subsidy to be as follows for Group 1 companies in Round 2:

Net subsidies—producer/exporter	Net subsidy rate %
Central Cedar Ltd	4.96
Forstex Industries Inc	4.51
Hudson Mitchell & Sons Lumber Inc	4.31
Indian River Lumber	0.00
Les Scieries Jocelyn Lavoie Inc ...	0.00
Leslie Forest Products Ltd	13.72
Lyle Forest Products Ltd	3.37
Power Wood Corp.	6.73
Precision Moulding Products	1.41
Ram Co. Lumber Ltd	8.92
Rielly Industrial Lumber Inc	5.15
Sylvanex Lumber Products Inc	7.09
United Wood Frames Inc	10.69
Williamsburg Woods & Garden	11.95

If the final results of these reviews remain the same as these preliminary results, the Department intends to instruct the BCBP to collect cash deposits of estimated countervailing duties in the amounts indicated above of the f.o.b. invoice price on all shipments of the subject merchandise produced and exported by the reviewed companies, entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after the date of publication of the final results of these reviews. These rates will not apply to merchandise produced by the reviewed companies but exported by other entities.

Those producers/exporters whose final estimated net subsidy rate, based on verified information, is zero or *de minimis* will be excluded from the order. Because, in the Department's view, there is no relevant difference for purposes of the *de minimis* rule between expedited reviews of orders resulting from investigations conducted on an aggregate basis and expedited reviews of orders resulting from investigations conducted on a company-specific basis, we believe it is appropriate in these reviews to treat *de minimis* rates, one percent *ad valorem* in this case, in accordance with section 19 CFR 351.214(k)(3)(iv). Therefore, after the issuance of its final results, the Department intends to instruct BCBP to liquidate, without regard to countervailing duties, all outstanding shipments of the subject merchandise produced and exported by excluded companies.

These expedited reviews cover only those companies that we have specifically identified as qualifying for expedited reviews. The cash deposit rate for all other non-reviewed companies subject to the country-wide rate will be adjusted in the final results of the expedited reviews to account for the benefit and the sales values of the companies that have received company-specific rates. We will instruct the BCBP to collect cash deposits for all non-reviewed companies at the new cash deposit rates established in the final results of these reviews.

Public Comment

Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.224(b), the Department will disclose to parties to the proceeding any calculations performed in connection with these preliminary results within five days after the date of publication of this notice. Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.309, interested parties may submit written comments in response to these preliminary results. Parties who submit argument in this proceeding are requested to submit with the argument: (1) a statement of the issue, and (2) a brief summary of the argument. Case and rebuttal briefs must be served on interested parties in accordance with 19 CFR 351.303(f). The due dates for the case briefs will be announced at a later date.

Individuals who wish to request a hearing must submit a written request within 14 days of the publication of this notice in the **Federal Register** to the Assistant Secretary for Import Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, Room 1870, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230. The time, date, and place of

the hearing will be announced after the Department has released the dates of the briefing schedule. However, any party that wants to participate in a hearing must submit a written request within the time period specified above.

Requests for a public hearing should contain: (1) The party's name, address, and telephone number; (2) the number of participants; and, (3) to the extent practicable, an identification of the arguments to be raised at the hearing. In addition, ten copies of the business proprietary version and six copies of the non-proprietary version of the case briefs must be submitted to the Assistant Secretary.

Representatives of parties to the proceeding may request disclosure of proprietary information under administrative protective order no later than 10 days after the representative's client or employer becomes a party to the proceeding, but in no event later than the date the case briefs, under 19 CFR 351.309(c)(ii), are due. The Department will include the results of its analysis of issues raised in any case or rebuttal briefs in the final results of these expedited reviews. The Department will ensure that interested parties are informed of the briefing schedule.

In the interests of giving each respondent an informed opportunity to request rescission of their expedited review, we have amended the timeline announced in the application form to request rescission of an expedited review. Requests of rescission must be received by the Department no later than 30 days after the date of publication of the preliminary results of the relevant expedited review.

These expedited reviews and notice are issued and published in accordance with section 751(a)(1) and 777(I)(1) of the Act (19 U.S.C. 1675(a)(1) and 19 U.S.C. 1677(f)(I)).

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Acting Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

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