

Harmonized Tariff Schedule (HTS) number, using imports statistics from the Egyptian Central Agency for Public Mobilization and Statistics, National Information Center. Where a material input was purchased in a market economy currency from a market economy supplier (*i.e.*, billet, strap, clips, and tags), we valued the input at the actual purchase price in accordance with section 351.408(c)(1) of the Department's regulations. We note that, although billets were purchased from both a market-economy supplier and non-market-economy supplier, we are valuing all billets based on the price for the market-economy purchase. This methodology is consistent with section 351.408(c)(1) of the Department's regulations in that the Department will normally value the factor using the price paid to the market economy supplier, where a portion of a factor is purchased from a market economy and the remainder is purchased from an NME supplier.

For the cold-drawn products, we have adjusted the amount of billet inputs to account more accurately for combined yield loss of the producer. We have adjusted the scrap offset accordingly.<sup>3</sup>

We valued labor using the method described in 19 CFR 351.408(c)(3) of the

Department's regulations. For a complete analysis of surrogate values, see the May 5, 2003, memorandum, Factors of Production Valuation for Preliminary Results (Valuation Memorandum), on file in the CRU.

To value electricity, we used the 2001 electricity rates for Egypt reported on the website of the International Trade Administration under "Trade Information Center." See [www.web.ita.doc.gov/ticwebsite/newweb.nsf/](http://www.web.ita.doc.gov/ticwebsite/newweb.nsf/). We based the value of natural gas in Egypt on a published article that shows the price at which the Government of Egypt purchased natural gas, also used in the final results of the previous administrative review and placed on the record of this review.<sup>4</sup>

We based our calculation of factory overhead and selling, general and administrative (SG&A) expenses, as well as profit, on 1998/99 financial statements of El-Naser Steel Pipes & Fittings Co., an Egyptian producer of comparable merchandise.

To value truck freight rates, we used a 1999 rate (adjusted for inflation) provided by a trucking company located in Egypt. For rail transportation, we valued rail rates in Egypt using information used in *Titanium Sponge from the Republic of Kazakhstan: Notice*

*of Final Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review*, 64 FR 66169 (November 24, 1999), which were initially obtained from a 1999 letter from the Egyptian International House, and have been placed on the record of this review.

For brokerage and handling, we used a 1999 rate (adjusted for inflation) provided by a trucking and shipping company located in Alexandria, Egypt. For further details, see Valuation Memorandum.

### Currency Conversion

We made currency conversions in accordance with Section 773(A)(a) of the Act. For currency conversions involving the Egyptian pound, we used exchange rates published by the International Monetary Fund in *International Financial Statistics*. For all other conversions, we used daily exchange rates published by the Federal Reserve Bank.

### Preliminary Results of the Review

We preliminarily determine that the following dumping margin exists for the period August 1, 2001, through July 31, 2002.

Exporter/manufacturer	Weighted-average margin percentage
Silcotub .....	0.00

Within five days of the date of publication of this notice, in accordance with 19 CFR 351.224, the Department will disclose its calculations. Any interested party may request a hearing within 30 days of the date of publication of this notice. Any hearing, if requested, will be held approximately 42 days after the publication of this notice, or the first workday thereafter. Issues raised in hearings will be limited to those raised in the case and rebuttal briefs. Interested parties may submit case briefs within 30 days of the date of publication of this notice, or the first workday thereafter. Rebuttal briefs, which must be limited to issues raised in the case briefs, may be filed not later than 35 days after the date of publication of this notice, or the first workday thereafter. Parties who submit case briefs or rebuttal briefs in this review are requested to submit with each argument (1) a statement of the issue and (2) a brief summary of the

argument. Parties are also requested to submit such arguments, and public versions thereof, with an electronic version on a diskette.

### Assessment

Upon completion of this administrative review, the Department will determine, and the BCBP shall assess, antidumping duties on all appropriate entries. In accordance with 19 CFR 351.212(b)(1), we have calculated an exporter/importer (or customer)-specific assessment rate for merchandise subject to this review. The Department will issue appropriate assessment instructions to the BCBP within 15 days of publication of the final results of review. If these preliminary results are adopted in the final results of review, we will direct the BCBP to assess no antidumping duties on the merchandise subject to review pursuant to 19 CFR 351.106(c)(2). For the final results, if any importer-specific

assessment rate is above *de minimis*, we will instruct BCBP to assess duties accordingly. This rate will be assessed uniformly on all entries of that particular importer made during the POR.

### Cash Deposit Requirements

The following deposit requirements will be effective upon completion of the final results of this administrative review for all shipments of seamless pipe from Romania entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after the publication date, as provided for by section 751(a)(2)(c) of the Act: (1) For subject merchandise exported by Silcotub, which has a separate rate, the cash deposit rate will be zero if Silcotub's rate in the final results of review continues to be less than 0.5 percent and, therefore, *de minimis*; (2) for merchandise exported by companies not covered in this review but covered in

<sup>3</sup> See Memorandum From Martin Claessens to the File, Analysis Memorandum for Preliminary Results (May 5, 2003).

<sup>4</sup> See *Certain Small Diameter Carbon and Alloy Seamless Standard, Line and Pressure Pipe from Romania: Final Results of Antidumping Administrative Review*, 68 FR 12672 (March 17,

2003) and corresponding Issues and Decisions Memorandum at Comment 3. See also Valuation Memorandum.