

antidumping duties occurred and the subsequent assessment of doubled antidumping duties.

This notice also serves as the only reminder to parties subject to administrative protective order (APO) of their responsibility concerning the disposition of proprietary information disclosed under APO in accordance with 19 CFR 351.305(a)(3). Timely notification of return/destruction of APO materials or conversion to judicial protective order is hereby requested. Failure to comply with the regulations and the terms of an APO is a sanctionable violation.

We are issuing and publishing this determination and notice in accordance with sections 751(a)(1) and 777(i) of the Act.

Dated: September 3, 2003.

James J. Jochum,

Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

Appendix—Issues in Decision Memo

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

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Preliminary Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review: Structural Steel Beams From the Republic of Korea

AGENCY: Import Administration, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of the preliminary results of antidumping duty administrative review.

SUMMARY: In response to a request from the Committee for Fair Beam Imports, Nucor Corp., Nucor-Yamato Steel Co., TXI-Chaparral Steel Co., ("Petitioners"), INI Steel Company ("INI"), and Dongkuk Steel Mill Co., Ltd. ("DSM"), the Department of Commerce ("Department") is conducting an administrative review of the antidumping duty order on structural steel beams ("SSB") from the Republic of Korea. This review covers INI and DSM, manufacturers and exporters of the subject merchandise. The period of review ("POR") is August 1, 2001 through July 31, 2002.

We preliminarily determined that INI has sold subject merchandise at less than normal value ("NV") during the POR. However, we preliminarily determine that DSM has not sold subject merchandise at less than NV. If these preliminary results are adopted in our final results of administrative review, we will instruct the U.S. Bureau of Customs and Border Protection ("Customs") to assess antidumping duties on entries of INI's merchandise during the POR for which the importer-specific assessment rates are above *de minimis*, in accordance with the Department's regulations (19 CFR 351.106 and 351.212(b)). The preliminary results are listed below in the section titled "Preliminary Results of Review."

We invite interested parties to comment on these preliminary results. Parties who submit arguments in this segment of the proceeding are requested to submit with the argument: (1) A statement of the issue, and (2) a brief summary of the argument.

EFFECTIVE DATE: September 9, 2003.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Aishe Allen (DSM) or Michael Holton (INI), Enforcement Group III—Office 9, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230; telephone (202) 482-0172 and (202) 482-1324, respectively.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On August 18, 2000, the Department published in the **Federal Register** the antidumping duty order on structural steel beams from the Republic of Korea. *See Notice Amended Final Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value: Structural Steel Beams from South Korea*, 65 FR 50501 (August 18, 2000). On August 6, 2002, we published in the **Federal Register** a notice for antidumping or countervailing duty order, finding, or suspended

investigation; opportunity to request administrative review on structural steel beams from the Republic of Korea covering the period August 1, 2001 through July 31, 2002. *See Antidumping or Countervailing Duty Order, Finding, or Suspended Investigation; Opportunity to Request Administrative Review*, 67 FR 50856 (August 6, 2002).

On August 30, 2002, respondent DSM, a Korean producer of subject merchandise, requested a review of its sales of subject merchandise during the POR in accordance with 19 CFR 351.213(b)(1). On August 30, 2002, petitioners and INI, in separate requests, requested that the Department conduct an administrative review of INI for the period of August 1, 2001 to July 31, 2002. On September 25, 2002, the Department published a notice of initiation of this antidumping duty administrative review for the period of August 1, 2001 through July 31, 2002. *See Initiation of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Administrative Reviews, Requests for Revocation in Part and Deferral of Administrative Reviews* 67 FR 60210 (September 25, 2002).

DSM

On September 30, 2002, the Department issued a questionnaire to DSM. DSM submitted its Section A questionnaire response on November 4, 2002. On November 13, 2002, DSM submitted its Sections B and C questionnaire responses.

On November 14, 2002, Petitioners submitted comments regarding sales below cost of production for DSM and requested that DSM respond to section D of the Department's September 30, 2002 questionnaire. On November 18, 2002, the Department informed petitioners that it would need to file a sales below cost allegation for the Department to consider whether DSM sold below its cost of production during the POR. On December 6, 2002, petitioners submitted an allegation that the home market sales submitted by DSM in its November 13, 2002, section B response were below its cost of production.

On December 20, 2002, the Department issued a supplemental questionnaire covering DSM's November 4, 2002 section A response. On January 13, 2003, DSM submitted its section A supplemental response to the Department's December 20, 2002 supplemental questionnaire.

On January 21, 2003, the Department initiated a sales below cost of production inquiry, and on January 22, 2003, requested DSM to respond to section D of the questionnaire.