

cost of production. *See* Petitioner's Cost Allegation, dated April 23, 2003. On April 25, 2003, the petitioner supplemented their cost of production allegation. *See* Stainless Steel Wire Rod from India: Isibars' Sales Deficiencies and Supplement to Isibars Allegation of Sales Below Cost (April 25, 2003). On June 3, 2003, the Department initiated a cost of production inquiry and requested that Isibars submit its Section D response.

On May 29, 2003, the Department issued a Sections B and C supplemental questionnaire to Isibars, to which Isibars responded on June 20, 2003. On July 8, 2003, the Department received Isibars' Section D response. Also on July 8, 2003, Isibars properly refiled its first Section A supplemental questionnaire of May 28, 2003.

On August 20, 2003, the Department issued a second Sections A, B, and C supplemental questionnaire and a first Section D supplemental questionnaire. The Department received Isibars' response to the second Sections A, B, and C supplemental questionnaire on September 29, 2003 and to the first Section D supplemental questionnaire on October 14, 2003. On September 12, 2003, the Department issued a third Section A supplemental questionnaire to Isibars, to which Isibars responded on October 14, 2003. On September 24, 2003, the Department issued a second Section D supplemental questionnaire to Isibars, to which Isibars responded on October 14, 2003.

On October 6, 2003, the Department issued a fourth Section A supplemental questionnaire, a third Sections B and C supplemental questionnaire, and a third Section D supplemental questionnaire to Isibars, to which Isibars responded on October 20, 2003. On October 21, 2003, the Department issued a fifth Section A supplemental questionnaire and a fourth Section D questionnaire, to which Isibars responded on November 5, 2003.

#### *Mukand*

On March 11, 2003, Mukand submitted its Section A response. On March 14, 2003, Mukand supplemented its Section A response with several exhibits. On April 7, 2003, Mukand submitted its Sections B and C questionnaire response.

On May 14, 2003, the Department requested pursuant to its *Final Results*, that Mukand submit its Section D response. *See Letter to Mukand from Mr. Robert Bolling*, dated May 14, 2003. On May 29, 2003, the Department issued its first Sections A, B, and C supplemental questionnaire to Mukand, to which Mukand responded on June 27, 2003.

On June 11, 2003, Mukand submitted its Section D response. On July 11, 2003, Mukand supplemented its June 27, 2003, response with a Section C response concerning its constructed export price ("CEP") sales.

On July 28, 2003, the Department issued a Section D supplemental questionnaire to Mukand, to which Mukand responded on August 29, 2003. On August 12, 2003, the Department issued a Sections A, B, and C supplemental questionnaire to Mukand. Mukand responded to the Department's Sections A, B, and C supplemental questionnaire on September 8, 2003. Also on August 12, 2003, the Department issued a Section C supplemental questionnaire to Mukand regarding its CEP sales, to which Mukand submitted a letter, dated September 15, 2003, informing the Department that it would not submit a response to this questionnaire. On September 23, 2003, the Department issued a Sections A, B, C, and D supplemental questionnaire to Mukand, to which Mukand responded on October 17, 2003. On October 29, 2003, the Department issued a second Sections A, B, C, and D supplemental questionnaire to which Mukand responded on November 17, 2003.

#### *Viraj*

Viraj submitted its Section A response on March 18, 2003 and its Sections B, C, and D responses on April 4, 2003. The Department issued its first Section A supplemental questionnaire to Viraj on April 9, 2003, to which Viraj responded on May 19, 2003. The Department issued its first Sections B, C, and D supplemental questionnaire to Viraj on June 20, 2003, to which Viraj responded on July 5, 2003. The Department issued a second Section A supplemental questionnaire to Viraj on September 3, 2003, to which Viraj responded on September 20, 2003. The Department issued a third Section A supplemental questionnaire to Viraj on September 11, 2003, to which Viraj responded on September 15, 2003. The Department issued a fourth supplemental questionnaire for Section A and a second Sections B, C and D supplemental questionnaire on October 7, 2003, to which Viraj responded on October 13, 2003. The Department issued a fifth Section A supplemental questionnaire to Viraj on October 13, 2003. Viraj responded to this questionnaire on October 20, 2003. The Department issued a third Sections C and D supplemental questionnaire to Viraj on October 20, 2003, to which Viraj responded on October 23, 2003. The Department issued a fourth Section

D supplemental questionnaire to Viraj on October 27, 2003, to which Viraj responded on October 30, 2003. The Department issued a fifth Sections C and D supplemental questionnaire to Viraj on October 29, 2003, and received Viraj's response on October 30, 2003.

On August 5, 2003, the Department extended the due date for the preliminary results. *See Stainless Steel Wire Rods from India: Extension of Time Limit for the Preliminary Results of the Antidumping Duty Administrative Review*, 68 FR 46164, (August 5, 2003) ("August 5th extension"). In accordance with Section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act, the Department extended the deadline date for the notice of preliminary results 90 days, from the original date of September 2, 2003, to December 1, 2003. *See August 5th extension*.

Additionally, on November 21, 2003, in accordance with Section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act, the Department again extended the due date for the notice of preliminary results an additional 11 days from the revised due date of December 1, 2003, to December 12, 2003. *See Stainless Steel Wire Rods from India: Extension of Time Limit for the Preliminary Results of the Antidumping Duty Administrative Review*, 68 FR 65680 (November 21, 2003).

#### **Period of Review**

The period of review ("POR") is December 1, 2001, through November 30, 2002.

#### **Scope of the Review**

The merchandise under review is certain SSWR, which are hot-rolled or hot-rolled annealed and/or pickled rounds, squares, octagons, hexagons or other shapes, in coils. SSWR are made of alloy steels containing, by weight, 1.2 percent or less of carbon and 10.5 percent or more of chromium, with or without other elements. These products are only manufactured by hot-rolling and are normally sold in coiled form, and are of solid cross section. The majority of SSWR sold in the United States are round in cross-section shape, annealed and pickled. The most common size is 5.5 millimeters in diameter.

The SSWR subject to this review are currently classifiable under subheadings 7221.00.0005, 7221.00.0015, 7221.00.0030, 7221.00.0045, and 7221.00.0075 of the *Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States* (HTSUS). Although the HTSUS subheadings are provided for convenience and purposes of the U.S. Bureau of Customs and Border Protection, the written