

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Commerce (Department) announces the availability of its guidelines for the proper consideration of small entities in agency rulemaking pursuant to Executive Order 13272. The purpose of these guidelines is to establish procedures and policies to promote compliance with the Regulatory Flexibility Act of 1980 (RFA). These guidelines ensure that the Department properly considers the potential impacts of its rulemakings on small business, small governmental jurisdictions, and small organizations during the rulemaking process.

**ADDRESSES:** To obtain a copy of the Department's guidelines, please send a written request to Daniel Cohen, Chief Counsel for Regulation, Office of the Assistant General Counsel for Legislation and Regulation, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Ave., Suite 5876, Washington, DC 20230, or visit the following Web site: <http://www.ogc.doc.gov/ogc/legreg/regulati.htm>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For further information, please contact Tricia Choe, Attorney-Advisor, Office of the Assistant General Counsel for Legislation at (202) 482-4265.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On August 13, 2002, the President signed Executive Order 13272 entitled Proper Consideration of Small Entities in Agency Rulemaking. Executive Order 13272 requires federal agencies to issue policies and procedures to ensure that the potential impacts of agency rules in small businesses, small organizations, and small governmental jurisdictions are properly considered during the rulemaking process consistent with the statutory mandates of the Regulatory Flexibility Act of 1980 (RFA). *See* 5 U.S.C. 601 *et seq.* The intent of the Order is to ensure that agencies work closely with the Office of Advocacy at the Small Business Administration to address small business issues as early as possible in the regulatory process, particularly as they relate to disproportionate regulatory burden.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Order, the Department of Commerce prepared guidelines that establish procedures and policies ensuring compliance with the RFA. These guidelines ensure that the Department properly considers the potential impacts of rules on small business, small governmental jurisdictions, and small organizations during the rulemaking process. Specifically, the document provides guidance concerning the formulation of the initial regulatory flexibility analysis and final regulatory

flexibility analysis, the certification process, and the SBA review process.

On November 13, 2002, the Department submitted a draft of the guidelines to SBA for review and comment. After reviewing the guidelines, SBA requested that the Department make minor editorial revisions and include the Department's procedure for notifying SBA of proposed rules that may have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities. The Department addressed all of SBA's comments. The Department now makes available to the public its guidelines. To obtain a copy of the guidelines, please see the **ADDRESSES** section of this notice.

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### International Trade Administration

[A-201-809]

#### **Certain Cut-to-Length Carbon Steel Plate From Mexico: Notice of Final Court Decision and Amended Final Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review**

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

**ACTION:** Notice of Final Court Decision and Amended Final Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review.

**SUMMARY:** On November 12, 2002, the United States Court of International Trade (CIT) affirmed the remand determination of the Department of Commerce (the Department) in the 1997-98 administrative review for Altos Hornos de Mexico, S.A. de C.V. (AHMSA) arising from the antidumping duty order on certain cut-to-length carbon steel plate from Mexico. *See Altos Hornos de Mexico, S.A. de C.V. v. United States of America, Bethlehem Steel Corporation and United States Steel Corporation*, Consol. Ct. No. 01-00018, Slip Op. 02-136 (CIT November 12, 2002) (the November 12, 2002 Court order). As there is now a final court decision, we are amending the amended final results of the review in this matter. We will instruct the U.S. Customs Service to liquidate entries subject to these amended final results.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** February 20, 2003.

#### **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Thomas Killiam or Michael Heaney, Antidumping/Countervailing Duty Enforcement, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street N.W. and Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington D.C. 20230; telephone (202) 482-5222 or (202) 482-4475, respectively.

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

##### **Background**

On August 19, 1993, the Department published the antidumping duty order on steel plate from Mexico (58 FR 44165). On February 18, 2000, the Department published the final results of the 1997-1998 administrative review. *See Certain Cut-to-Length Carbon Steel Plate From Mexico: Final Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review*, 65 FR 8338, February 18, 2000. The Department published three successive sets of amended results, on November 2, 2000 (65 FR 65830), December 12, 2000 (65 FR 77566), and January 24, 2001 (66 FR 7619).

Following the January 24, 2001 amended results, the foreign producer, AHMSA, contested certain aspects of the Department's final and amended final results at the CIT. The Department requested a voluntary remand, and on April 15, 2002, the CIT remanded the amended final results to the Department. On June 28, 2002, the Department issued its remand redetermination. *See Redetermination Pursuant to Court Remand Order in Altos Hornos de Mexico, S.A. de C.V. v. United States, et. al.*, Court No. 01-00018, June 28, 2002. *See also* Memorandum to the File from T. Killiam, Case Analyst, "Analysis of Programming Revisions in the Final Remand Results of Review of Cut-to-Length Carbon Steel Plate from Mexico A-201-809", June 28, 2002; and Memorandum to Neal Halper, Director, Office of Accounting, from Peter S. Scholl, Senior Accountant, "Final Remand Redetermination - Antidumping Duty Administrative Review of Certain Cut-to-Length Carbon Steel Plate from Mexico," June 28, 2002. In the remand determination, the Department used historical and inflation-adjusted information previously placed on the record by AHMSA to calculate a revised financial expense rate, and applied this revised rate to AHMSA's historical cost of manufacturing.

On November 12, 2002, the CIT sustained the Department's remand results.