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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

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Glycine from the People's Republic of China: Continuation of Antidumping Duty Order

AGENCY: Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce

SUMMARY: As a result of the determinations by the Department of Commerce (the Department) and the U.S. International Trade Commission (USITC) that revocation of the antidumping duty order on glycine from the People's Republic of China (the PRC) would likely lead to continuation or recurrence of dumping and material injury to an industry in the United States, the Department is publishing a notice of continuation of this antidumping duty order.

DATES: Effective [Insert date of publication in the *Federal Register*.]

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On March 29, 1995, the Department published the antidumping duty order on glycine from the PRC.<sup>1</sup> On August 1, 2016, the Department initiated a sunset review of the *Order* in

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<sup>1</sup> See *Glycine from the People's Republic of China: Antidumping Duty Order*, 60 FR 16116 (March 29, 1995) (*Order*).

accordance with section 751(c) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act).<sup>2</sup>

As a result of this sunset review, the Department determined that revocation of the *Order* would likely lead to continuation or recurrence of dumping and, therefore, notified the USITC of the magnitude of the margins of dumping likely to prevail should the order be revoked.<sup>3</sup> On February 3, 2017, the USITC published its determination, pursuant to section 751(c) of the Act, that revocation of the *Order* would be likely to lead to continuation or recurrence of material injury to an industry in the United States within a reasonably foreseeable time.<sup>4</sup>

#### Scope of the Order

The product covered by the order is glycine, which is a free-flowing crystalline material, like salt or sugar. Glycine is produced at varying levels of purity and is used as a sweetener/taste enhancer, a buffering agent, reabsorbable amino acid, chemical intermediate, and a metal complexing agent. This order covers glycine of all purity levels. Glycine is currently classified under subheading 2922.49.4020 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS). Although the HTSUS subheading is provided for convenience and Customs purposes, the written description of the merchandise under the order is dispositive.<sup>5</sup>

#### Continuation of the Order

As a result of the determinations by the Department and the USITC that revocation of the *Order* would be likely to lead to continuation or recurrence of dumping and material injury to an industry in the United States, pursuant to section 751(d)(2) of the Act, the Department hereby orders the continuation of the *Order*.

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<sup>2</sup> See *Initiation of Five-Year ("Sunset") Review*, 81 FR 50462 (August 1, 2016).

<sup>3</sup> See *Glycine from the People's Republic of China: Final Results of the Expedited Sunset Review of the Antidumping Duty Order*, 81 FR 88663 (December 8, 2016) and accompanying Issues and Decision Memorandum.

<sup>4</sup> See *Glycine from China; Determination*, 82 FR 9223 (February 3, 2017), and USITC Publication 4667 (January 2017), entitled *Glycine from China: Investigation No. 731-TA-718 (Fourth Review)*.

<sup>5</sup> In a separate scope ruling, the Department determined that D(-) Phenylglycine Ethyl Dane Salt is outside the scope of the *Order*. See *Notice of Scope Rulings*, 62 FR 62288 (November 21, 1997).

U.S. Customs and Border Protection will continue to collect cash deposits of estimated antidumping duties at the rates in effect at the time of entry for all imports of subject merchandise. The effective date of the continuation of this order will be the effective date listed above. Pursuant to section 751(c)(2) of the Act, the Department intends to initiate the next sunset review of this order not later than 30 days prior to the fifth anniversary of the effective date of continuation.

This five-year (sunset) review and this notice are in accordance with sections 751(c) and 777(i)(1) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.218(f)(4).

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