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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

INTERNATIONAL TRADE ADMINISTRATION

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High Pressure Steel Cylinders from the People's Republic of China: Final Results of Expedited Sunset Review of the Countervailing Duty Order

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

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce (the Department) finds that revocation of the countervailing duty (CVD) order on high pressure steel cylinders (Steel Cylinders) from the People's Republic of China (PRC) would be likely to lead to continuation or recurrence of a countervailable subsidy at the levels indicated in the Final Results of Review section of this notice.

DATES: Applicable [INSERT DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE *FEDERAL REGISTER*].

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

Background

On May 1, 2017, the Department initiated a sunset review of the *CVD Order*¹ on Steel Cylinders from the PRC pursuant to section 751(c) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the

¹ See *Certain Coated Paper Suitable for High-Quality Print Graphics Using Sheet-Fed Presses from the People's*

Act).² On May 8, 2017, the Department received a notice of intent to participate in the review on behalf of Norris Cylinder Company (Norris) within the deadline specified in 19 CFR 351.218(d)(1). Norris claimed interested party status under section 771(9)(C) of the Act because it was the petitioner in the underlying countervailing duty investigation and is the sole U.S. producer of Steel Cylinders.

The Department received an adequate substantive response from the domestic industry within the 30-day deadline specified in 19 CFR 351.218(d)(3)(i).³ The Department did not receive a substantive response from the Government of the PRC or any respondent interested party to the proceeding. Because the Department received no response from the respondent interested parties, the Department conducted an expedited review of this *CVD Order*, pursuant to section 751(c)(3)(B) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.218(e)(1)(ii)(B)(2) and (C)(2).

Scope of the Order

The merchandise covered by the scope of the *Order* is seamless steel cylinders designed for storage or transport of compressed or liquefied gas (high pressure steel cylinders). High pressure steel cylinders are fabricated of chrome alloy steel including, but not limited to, chromium-molybdenum steel or chromium magnesium steel, and have permanently impressed into the steel, either before or after importation, the symbol of a U.S. Department of Transportation, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (DOT)-approved high pressure steel cylinder manufacturer, as well as an approved DOT type marking of DOT 3A,

Republic of China: Amended Final Affirmative Countervailing Duty Determination and Countervailing Duty Order, 75 FR 70201 (November 17, 2010) (*CVD Order*).

² See *Initiation of Five-Year "Sunset" Review*, 82 FR 20314 (May 1, 2017).

³ See Letters to the Department, "High Pressure Steel Cylinders from the People's Republic of China; Notice of Appearance and of Intent to Participate on Behalf of Petitioner Norris Cylinder Company in Sunset Review of Countervailing Duty Order," dated May 8, 2017, (The Petitioner's Intent to Participate).

3AX, 3AA, 3AAX, 3B, 3E, 3HT, 3T, or DOT–E (followed by a specific exemption number) in accordance with the requirements of sections 178.36 through 178.68 of Title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations, or any subsequent amendments thereof. High pressure steel cylinders covered by the *Order* have a water capacity up to 450 liters, and a gas capacity ranging from 8 to 702 cubic feet, regardless of corresponding service pressure levels and regardless of physical dimensions, finish or coatings.

Excluded from the scope of the *Order* are high pressure steel cylinders manufactured to UN–ISO– 9809–1 and 2 specifications and permanently impressed with ISO or UN symbols. Also excluded from the *Order* are acetylene cylinders, with or without internal porous mass, and permanently impressed with 8A or 8AL in accordance with DOT regulations.

Merchandise covered by the *Order* is classified in the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS) under subheading 7311.00.00.30. Subject merchandise may also enter under HTSUS subheadings 7311.00.00.60 or 7311.00.00.90. Although the HTSUS subheadings are provided for convenience and customs purposes, the written description of the merchandise is dispositive.

Analysis of Comments Received

All issues raised in this review are addressed in the Issues and Decision Memorandum (IDM).⁴ The issues discussed in the Issues and Decision Memorandum include the likelihood of continuation or recurrence of a countervailable subsidy and the net countervailable subsidy likely to prevail if the *CVD Order* were revoked. Parties can find a complete discussion of all issues raised in this expedited sunset review and the corresponding recommendations in this

⁴ See Issues and Decision Memorandum for the Final Results of the Expedited Sunset Review: High Pressure Steel Cylinders from the People’s Republic of China (August 29, 2017).

public memorandum, which is on file electronically *via* the Enforcement and Compliance Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Centralized Electronic Service System (ACCESS). ACCESS is available to registered users at <http://access.trade.gov> and in the Central Records Unit, room B8024 of the main Department of Commerce building. In addition, a complete version of the Issues and Decision Memorandum can be accessed directly on the Internet at <http://enforcement.trade.gov/frn/index.html>. The signed Issues and Decision Memorandum and the electronic versions of the Issues and Decision Memorandum are identical in content.

Final Results of Review

Pursuant to sections 752(b)(1) and (3) of the Act, we determine that revocation of the *CVD Order* on Steel Cylinders from the PRC would be likely to lead to continuation or recurrence of a net countervailable subsidy at the rates listed below:

Producer/Exporter	Subsidy Rate
Beijing Tianhai Industry Co., Ltd.; Tianjin Tianhai High Pressure Container Co., Ltd.; Langfang Tianhai High Pressure Container Co., Ltd.	15.81
All Others	15.81

Notification Regarding Administrative Protective Order

This notice serves as the only reminder to parties subject to the administrative protective order (APO) of their responsibility concerning the return or destruction of proprietary information disclosed under APO in accordance with 19 CFR 351.305. 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 these final results and notice in accordance with sections 751(c), 752(b), and 777(i)(1) of the Act.

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performing the non-exclusive functions and duties of the
Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance

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