DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

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Hydrofluorocarbon Blends from the People’s Republic of China: Final Results of the Antidumping Duty Administrative Review and Final Determination of No Shipments; 2017-2018

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

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce (Commerce) determines that Weitron International Refrigeration Equipment (Kunshan) Co., Ltd., (Weitron) had no shipments of subject merchandise covered by the antidumping duty order on hydrofluorocarbon blends from the People’s Republic of China (China) for the period of review (POR) August 1, 2017 through July 31, 2018.

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

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Background

Commerce published the *Preliminary Results* of the administrative review in the *Federal Register* on June 14, 2019.\(^1\) For events subsequent to the *Preliminary Results*, see Commerce’s Issues and Decision Memorandum.\(^2\) Commerce conducted this administrative review in accordance with section 751 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act).

Scope of the Order

The products subject to this order are HFC blends. HFC blends covered by the scope are R-404A, a zotropie mixture consisting of 52 percent 1,1,1 Trifluoroethane, 44 percent Pentafluoroethane, and 4 percent 1,1,1,2-Tetrafluoroethane; R-407A, a zotropie mixture of 20 percent Difluoromethane, 40 percent Pentafluoroethane, and 40 percent 1,1,1,2-Tetrafluoroethane; R-407C, a zotropie mixture of 23 percent Difluoromethane, 25 percent Pentafluoroethane, and 52 percent 1,1,1,2-Tetrafluoroethane; R-410A, a zotropie mixture of 50 percent Difluoromethane and 50 percent Pentafluoroethane; and R-507A, an azeotropic mixture of 50 percent Pentafluoroethane and 50 percent 1,1,1-Trifluoroethane also known as R-507. The foregoing percentages are nominal percentages by weight. Actual percentages of single component refrigerants by weight may vary by plus or minus two percent points from the nominal percentage identified above.\(^3\)

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\(^1\) *See Hydrofluorocarbon Blends from the People’s Republic of China: Preliminary Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review and Final Rescission, in Part; 2017-2018, 84 FR 27752 (June 14, 2019) (Preliminary Results).*

\(^2\) *See Memorandum, “Issues and Decision Memorandum for the Antidumping Duty Administrative Review: Hydrofluorocarbon Blends from the People’s Republic of China; 2017-2018,” dated concurrently with, and hereby adopted by, this notice (Issues and Decision Memorandum).*

\(^3\) For a complete description of the scope of the order, *see Issues and Decision Memorandum.*
Analysis of Comments Received

The single issue raised in the submitted case brief (i.e., whether to rescind the review for Weitron) is listed in the Appendix to this notice and addressed in the Issues and Decision Memorandum. The Issues and Decision Memorandum is a public document and is on file electronically via Enforcement and Compliance’s Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Centralized Electronic Service System (ACCESS). ACCESS is available to registered users at https://access.trade.gov and is available to all parties in the Central Records Unit, room B8024 of the main Commerce building. In addition, a complete version of the Issues and Decision Memorandum can be accessed directly at http://enforcement.trade.gov/frn/index.html. The signed Issues and Decision Memorandum and the electronic version of the Issues and Decision Memorandum are identical in content.

Final Determination of No Shipments

In the Preliminary Results, Commerce preliminarily determined that Weitron had no shipments of subject merchandise, during the POR. As we have not received any information that undermines our preliminary findings, we determine that Weitron had no shipments of subject merchandise during the POR, and we intend to issue appropriate instructions to U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) that are consistent with our “automatic assessment” clarification for these final results of review.

Assessment

Commerce determined, and U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) shall assess, antidumping duties on all appropriate entries of subject merchandise in accordance with section

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See Preliminary Results, 84 FR at 27752, 27753.
751(a)(2)(C) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.212(b). Commerce intends to issue assessment instructions to CBP 15 days after the date of publication of the final results of this review.

Additionally, consistent with Commerce’s refinement to its assessment practice in non-market economy cases, for Weitron, the exporter under review, which we determined had no shipments of the subject merchandise during the POR, any suspended entries of subject merchandise from Weitron will be liquidated at the China-wide rate.5

Cash Deposit Requirements

The following cash deposit requirements will be effective upon publication of the final results of this administrative review for all shipments of the subject merchandise entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after the publication date, as provided for by section 751(a)(2)(C) of the Act: (1) for previously investigated or reviewed Chinese and non-Chinese exporters who are not under review in this segment of the proceeding but who have separate rates, the cash deposit rate will continue to be the exporter-specific rate published for the most recent period; (2) for all Chinese exporters of subject merchandise that have not been found to be entitled to a separate rate (i.e., including Weitron, which did not demonstrate that it was entitled to a separate rate in the most recently-completed administrative review), the cash deposit rate will be the China-wide rate of 216.37 percent;6 and (3) for all non-Chinese exporters of subject merchandise which have not received their own rate, the cash deposit rate will be the rate applicable to Chinese exporter(s) that supplied that non-Chinese exporter. These deposit requirements, when imposed, shall remain in effect until further notice.

5 For a full discussion of this practice, see Non-Market Economy Antidumping Proceedings: Assessment of Antidumping Duties, 76 FR 65694 (October 24, 2011).
Notifications to Importers

This notice also serves as a final reminder to importers of their responsibility under 19 CFR 351.402(f)(2) to file a certificate regarding the reimbursement of antidumping duties prior to liquidation of the relevant entries during this review period. Failure to comply with this requirement could result in the Secretary’s presumption that reimbursement of antidumping duties occurred and the subsequent assessment of double antidumping duties.

Notifications to Interested Parties

This notice 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 written notification of return or 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 results of review in accordance with sections 751(a)(1) and 777(i)(1) of the Act.


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Appendix

List of Topics Discussed in the Issues and Decision Memorandum

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