DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

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Calcium Hypochlorite from the People’s Republic of China: Final Results of the Expedited First Sunset Review of the Antidumping Duty Order

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

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce (Commerce) finds that revocation of the antidumping duty order on calcium hypochlorite from the People’s Republic of China (China) would be likely to lead to continuation or recurrence of dumping at the levels indicated in the “Final Results of Sunset Review” section of this notice.

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


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On January 30, 2015, Commerce published its antidumping duty order on calcium hypochlorite from China. On December 2, 2019, Commerce published the notice of initiation of the five-year sunset review of the Order, pursuant to section 751(c) of the Tariff Act of 1930,
as amended (the Act).\textsuperscript{2} On December 17, 2019, Commerce received a notice of intent to participate in this review from Innovative Water Care, LLC dba Sigura (IWC) within the deadline specified in 19 CFR 351.218(d)(1)(i).\textsuperscript{3} IWC claimed interested party status under section 771(9)(C) of the Act as a manufacturer of a domestic like product in the United States. On January 2, 2020, IWC provided a complete substantive response for this review within the 30-day deadline specified in 19 CFR 351.218(d)(3)(i).\textsuperscript{4} We received no substantive responses from any other interested parties, nor was a hearing requested. On December 23, 2019, Commerce notified the U.S. International Trade Commission (ITC) that it did not receive an adequate substantive response from respondent interested parties.\textsuperscript{5} As a result, pursuant to section 751(c)(3)(B) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.218(e)(1)(ii)(C)(2), Commerce conducted an expedited (120-day) sunset review of this Order.

Scope of the Order

The product covered by this order is calcium hypochlorite, regardless of form (e.g., powder, tablet (compressed), crystalline (granular), or in liquid solution), whether or not blended with other materials, containing at least 10 percent available chlorine measured by actual weight. The scope also includes bleaching powder and hemibasic calcium hypochlorite.

Calcium hypochlorite has the general chemical formulation Ca(OCl)\textsubscript{2}, but may also be sold in a more dilute form as bleaching powder with the chemical formulation, Ca(OCl)\textsubscript{2}.CaCl\textsubscript{2}.Ca(OH)\textsubscript{2}.2H\textsubscript{2}O or hemibasic calcium hypochlorite with the chemical formula of 2Ca(OCl)\textsubscript{2}.Ca(OH)\textsubscript{2} or Ca(OCl)\textsubscript{2}.0.5Ca(OH)\textsubscript{2}. Calcium hypochlorite has a Chemical Abstract Service (CAS) registry number of 7778-54-3, and a U.S. Environmental Protection

\textsuperscript{2} See Initiation of Five-Year (Sunset) Reviews, 84 FR 65968 (December 2, 2019) (Notice of Initiation).
\textsuperscript{3} See IWC’s Letter, “Notice of Intent to Participate,” dated December 17, 2019.
Agency (EPA) Pesticide Code (PC) Number of 014701. The subject calcium hypochlorite has an International Maritime Dangerous Goods (IMDG) code of Class 5.1 UN 1748, 2880, or 2208 or Class 5.1/8 UN 3485, 3486, or 3487.

Calcium hypochlorite is currently classifiable under the subheading 2828.10.0000 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS). The subheading covers commercial calcium hypochlorite and other calcium hypochlorite. When tableted or blended with other materials, calcium hypochlorite may be entered under other tariff classifications, such as 3808.94.5000 and 3808.99.9500, which cover disinfectants and similar products. While the HTSUS subheadings, the CAS registry number, the U.S. EPA PC number, and the IMDG codes are provided for convenience and customs purposes, the written description of the scope of this order is dispositive.

Analysis of Comments Received

All issues raised in this review, including the likelihood of continuation or recurrence of dumping in the event of revocation and the magnitude of the margins likely to prevail if the order were revoked, are addressed in the accompanying Issues and Decision Memorandum. A list of topics discussed in the Issues and Decision Memorandum is included as an appendix to this notice. 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 http://access.trade.gov, and 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 on the Internet at http://enforcement.trade.gov/frn/. The signed Issues and Decision Memorandum and the electronic version of the Issues and Decision Memorandum
are identical in content.

Final Results of Sunset Review

Pursuant to sections 751(c)(1) and 752(c)(1) and (3) of the Act, Commerce determines that revocation of the antidumping duty order on calcium hypochlorite from China would likely lead to continuation or recurrence of dumping and that the magnitude of the margins is up to 210.52 percent.\(^6\)

Administrative Protective Order (APO)

This notice serves as the only reminder to interested parties subject to an 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 the return or destruction of APO materials or conversion to judicial protective order is hereby requested. Failure to comply with the regulations and terms of an APO is a violation which is subject to sanction.

Notification to Interested Parties

We are issuing and publishing these final results and notice in accordance with sections 751(c), 752(c), and 777(i)(1) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.218. Note that Commerce has temporarily modified certain of its requirements for serving documents containing business proprietary information, until May 19, 2020, unless extended.\(^7\)


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\(^6\) See Memorandum, “Issues and Decision Memorandum for the Final Results of the Expedited First Sunset Review of the Antidumping Duty Order on Calcium Hypochlorite from the People’s Republic of China,” dated concurrently with this notice.

\(^7\) See Temporary Rule Modifying AD/CVD Service Requirements Due to COVID-19, 85 FR 17006 (March 26, 2020).
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