



FACT SHEET

Commerce Finds Preliminary Dumping of Certain Kitchen Appliance Shelving and Racks from the People's Republic of China

- On February 27, the Department of Commerce (Commerce) announced its affirmative preliminary determination in the antidumping duty investigation on imports of certain kitchen appliance shelving and racks from the People's Republic of China (China).
- Dumping occurs when a foreign company sells a product in the United States at less than fair value.
- Commerce preliminarily determined that Chinese producers/exporters have sold certain kitchen appliance shelving and racks in the United States at 17.15 to 96.45 percent less than normal value.
- Mandatory respondents New King Shan (Zhu Hai) Co., Ltd. and Guandong Wireking Housewares & Hardware Co., Ltd. received preliminary dumping rates of 17.15 and 25.66 percent, respectively.
- Three Chinese exporters qualified for a separate rate of 21.41 percent. All other exporters will receive the China-wide rate of 96.45 percent.
- As a result of this preliminary determination, Commerce will instruct U.S. Customs and Border Protection to collect a cash deposit or bond based on these preliminary rates.
- The petitioners for this investigation are Nashville Wire Products Inc., SSW Holding Company, Inc., United Steel, Paper and Forestry, Rubber Manufacturing, Energy, Allied-Industrial and Service Workers International Union, and the International Association of Machinists & Aerospace Workers, District Lodge 6 (Clinton IA).
- The merchandise covered by this investigation is shelving and racks for refrigerators, freezers, combined refrigerator-freezers, other refrigerating or freezing equipment, cooking stoves, ranges, and ovens. The subject merchandise may be coated or uncoated and may be formed and/or welded. Shelving and racks are used by original equipment manufacturers of residential and recreational vehicle refrigerators, freezers, and refrigerators/freezers. Excluded from the scope of this investigation is shelving in which the support surface is glass.
- The merchandise subject to this investigation is currently classifiable under the subheadings 8418.99.8050, 8418.99.80.60, 7321.90.5000, and 8516.90.8000 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS). While HTSUS subheadings are provided for convenience and customs purposes, Commerce's written description governs the scope of this investigation.

- From 2006 to 2008, imports from China increased 43 percent by value and were valued at an estimated \$261 million in 2008. The Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States subheadings for this investigation are basket categories, covering not only subject merchandise, but also other kitchen appliance parts.

NEXT STEPS

- Commerce is currently scheduled to make its final determination in July 2009.
- If Commerce makes an affirmative final determination, and the U.S. International Trade Commission makes an affirmative final determination that imports of certain kitchen appliance and shelving from China materially injure, or threaten material injury to, the domestic industry, Commerce will issue an antidumping duty dumping order.

PRELIMINARY DUMPING RATES:

| PRODUCER/EXPORTER | MARGIN |
|--|--------|
| Guandong Wireking Housewares & Hardware Co., Ltd. (a/k/a Foshan Shunde Wireking Housewares & Hardware Co., Ltd.) | 25.66 |
| New King Shan (Zhu Hai) Co., Ltd. | 17.15 |

SEPARATE RATE RESPONDENTS

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| Marmon Retail Services Asia/ Leader Metal Industry Co., Ltd. (a/k/a Marmon Retail Services Asia) | 21.41 |
| Hangzhou Dunli Import & Export Co., Ltd. | 21.41 |
| Jiangsu Weixi Group Co. | 21.41 |
| China-Wide | 96.45 |

CASE CALENDAR:

| EVENT | DEADLINE |
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| Petitions Filed | July 31, 2008 |
| DOC Initiation Date | August 20, 2008 |
| ITC Preliminary Determination | September 15, 2008 |
| DOC Preliminary Determination | February 26, 2009 |
| DOC Final Determination | July 13, 2009 |
| ITC Final Determination* | August 27, 2009 |
| Issuance of Orders** | September 3, 2009 |

*This will take place only in the event of a final affirmative determination by the Department of Commerce.

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IMPORT STATISTICS:

CHINA

2006

2007

2008



Value (USD)

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| \$182,192,178 | \$240,856,056 | \$261,015,474 |
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Source: U.S. International Trade Commission, Dataweb (HTSUS 8418.99.8050, 8418.99.80.60 , 7321.90.5000, and 8516.90.8000). These HTSUS subheadings are basket categories, covering not only subject merchandise, but also other kitchen appliance parts.