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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

The Department of Commerce will submit to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).

Agency: National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST).

Title: NIST Summer Institute for Middle School Science Teachers (NIST Summer Institute) and the NIST Research Experience for Teachers (NIST RET) Programs Application Requirements.

OMB Control Number: 0693–0059.

Type of Request: Regular submission (revision of a currently approved information collection).

Number of Respondents: 100.

Average Hours per Response: 1.

Burden Hours: 100.

Needs and Uses: The NIST Summer Institute and the NIST RET are two competitive financial assistance (cooperative agreement) programs that offer middle school (Grades 6–8) science teachers an opportunity to participate in hands-on activities, lectures, tours, visits, or in scientific research with scientists and engineers in NIST laboratories. The aim is to encourage them to inspire students to pursue careers in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) fields. This request is for the information collection for form NIST–1103 that must be completed by nominated teachers. The information is used in making cooperative agreement decisions.

Revision: The NIST 1103–A, previously used by DC Public School Teachers applicants due to a separate allowance for a late application period, has been removed from this information collection request. DC teachers have applied during the regular application process using NIST 1103.

Affected Public: U.S. public school districts, U.S. accredited private educational institutions, and U.S. middle school (Grades 6–8) science teachers.

Frequency: Annually.

Respondent’s Obligation: Required to obtain benefits.

This information collection request may be viewed at reginfo.gov. Follow the instructions to view Department of Commerce collections currently under review by OMB.

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to OIRA_Submission@omb.eop.gov or fax to (202) 395–5806.

Dated: August 18, 2014.

Gwellnar Banks,

Management Analyst, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[A–583–853]

Certain Crystalline Silicon Photovoltaic Products From Taiwan: Notice of Amended Preliminary Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value

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

DATES: Effective Date: August 22, 2014.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce (“Department”) has determined that it made certain significant ministerial errors in the preliminary determination of sales at less than fair value in the antidumping duty investigation of certain crystalline silicon photovoltaic products from Taiwan, as described below in the “Supplementary Information” section of this notice. The Department corrected these errors and has recalculated the weighted-average dumping margin for a mandatory respondent and the all-others rate, as described below in the “Amended Preliminary Determination” section of this notice.


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On July 31, 2014, the Department published its affirmative preliminary determination that certain crystalline silicon photovoltaic products from Taiwan are being, or are likely to be, sold in the United States at less than fair value, as provided by section 733 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the “Act”).

On July 30, 2014, Motech Industries, Inc. (“Motech”), a mandatory respondent in this investigation, submitted a timely ministerial error allegation with respect to the Preliminary Determination. In addition, on August 4, 2014, SolarWorld Industries America, Inc. (“Petitioner”) and tenKsolar (Shanghai) Co., Ltd. (“tenKsolar”), an exporter of Chinese panels that were made of cells produced in Taiwan during the period of investigation, submitted timely ministerial error allegations. Therefore, in accordance with 19 CFR 351.224(e), we have made changes, as discussed below, to the Preliminary Determination.

Period of Investigation

The period of investigation (“POI”) is October 1, 2012 through September 30, 2013.

Scope of Investigation

The merchandise covered by these investigations is crystalline silicon photovoltaic cells, and modules, laminates and/or panels consisting of crystalline silicon photovoltaic cells, whether or not partially or fully assembled into other products, including building integrated materials. For purposes of these investigations, subject merchandise also includes modules, laminates and/or panels.

1 See Certain Crystalline Silicon Photovoltaic Products From Taiwan: Affirmative Preliminary Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value and Postponement of Final Determination, 79 FR 44,395 (July 31, 2014) (“Preliminary Determination”).
assembled in the subject country consisting of crystalline silicon photovoltaic cells that are completed or partially manufactured within a customs territory other than that subject country, using ingots that are manufactured in the subject country, wafers that are manufactured in the subject country, or cells where the manufacturing process begins in the subject country and is completed in a non-subject country.

Subject merchandise includes crystalline silicon photovoltaic cells of thickness equal to or greater than 20 micrometers, having a p/n junction formed by any means, whether or not the cell has undergone other processing, including, but not limited to, cleaning, etching, coating, and/or addition of materials (including, but not limited to, metallization and conductor patterns) to collect and forward the electricity that is generated by the cell.

Excluded from the scope of these investigations are thin film photovoltaic products produced from amorphous silicon (a-Si), cadmium telluride (CdTe), or copper indium gallium selenide (CIGS). Also excluded from the scope of these investigations are any products covered by the existing antidumping and countervailing duty orders on crystalline silicon photovoltaic cells, whether or not assembled into modules, from the People’s Republic of China. Also excluded from the scope of these investigations are crystalline silicon photovoltaic cells, not exceeding 10,000 mm² in surface area, that are permanently integrated into a consumer good whose function is other than power generation and that consumes the electricity generated by the integrated crystalline silicon photovoltaic cell. Where more than one cell is permanently integrated into a consumer good, the surface area for purposes of this exclusion shall be the total combined surface area of all cells that are integrated into the consumer good.

Merchandise covered by these investigations is currently classified in the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS) under subheadings 8501.61.0000, 8507.20.8030, 8507.20.8040, 8507.20.8060, 8507.20.8090, 8541.40.6020, 8541.40.6030 and 8501.31.8000. These HTSUS subheadings are provided for convenience and customs purposes; the written description of the scope of these investigations is dispositive.

Significant Ministerial Errors

Ministerial errors are defined in 19 CFR 351.224(f) as “errors in addition, subtraction, or other arithmetic function, clerical errors resulting from inaccurate copying, duplication, or the like, and any other type of unintentional error which the [Department] considers ministerial.” Section 351.224(e) of the Department’s regulations provides that the Department “will analyze any comments received and, if appropriate, correct any significant ministerial error by amending the preliminary determination . . .” A significant ministerial error is defined as a ministerial error, the correction of which, either singly or in combination with other errors, would result in (1) a change of at least five absolute percentage points in, but not less than 25 percent of, the weighted-average dumping margin calculated in the original (erroneous) preliminary determination, or (2) a difference between a weighted-average dumping margin of zero (or de minimis) and a weighted-average dumping margin of greater than de minimis or vice versa.

In accordance with 19 CFR 351.224(e) and (g)(1), the Department is amending the preliminary determination of sales at less than fair value in the antidumping duty investigation of certain crystalline silicon photovoltaic products from Taiwan to reflect the corrections of significant ministerial errors it made in the margin calculation for Motech, a mandatory respondent in this investigation. As a result of these corrections, the Department has also amended the all others rate.

Ministerial Error Allegations

For a complete analysis of the ministerial error allegations, see the Ministerial Error Memo.

Amended Preliminary Determination

As a result of this amended preliminary determination, we have revised the preliminary weighted-average dumping margin for Motech and all others as follows:

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The collection of cash deposits and suspension of liquidation will be revised according to the rates calculated in these amended preliminary results. Because these amended rates result in reduced cash deposits, they will be effective retroactively to July 31, 2014, the date of publication of the Preliminary Determination, and parties will be notified of this determination, in accordance with section 733(d) and (f) of the Act.

The Department intends to disclose calculations performed in connection with this amended preliminary determination within five days of the date of publication of this notice in accordance with 19 CFR 351.224(b).

This amended preliminary determination is issued and published in accordance with sections 733(f) and 777(i)(1) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.224(e).


Ronald K. Lorentzen, Acting Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance.