

UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION
Washington, DC 20436

In the Matter of

**SODIUM HEXAMETAPHOSPHATE
FROM CHINA**

Investigation No.
731-TA-1110 (Final)

**NOTICE OF COMMISSION DETERMINATION TO CONDUCT
A PORTION OF THE HEARING *IN CAMERA***

AGENCY: U.S. International Trade Commission.

ACTION: Closure of a portion of a Commission hearing.

SUMMARY: Upon request of Chinese producer, Hubei Xingfa Chemical Group Company, Ltd. (Xingfa), the Commission has determined to conduct a portion of its hearing in the above-captioned investigation scheduled for January 24, 2008, *in camera*. See Commission rules 207.24(d), 201.13(m) and 201.36(b)(4) (19 C.F.R. §§ 207.24(d), 201.13(m) and 201.36(b)(4)). The remainder of the hearing will be open to the public. The Commission has determined that the seven-day advance notice of the change to a meeting was not possible. See Commission rule 201.35(a), (c)(1) (19 C.F.R. § 201.35(a), (c)(1)).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Robin L. Turner, Esq., Office of the General Counsel, United States International Trade Commission, 202-205-3103. Hearing-impaired individuals are advised that information on this matter may be obtained by contacting the Commission's TDD terminal on 202-205-3105.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Commission believes that Xingfa has justified the need for a closed session. In this review, significant data for the domestic and foreign producers and subject imports are business proprietary. Xingfa seeks a closed session in order to fully address the issues before the Commission without referring to business proprietary information. In making this decision, the Commission nevertheless reaffirms its belief that whenever possible its business should be conducted in public.

The hearing will include the usual public presentations by petitioners and by respondents, with questions from the Commission. In addition, the hearing will include a 10-minute *in camera* session for a confidential presentation by Chinese Respondent, Xingfa. This session will be followed by questions from the Commission relating to the BPI and a 10-minute *in camera* rebuttal presentation by petitioners, if needed. Following the *in camera* session, the Commission will reopen the hearing to the public for the public rebuttal/closing statements. During the *in camera* session the room will be cleared of all persons except those who have been granted access to BPI under a Commission administrative protective order

(APO) and are included on the Commission's APO service list in this investigation. *See* 19 C.F.R. § 201.35(b). The time for the parties' presentations and rebuttals in the *in camera* session will be taken from their respective overall time allotments for the hearing. All persons planning to attend the *in camera* portions of the hearing should be prepared to present proper identification.

AUTHORITY: The General Counsel has certified, pursuant to Commission Rule 201.39 (19 C.F.R. § 201.39) that a portion of the Commission's hearing in *Sodium Hexametaphosphate from China*, Inv. No. 731-TA-1110 (Final), may be closed to the public to prevent the disclosure of BPI.

By order of the Commission.

/s/
Marilyn R. Abbott
Secretary to the Commission

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