EXPLANATION OF COMMISSION DETERMINATIONS OF ADEQUACY

in

Sodium Nitrite from China and Germany Inv. Nos. 701-TA-453 and 731-TA-1136-1137 (Second Review)

On April 12, 2019, the Commission determined to conduct expedited reviews in the subject five-year reviews pursuant to section 751(c)(3)(B) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, 19 U.S.C. § 1675(c)(3)(B).

The Commission received a response to its notice of institution from Chemtrade Chemicals US LLC ("Chemtrade"), a domestic producer of sodium nitrite. The Commission found the domestic producer's response to be individually adequate. Because the Commission received an adequate response from a domestic interested party accounting for a substantial share of domestic production of sodium nitrite in 2018, the Commission unanimously determined that the domestic interested party group response was adequate.

No respondent interested party filed a response to the notice of institution. Consequently, the Commission also unanimously determined that the respondent interested party group response was inadequate.

The Commission did not find any circumstances that would warrant conducting full reviews. It therefore determined to conduct expedited reviews of the orders.

A record of the Commissioners' votes is available from the Office of the Secretary and at the Commission's website (<u>www.usitc.gov</u>).