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## INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

**[Investigation Nos. 701–TA–670 and 731–TA–1570 (Preliminary)]**

### Freight Rail Coupler Systems and Components From China

#### Determinations

On the basis of the record<sup>1</sup> developed in the subject investigations, the United States International Trade Commission (“Commission”) determines, pursuant to the Tariff Act of 1930 (“the Act”), that there is a reasonable indication that an industry in the United States is materially injured by reason of imports of freight rail coupler systems and components from China, provided for in subheading 8607.30.10 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States, that are alleged to be sold in the United States at less than fair value (“LTFV”) and to be subsidized by the government of China.<sup>2</sup>

#### Commencement of Final Phase Investigations

Pursuant to section 207.18 of the Commission’s rules, the Commission also gives notice of the commencement of the final phase of its investigations. The Commission will issue a final phase notice of scheduling, which will be published in the **Federal Register** as provided in § 207.21 of the Commission’s rules, upon notice from the U.S. Department of Commerce (“Commerce”) of affirmative preliminary determinations in the investigations under §§ 703(b) or 733(b) of the Act, or, if the preliminary determinations are negative, upon notice of affirmative final determinations in those investigations under §§ 705(a) or 735(a) of the Act. Parties that filed entries of appearance in the preliminary phase of the investigations need not enter a separate appearance for the final phase of the investigations. Industrial users, and, if the merchandise under investigation is sold at the retail level, representative consumer organizations have the right to appear as parties in Commission antidumping and countervailing duty

<sup>1</sup> The record is defined in § 207.2(f) of the Commission’s Rules of Practice and Procedure (19 CFR 207.2(f)).

<sup>2</sup> 86 FR 58864 (October 25, 2021) and 86 FR 58878 (October 25, 2021).

investigations. The Secretary will prepare a public service list containing the names and addresses of all persons, or their representatives, who are parties to the investigations.

#### Background

On September 29, 2021, the Coalition of Freight Coupler Producers consisting of McConway & Torley LLC (“M&T”), Pittsburgh, PA, and the United Steel, Paper and Forestry, Rubber, Manufacturing, Energy, Allied Industrial and Service Workers International Union, AFL-CIO, CLC (“USW”) filed petitions with the Commission and Commerce,<sup>3</sup> alleging that an industry in the United States is materially injured or threatened with material injury by reason of subsidized imports of freight rail coupler systems and components from China and LTFV imports of freight rail coupler systems and components from China. Accordingly, effective September 29, 2021, the Commission instituted countervailing duty investigation No. 701–TA–670 and antidumping duty investigation No. 731–TA–1570 (Preliminary).

Notice of the institution of the Commission’s investigations and of a public conference to be held in connection therewith was given by posting copies of the notice in the Office of the Secretary, U.S. International Trade Commission, Washington, DC, and by publishing the notice in the **Federal Register** of October 5, 2021 (86 FR 54997). In light of the restrictions on access to the Commission building due to the COVID–19 pandemic, the Commission conducted its conference through written testimony and video conference on October 20, 2021. All persons who requested the opportunity were permitted to participate.

The Commission made these determinations pursuant to §§ 703(a) and 733(a) of the Act (19 U.S.C. 1671b(a) and 1673b(a)). It completed and filed its determinations in these investigations on November 15, 2021. The views of the Commission are contained in USITC Publication 5243 (November 2021), entitled *Freight Rail Coupler Systems and Components from China: Investigation Nos. 701–TA–670 and 731–TA–1570 (Preliminary)*.

By order of the Commission.

<sup>3</sup> Initially, Petitioner was M&T and another domestic producer. However, the other domestic producer withdrew, and USW was added to the petitions.

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## INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

**[Investigation Nos. 731–TA–1546–1549 (Final)]**

### Thermal Paper From Germany, Japan, Korea, and Spain

#### Determinations

On the basis of the record<sup>1</sup> developed in the subject investigations, the United States International Trade Commission (“Commission”) determines, pursuant to the Tariff Act of 1930 (“the Act”), that an industry in the United States is materially injured by reason of imports of thermal paper from Germany, Japan, Korea, and Spain, provided for in subheadings 4811.90.80 and 4811.90.90 (statistical reporting numbers 4811.90.8030 and 4811.90.9030) of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States, that have been found by the U.S. Department of Commerce (“Commerce”) to be sold in the United States at less than fair value (“LTFV”).<sup>2,3</sup>

#### Background

The Commission instituted these investigations effective October 7, 2020, following receipt of petitions filed with the Commission and Commerce by Appvion Operations, Inc. (Appleton, Wisconsin) and Domtar Corporation (Fort Mill, South Carolina). The Commission scheduled the final phase of the investigations following notification of preliminary determinations by Commerce that imports of thermal paper from Germany, Japan, Korea, and Spain were being sold at LTFV within the meaning of section 733(b) of the Act (19 U.S.C. 1673b(b)). Notice of the scheduling of the final phase of the Commission’s investigations and of a public hearing to be held in connection therewith was given by posting copies of the notice in the Office of the Secretary, U.S. International Trade Commission, Washington, DC, and by publishing the notice in the **Federal Register** of June 9,

<sup>1</sup> The record is defined in § 207.2(f) of the Commission’s Rules of Practice and Procedure (19 CFR 207.2(f)).

<sup>2</sup> 86 FR 54152, 86 FR 54157, 86 FR 54154, and 86 FR 54162 (September 30, 2021).

<sup>3</sup> The Commission also finds that imports subject to Commerce’s affirmative critical circumstances determinations are not likely to undermine seriously the remedial effect of the antidumping duty orders on Germany and Korea.

2021 (86 FR 30627) and June 24, 2021 (86 FR 33358). In light of the restrictions on access to the Commission building due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Commission conducted its hearing through written testimony and video conference on September 21, 2021. All persons who requested the opportunity were permitted to participate.

The Commission made these determinations pursuant to § 735(b) of the Act (19 U.S.C. 1673d(b)). It completed and filed its determinations in these investigations on November 15, 2021. The views of the Commission are contained in USITC Publication 5237 (November 2021), entitled *Thermal Paper from Germany, Japan, Korea, and Spain: Investigation Nos. 731-TA-1546-1549 (Final)*.

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## DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

### Notice of Lodging of Proposed Consent Decree Under Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act

On November 15, 2021, the Department of Justice lodged a proposed Consent Decree (“Consent Decree”) with the United States District Court for the Western District of New York in a lawsuit entitled *United States, the State of New York, and the Tuscarora Nation v. Honeywell International, Inc.*, Civil Action No. 21-1218. In the complaint, the plaintiffs, collectively the United States, the State of New York, and the Tuscarora Nation (also referred to as “the Natural Resource Trustees”), seek natural resource damages under Section 107(a) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (“CERCLA”), 42 U.S.C. 9607(a) from defendant Honeywell International, Inc. (“Honeywell”). The complaint alleges that Honeywell, as a successor to the Allied Chemical Corp./Buffalo Color Corp., is a liable party in connection with natural resource damages resulting from the release of hazardous substances into a portion of the Buffalo River, Buffalo, New York (“the Site”), from the early 1900s through at least the mid-1900s.

The proposed Consent Decree requires that Honeywell, as a Settling Defendant, pay \$4,250,000 to the Natural Resource Trustees to

compensate for natural resource damages. The payment will reimburse past assessment costs, and fund natural resource habitat restoration projects, cultural restoration projects, and oversight costs to oversee completion of the projects. Under the proposed settlement, conservation easements and restrictions will be recorded on approximately 70 undeveloped acres of land adjacent to the Buffalo River to preserve these properties in their undeveloped condition in perpetuity. These properties are currently owned by CSX Transportation or the City of Buffalo, who are settling parties under the Consent Decree. Additional settling parties include other parties that are potentially responsible for natural resource damages that have entered into separate settlements with Honeywell.

The publication of this notice opens a period for public comment on the proposed Consent Decree. Comments should be addressed to the Assistant Attorney General, Environment and Natural Resources Division, and should refer to *United States, the State of New York, and the Tuscarora Nation v. Honeywell International, Inc.*, Civil Action No. 21-1218, D.J. Ref. No. 90-11-3-08780. All comments must be submitted no later than thirty (30) days after the publication date of this notice. Comments may be submitted either by email or by mail:

To submit comments:	Send them to:
By email .....	<a href="mailto:pubcomment-ees.enrd@usdoj.gov">pubcomment-ees.enrd@usdoj.gov</a>
By mail .....	Assistant Attorney General, U.S. DOJ—ENRD, P.O. Box 7611, Washington, DC 20044-7611.

During the public comment period, the proposed Consent Decree may be examined and downloaded at this Justice Department website: <https://www.justice.gov/enrd/consent-decrees>. We will provide a paper copy of the proposed Consent Decree upon written request and payment of reproduction costs. Please mail your request and payment to: Consent Decree Library, U.S. DOJ—ENRD, P.O. Box 7611, Washington, DC 20044-7611.

Please enclose a check or money order for \$9.75 (25 cents per page reproduction cost), payable to the United States Treasury.

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## DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

### Employment and Training Administration

#### Agency Information Collection Activities; Comment Request; Standard Job Corps Contractor and Grantee Information Gathering

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Labor’s (DOL) Employment and Training Administration (ETA) is soliciting comments concerning a proposed extension for the authority to conduct the information collection request (ICR) titled, “Standard Job Corps Contractor and Grantee Information Gathering.” This comment request is part of continuing Departmental efforts to reduce paperwork and respondent burden in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA).

**DATES:** Consideration will be given to all written comments received by January 18, 2022.

**ADDRESSES:** A copy of this ICR with applicable supporting documentation, including a description of the likely respondents, proposed frequency of response, and estimated total burden, may be obtained free by contacting Lawrence Lyford by telephone at 202-693-3121 (this is not a toll-free number), TTY 1-877-889-5627 (this is not a toll-free number), or by email at [Lyford.Lawrence@dol.gov](mailto:Lyford.Lawrence@dol.gov).

Submit written comments about, or requests for a copy of, this ICR by mail or courier to the U.S. Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration, Office of Job Corps, 200 Constitution Avenue NW, Room N4459 Washington, DC 20210; by email: [Lyford.Lawrence@dol.gov](mailto:Lyford.Lawrence@dol.gov); or by fax 202-693-3113.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Lawrence Lyford by telephone at 202-693-3121 (this is not a toll-free number) or by email at [Lyford.Lawrence@dol.gov](mailto:Lyford.Lawrence@dol.gov).

Authority: 44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** DOL, as part of continuing efforts to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, conducts a pre-clearance consultation program to provide the general public and Federal agencies an opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing collections of information before submitting them to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for final approval. This program helps to ensure requested data can be provided in the desired format, reporting burden (time and financial resources) is minimized,