A Federal Register notice with a 60-day public comment period soliciting comments on this collection of information was published on October 1, 2021 (86 FR 54468). No comments were received.

As part of our continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burdens, we are again soliciting comments from the public and other Federal agencies on the proposed ICR that is described below. We are especially interested in public comment addressing the following:

1. Whether or not the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether or not the information will have practical utility;
2. The accuracy of our estimate of the burden for this collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
3. Ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
4. How the agency might minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of response.

Comments that you submit in response to this notice are a matter of public record. Before including your address, phone number, email address, or other personally identifiable information (PII) in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment—including your PII—may be made publicly available at any time.

Although the USGS, the USFWS, and the Wildlife Management Institute. The program’s graduate education and research mission has remained largely unchanged through its tenure, yet the issues challenging fish and wildlife conservation have transformed. This raises questions about the program’s support and sustainability into the future and how best to address cooperator needs.

Through focused surveys and interviews, this information collection will ask participants to evaluate their communication and relationships with individuals in the program. The data will be used to examine the structure, communication, and socio-technical connectivity using network analysis and agent-based modeling. This information collection aims to improve our understanding of the impact and effectiveness of the Cooperative Research Units Program and how well it meets its partners’ needs.

Title of Collection: Information collection through surveys and interviews to improve the Cooperative Research Units Program mission, functions, and goals.
OMB Control Number: 1028–NEW.
Type of Review: New.
Respondents/Affected Public: Universities, state and tribal governments, and businesses which are direct (both formal and informal) Cooperators of the USGS Cooperative Fish and Wildlife Research Units Program.

Total Estimated Number of Annual Respondents: 840.
Total Estimated Number of Annual Responses: 840.
Estimated Completion Time per Response: 30 minutes.
Total Estimated Number of Annual Burden Hours: 420 hours.
Respondent’s Obligation: Voluntary.
Frequency of Collection: One time.
Total Estimated Annual Nonhour Burden Cost: None.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

The authority for this action is the PRA (44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.).
Cynthia Loftin,

INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION
[Investigation No. 731–TA–539–C (Fifth Review)]

Uranium From Russia; Institution of a Five-Year Review

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Commission hereby gives notice that it has instituted a review pursuant to the Tariff Act of 1930 ("the Act"), as amended, to determine whether termination of the suspended investigation on uranium from Russia would be likely to lead to continuation or recurrence of material injury. Pursuant to the Act, interested parties are requested to respond to this notice by submitting the information specified below to the Commission.

DATES: Instituted September 1, 2022. To be assured of consideration, the deadline for responses is October 3, 2022. Comments on the adequacy of responses may be filed with the Commission by November 14, 2022.


General information concerning the Commission may also be obtained by accessing its internet server (https://www.usitc.gov). The public record for this proceeding may be viewed on the Commission’s electronic docket (EDIS) at https://edis.usitc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Background.—Effective October 16, 1992, the Department of Commerce ("Commerce") suspended an antidumping duty investigation on imports of uranium from Russia (57 FR 49220, October 30, 1992). Commerce issued a continuation of the suspended investigation on uranium from Russia following Commerce's and the Commission's first five-year reviews, effective August 22, 2000 (65 FR 50958, August 22, 2000 and 65 FR 52407, August 29, 2000 (corrected)), second five-year reviews, effective August 11, 2006 (71 FR 46191, August 11, 2006), third five-year reviews, effective March 8, 2012 (77 FR 14001, March 8, 2012),
and fourth five-year reviews, effective October 2, 2017 (82 FR 45810, October 2, 2017). The Commission is now conducting a fifth review pursuant to section 751(c) of the Act, as amended (19 U.S.C. 1675(c)), to determine whether termination of the suspended investigation would be likely to lead to continuation or recurrence of material injury to the domestic industry within a reasonably foreseeable time.

Provisions concerning the conduct of this proceeding may be found in the Commission’s Rules of Practice and Procedure at 19 CFR part 201, subparts A and B, and 19 CFR part 207, subparts A and F. The Commission will assess the adequacy of interested party responses to this notice of institution to determine whether to conduct a full review or an expedited review. The Commission’s determination in any expedited review will be based on the facts available, which may include information provided in response to this notice.

Definitions.—The following definitions apply to this review:

(1) Subject Merchandise is the class or kind of merchandise that is within the scope of the five-year review, as defined by the Department of Commerce.

(2) The Subject Country in this review is Russia.

(3) The Domestic Like Product is the domestically produced product or products which are like, or in the absence of like, most similar in characteristics and uses with, the Subject Merchandise. In its original preliminary determination concerning the U.S.S.R., its full first and second five-year review determinations concerning Russia, and its expedited third and fourth five-year review determinations concerning Russia, the Commission defined the Domestic Like Product as all forms of uranium coextensive with Commerce’s scope.

(4) The Domestic Industry is the U.S. producers as a whole of the Domestic Like Product, or those producers whose collective output of the Domestic Like Product constitutes a major proportion of the total domestic production of the product. In its original preliminary determination concerning the U.S.S.R., the Commission defined the Domestic Industry as domestic producers of the product coextensive with Commerce’s scope of the investigation, including the U.S. Department of Energy’s uranium enrichment operations. In its full first and second five-year review determinations and its expedited third and fourth five-year review determinations concerning Russia, the Commission defined the Domestic Industry as all domestic producers of uranium, including concentrators, the converter, enrichers, and fabricators.

(5) An Importer is any person or firm engaged, either directly or through a parent company or subsidiary, in importing the Subject Merchandise into the United States from a foreign manufacturer or through its selling agent.

Participation in the proceeding and public service list.—Persons, including industrial users of the Subject Merchandise and, if the merchandise is sold at the retail level, representative consumer organizations, wishing to participate in the proceeding as parties must file an entry of appearance with the Secretary to the Commission, as provided in §201.11(b)(4) of the Commission’s rules, no later than 21 days after publication of this notice in the Federal Register. The Secretary will maintain a public service list containing the names and addresses of all persons, or their representatives, who are parties to the proceeding.

Former Commission employees who are seeking to appear in Commission five-year reviews are advised that they may appear in a review even if they participated personally and substantially in the corresponding underlying original investigation or an earlier review of the same underlying investigation. The Commission’s designated agency ethics official has advised that a five-year review is not the same particular matter as the underlying original investigation, and a five-year review is not the same particular matter as an earlier review of the same underlying investigation for purposes of 18 U.S.C. 207, the post-employment statute for Federal employees, and Commission rule 201.15(b) (19 CFR 201.15(b)), 79 FR 3246 (Jan. 17, 2014), 73 FR 24609 (May 5, 2008). Consequently, former employees are not required to seek Commission approval to appear in a review under Commission rule 19 CFR 201.15, even if the corresponding underlying original investigation or an earlier review of the same underlying investigation was pending when they were Commission employees. For further ethics advice on this matter, contact Charles Smith, Office of the General Counsel, at 202–205–3408.

Limited disclosure of business proprietary information (BPI) under an administrative protective order (APO) and APO service list.—Pursuant to §207.7(a) of the Commission’s rules, the Secretary will make BPI submitted in this proceeding available to authorized applicants by the APO issued in the proceeding, provided that the application is made no later than 21 days after publication of this notice in the Federal Register. Authorized applicants must represent interested parties, as defined in 19 U.S.C. 1677(9), who are parties to the proceeding. A separate service list will be maintained by the Secretary for those parties authorized to receive BPI under the APO.

Certification.—Pursuant to §207.3 of the Commission’s rules, any person submitting information to the Commission in connection with this proceeding must certify that the information is accurate and complete to the best of the submitter’s knowledge. In making the certification, the submitter will acknowledge that information submitted in response to this request for information and throughout this proceeding or other proceeding may be disclosed to and used: (i) by the Commission, its employees and Offices, and contract personnel (a) for developing or maintaining the records of this or a related proceeding, or (b) in internal investigations, audits, reviews, and evaluations relating to the programs, personnel, and operations of the Commission including under 5 U.S.C. appendix 3; or (ii) by U.S. government employees and contract personnel, solely for cybersecurity purposes. All contract personnel will sign appropriate nondisclosure agreements.

Written submissions.—Pursuant to §207.61 of the Commission’s rules, each interested party response to this notice must provide the information specified below. The deadline for filing such responses is October 3, 2022. Pursuant to §207.62(b) of the Commission’s rules, eligible parties (as specified in Commission rule 207.62(b)(1)) may also file comments concerning the adequacy of responses to the notice of institution and whether the Commission should conduct an expedited or full review. The deadline for filing such comments is November 14, 2022. All written submissions must conform with the provisions of §201.9 of the Commission’s rules. Written submissions that contain BPI must also conform with the requirements of §§201.6, 207.3, and 207.7 of the Commission’s rules. The Commission’s Handbook on Filing Procedures, available on the Commission’s website at https://www.usitc.gov/documents/handbook_on_filing_procedures.pdf, elaborates upon the Commission’s procedures with respect to filings. Also, in accordance with §§201.16(c) and 207.3 of the Commission’s rules, each document filed by a party to the proceeding must be served on all other parties to the proceeding (as identified by either the
(2) A statement indicating whether your firm/entity is an interested party under 19 U.S.C. 1677(9) and if so, including whether your firm/entity is a U.S. producer of the Domestic Like Product, a U.S. union or worker group, a U.S. importer of the Subject Merchandise, a foreign producer or exporter of the Subject Merchandise, a U.S. or foreign trade or business association (a majority of whose members are interested parties under the statute), or another interested party (including an explanation). If you are a union/worker group or trade/business association, identify the firms in which your workers are employed or which are members of your association.

(3) A statement indicating whether your firm/entity is willing to participate in this proceeding by providing information requested by the Commission.

(4) A statement of the likely effects of the termination of the suspended investigation on the Domestic Industry in general or on your firm/entity specifically. In your response, please discuss the various factors specified in section 752(a) of the Act (19 U.S.C. 1675a(a)) including the likely volume of imports, likely price effects of subject imports, and likely impact of imports of Subject Merchandise on the Domestic Industry.

(5) A list of all known and currently operating U.S. producers of the Domestic Like Product. Identify any known related parties and the nature of the relationship as defined in §771(4)(B) of the Act (19 U.S.C. 1677(4)(B)).

(6) A list of all known and currently operating U.S. importers of the Subject Merchandise and producers of the Subject Merchandise in the Subject Country that currently export or have exported Subject Merchandise to the United States or other countries after 2016.

(7) A list of 3–5 leading purchasers in the U.S. market for the Domestic Like Product and the Subject Merchandise (including street address, World Wide Web address, and the name, telephone number, fax number, and Email address of a responsible official at each firm).

(8) A list of known sources of information on national or regional prices for the Domestic Like Product or the Subject Merchandise in the U.S. or other markets.

(9) If you are a U.S. producer of the Domestic Like Product, provide the following information on your firm’s operations on that product during calendar year 2021. Depending upon the form in which it is imported, report quantity data in (1) Pounds of natural uranium concentrate (concentrated U3O8) (Concentrate Producers), (2) kilograms of natural uranium hexafluoride, or kgU, (natural UF6) (Converters), (3) SWUs of enriched uranium hexafluoride (enriched UF6 (LEU–HF)) (Enrichers), or (4) kilograms of enriched uranium oxides, nitrates, and metals, or kgU (Fabricators) (including only that part of the fabrication that is included with the product scope—i.e., the conversion and pelletizing processes). Report value data in U.S. dollars, i.e., plant. If you are a union/worker group or trade/business association, provide the information, on an aggregate basis, for the firms in which your workers are employed/which are members of your association.

(a) Production (quantity) and, if known, an estimate of the percentage of total U.S. production of the Domestic Like Product accounted for by your firm’s(s’) production;

(b) Capacity (quantity) of your firm to produce the Domestic Like Product (that is, the level of production that your establishment(s) could have expected to attain during the year, assuming normal operating conditions (using equipment and machinery in place and ready to operate), normal operating levels (hours per week/weeks per year), time for downtime, maintenance, repair, and cleanup, and a typical or representative product mix);

(c) the quantity and value of U.S. commercial shipments of the Domestic Like Product produced in your U.S. plant(s);

(d) the quantity and value of U.S. internal consumption/company transfers of the Domestic Like Product produced in your U.S. plant(s); and

(e) the value of (i) net sales, (ii) cost of goods sold (COGS), (iii) gross profit, (iv) selling, general, and administrative (SG&A) expenses, and (v) operating income of the Domestic Like Product produced in your U.S. plant(s) (include both U.S. and export commercial sales, internal consumption, and company transfers) for your most recently completed fiscal year (identify the date on which your fiscal year ends).

(10) If you are a U.S. importer or a trade/business association of U.S. importers of the Subject Merchandise from the Subject Country, provide the following information on your firm’s(s’) operations on that product during calendar year 2021. Depending upon the form in which it is imported, report quantity data in (1) Pounds of natural uranium concentrate (concentrated U3O8) (Concentrate Producers), (2) kilograms of natural uranium hexafluoride, or kgU, (natural UF6) (Converters), (3) SWUs of enriched uranium hexafluoride (enriched UF6 (LEU–HF)) (Enrichers), or (4) kilograms of enriched uranium oxides, nitrates, and metals, or kgU (Fabricators) (including only that part of the fabrication that is included with the product scope—i.e., the conversion and pelletizing processes). Report value data in U.S. dollars, i.e., plant. If you are a union/worker group or trade/business association, provide the information, on an aggregate basis, for the firms in which your workers are employed/which are members of your association.

(a) Production (quantity) and, if known, an estimate of the percentage of total U.S. production of the Domestic Like Product accounted for by your firm’s(s’) production;

(b) Capacity (quantity) of your firm to produce the Domestic Like Product (that is, the level of production that your establishment(s) could have expected to attain during the year, assuming normal operating conditions (using equipment and machinery in place and ready to operate), normal operating levels (hours per week/weeks per year), time for downtime, maintenance, repair, and cleanup, and a typical or representative product mix);

(c) the quantity and value of U.S. commercial shipments of the Domestic Like Product produced in your U.S. plant(s);

(d) the quantity and value of U.S. internal consumption/company transfers of the Domestic Like Product produced in your U.S. plant(s); and

(e) the value of (i) net sales, (ii) cost of goods sold (COGS), (iii) gross profit, (iv) selling, general, and administrative (SG&A) expenses, and (v) operating income of the Domestic Like Product produced in your U.S. plant(s) (include both U.S. and export commercial sales, internal consumption, and company transfers) for your most recently completed fiscal year (identify the date on which your fiscal year ends).
nitrates, and metals, or kgU. Report value data in U.S. dollars. If you are a trade/business association, provide the information, on an aggregate basis, for the firms which are members of your association.

(a) The quantity and value (landed, duty-paid but not including antidumping duties) of U.S. imports and, if known, an estimate of the percentage of total U.S. imports of Subject Merchandise from the Subject Country accounted for by your firm’s(s’) imports;

(b) the quantity and value (f.o.b. U.S. port, including antidumping and/or countervailing duties) of U.S. commercial shipments of Subject Merchandise imported from the Subject Country; and

(c) the quantity and value (f.o.b. U.S. port, including antidumping and/or countervailing duties) of U.S. internal consumption/company transfers of Subject Merchandise imported from the Subject Country.

(11) If you are a producer, an exporter, or a trade/business association of producers or exporters of the Subject Merchandise in the Subject Country, provide the following information on your firm’s(s’) operations on that product during calendar year 2021 Report quantity data in (1) pounds of natural uranium concentrate (concentrated U3O8) (Concentrate Producers), (2) kilograms of natural uranium hexafluoride, or kgU, (natural UF6) (Converters), (3) SWUs of enriched uranium hexafluoride (enriched UF6) (LEU–HF) (Enrichers), or (4) kilograms of enriched uranium oxides, nitrates, and metals, or kgU (Fabricators) (including only that part of the fabrication that is included with the product scope—i.e., the conversion and pelletizing processes). Report value data in U.S. dollars, landed and duty-paid at the U.S. port but not including antidumping duties. If you are a trade/business association, provide the information, on an aggregate basis, for the firms which are members of your association.

(a) Production (quantity) and, if known, an estimate of the percentage of total production of Subject Merchandise in the Subject Country accounted for by your firm’s(s’) production;

(b) Capacity (quantity) of your firm(s) to produce the Subject Merchandise in the Subject Country (that is, the level of production that your establishment(s) could reasonably have expected to attain during the year, assuming normal operating conditions (using equipment and machinery in place and ready to operate), normal operating levels (hours per week/weeks per year), time for downtime, maintenance, repair, and cleanup, and a typical or representative product mix); and

(c) the quantity and value of your firm’s(s’) exports to the United States of Subject Merchandise and, if known, an estimate of the percentage of total exports to the United States of Subject Merchandise from the Subject Country accounted for by your firm’s(s’) exports.

(12) Identify significant changes, if any, in the supply and demand conditions or business cycle for the Domestic Like Product that have occurred in the United States or in the market for the Subject Merchandise in the Subject Country after 2016, and significant changes, if any, that are likely to occur within a reasonably foreseeable time. Supply conditions to consider include technology; production methods; development efforts; ability to increase production (including the shift of production facilities used for other products and the use, cost, or availability of major inputs into production); and factors related to the ability to shift supply among different national markets (including barriers to importation in foreign markets or changes in market demand abroad). Demand conditions to consider include end uses and applications; the existence and availability of substitute products; and the level of competition among the Domestic Like Product produced in the United States, Subject Merchandise produced in the Subject Country, and such merchandise from other countries.

(13) (OPTIONAL) A statement of whether you agree with the above definitions of the Domestic Like Product and Domestic Industry; if you disagree with either or both of these definitions, please explain why and provide alternative definitions.

Authority: This proceeding is being conducted under authority of title VII of the Tariff Act of 1930; this notice is published pursuant to §207.61 of the Commission’s rules.

By order of the Commission.

Issued: August 29, 2022.

Katherine Hiner,
Acting Secretary to the Commission.

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INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

[Investigation No. 731–TA–1185 (Second Review)]

Steel Nails From the United Arab Emirates; Institution of a Five-Year Review


ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Commission hereby gives notice that it has instituted a review pursuant to the Tariff Act of 1930 (“the Act”), as amended, to determine whether revocation of the antidumping duty order on steel nails from the United Arab Emirates would be likely to lead to continuation or recurrence of material injury. Pursuant to the Act, interested parties are requested to respond to this notice by submitting the information specified below to the Commission.

DATES: Instituted September 1, 2022. To be assured of consideration, the deadline for responses is October 3, 2022. Comments on the adequacy of responses may be filed with the Commission by November 14, 2022.


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background.—On May 10, 2012, the Department of Commerce (“Commerce”) issued an antidumping duty order on imports of certain steel nails from the United Arab Emirates (77 FR 27421). Following the five-year reviews by Commerce and the Commission, effective October 19, 2017, Commerce issued a continuation of the antidumping duty order on imports of certain steel nails from the United Arab Emirates (82 FR 48681). The Commission is now conducting a second review pursuant to section 751(c) of the Act, as amended (19 U.S.C.