

EXPLANATION OF COMMISSION DETERMINATION ON ADEQUACY

In

Certain Activated Carbon from China
Inv. No. 731-TA-1103 (Second Review)

On May 7, 2018, the Commission determined to conduct an expedited review in the subject five-year review 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 two responses to its notice of institution. One was jointly submitted by Calgon Carbon Corporation, Cabot Norit Americas Inc., and ADA Carbon Solutions, LLC, domestic producers of activated carbon. The Commission unanimously found each domestic interested party's individual response to be adequate. Because the Commission received a response from interested parties accounting for a substantial share of U.S. production of activated carbon in 2017, the Commission unanimously determined that the domestic interested party group response was adequate.

The second response was jointly filed by Carbon Activated Corporation ("CAC"), a U.S. importer of activated carbon, and its wholly owned exporter of subject merchandise, Carbon Activated Tianjin Co., Ltd. ("CA Tianjin"). The Commission unanimously found each respondent interested party's individual response to be adequate. However, because CAC and CA Tianjin did not account for a substantial share of imports or exports of subject merchandise in 2017, the Commission determined that the respondent interested party group response was inadequate.¹

The Commission did not find any circumstances that would warrant conducting a full review. Therefore, the Commission decided to conduct an expedited review of this order.

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

¹ Vice Chairman Johanson and Commissioner Broadbent determined that the respondent interested party group response was adequate and voted to conduct a full review of the order.