# FACT SHEET

## **Commerce Preliminarily Finds Unfair Dumping of Activated Carbon from China**

- On October 5, the Commerce Department announced its affirmative preliminary determination in the antidumping duty investigation of activated carbon from China. Dumping is when a foreign company sells a product in the United States at less than fair market value (which for companies in China is based on their production inputs valued at market-economy costs).
- Commerce determined that Chinese producers/exporters have sold activated carbon in the United States at 13.78 to 228.11 percent less than normal value. As a result of this preliminary determination, Commerce will instruct U.S. Customs and Border Protection to suspend liquidation of entries of subject merchandise and to collect a cash deposit or bond based on the preliminary rates.
- Calgon Carbon Corporation (PA) and Norit Americas, Inc., (TX), are the petitioners in the investigation.
- Certain activated carbon is a powdered, granular, or pelletized carbon product obtained by "activating" with heat and steam various materials containing carbon, including but not limited to coal (including bituminous, lignite, and anthracite), wood, coconut shells, olive stones, and peat. The products under investigation are currently classifiable under the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS) subheading 3802.10.00.
- From 2004 to 2005, imports of activated carbon from China decreased 0.11% by volume and were valued at an estimated \$22.6 million in 2005.

### NEXT STEPS

• If the Department makes a final determination that imports were sold below fair value in this investigation, and the U.S. International Trade Commission (ITC) makes a final affirmative determination that imports from China materially injure, or threaten material injury to, the domestic industry, Commerce will issue an antidumping duty order and instruct U.S. Customs and Border Protection to collect cash deposits on imports of subject merchandise.

#### **CASE CALENDAR:**

EVENT	DATE		
Petition Filed	March 8, 2006		
Initiation of Investigation	March 28, 2006		
DOC Preliminary Determination	October 4, 2006		
DOC Final Determination	February 27, 2007		
ITC Final Determination*	April 12, 2007		
Issuance of Order**	April 19, 2007		

\* Will occur if the DOC issues an affirmative final determination

\*\* This will take place only in the event of final affirmative determinations by both the DOC and the ITC.

## **PRELIMINARY RATES:**

EXPORTER	SUPPLIER	DUMPING MARGIN
Calgon Carbon Tianjin Co., Ltd.	Calgon Carbon Tianjian Co., Ltd., Datong Carbon Corporation, Datong Changtai Activated Carbon Co., Datong Forward Activated Carbon Co., Datong Fuping Activated Carbon Co., Datong Hongtai Activated Carbon Co., Datong Huanqing Activated Carbon Co., Datong Huanqing Activated Carbon Co., Datong Huanqing Activated Carbon Co., Datong Huibao Activated Carbon Co., Ltd, Datong Kangda Activated Carbon Factory, Datong Runmei Activated Carbon Factory, Dushanzi Chemical Factory, Fangyuan Carbonization Co., Ltd., Hongke Activated Carbon Co., Ltd., Huairen Jinbei Chemical Co., Ltd., Jiaocheng Zinzin Purification Material Co., Ltd., Ningxia Guanghua Cherishment Activated Carbon Co., Ltd., Ningzia Guanghua A/C Co., Ltd., Ningxia Honghua Carbon Industrial Corp., Ningxia Luyuanheng Activated Carbon Co., Ltd., Ningxia Tianfu Activated Carbon Co., Ltd., Shanxi Xuanzhong Chemical Industry Co., Ltd., Xingtai Coal Chemical Co., Ltd., Yuyang Activated Carbon Co., Ltd.	84.45%
Jacobi Carbons AB	Datong Forward Activated Carbon Co., Ltd., Datong Hongtai Activated Carbon Co., Ltd., Datong Huiboa Activated Carbon Co., Ltd., Ningxia Guanghua Activated Carbon Co., Ltd., Ningxia Huahui Activated Carbon Co., Ltd.	49.09%
Jilin Bright Future Chemicals Co., Ltd./Jilin Province Future Bright Future Industry and Commerce Co., Ltd.	Shanxi Xinhua Chemicals Co., Ltd., Tonghua Bright Future Activated Carbon Plant, Zuoyun Bright Future Activated Carbon Plant	13.78%
Separate-Rate Respondents (see attachment)		72.52%
China-Wide Rate		228.11%

## **IMPORT STATISTICS:**

CHINA	2003	2004	2005
Volume (kg)	31,136,555	38,152,700	38,110,391
Value (\$US)	17,112,699	21,421,455	22,679,654

Source: ITC Dataweb: HTSUS 3208.10.00