

March 15, 2006

RE: Anticircumvention Inquiry on Minor Alterations: Petroleum Wax Candles from the People's Republic of China ("PRC"): Extension of Final Determination

To All Interested Parties:

This letter concerns the minor alterations anticircumvention inquiry for the antidumping duty order on petroleum wax candles from the PRC. On February 25, 2005, the Department initiated the minor alterations anticircumvention inquiry to determine whether mixed wax candles can be considered subject to the Order on petroleum wax candles from the PRC, as provided in section 781(c) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended ("the Act").² Also, on December 20, 2005, the Department issued a letter to all interested parties extending the final determination by 90 days. The final determination for this anticircumvention inquiry is currently due on April 3, 2006.

However, the Department is extending the final determination of this inquiry because completion of the final determination for this inquiry is not practicable within the scheduled deadline. Therefore, at this time, the Department is extending the current deadline of the final determination for the anticircumvention inquiry by 50 days until May 23, 2006. The Department retains the discretion of further extending the deadline if completion within the extended deadline remains impracticable.

If you have any questions on this matter, please contact myself or Nicole Bankhead at (202) 482-3208 or (202) 482-9068, respectively.

Sincerely,

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¹ The period of review ("POR") is a hypothetical period required by and used only for internal document tracking purposes.

² See Notice of Initiation Anticircumvention Inquiries of Antidumping Duty Order: Petroleum Wax Candles from the People's Republic of China, 70 FR 10962 (March 7, 2005) ("Initiation Notice").

