



FACT SHEET

Commerce Initiates Antidumping Duty (AD) and Countervailing Duty (CVD) Investigations of Imports of Circular Welded Carbon-Quality Steel Pipe (certain steel pipe) from India, the Sultanate of Oman (Oman), the United Arab Emirates (UAE) and the Socialist Republic of Vietnam (Vietnam)

- On November 15, 2011, the Department of Commerce (Commerce) initiated AD and CVD investigations of imports of certain steel pipe from India, Oman, UAE, and Vietnam.
- For the purpose of AD investigations, dumping occurs when a foreign company sells a product in the United States at less than fair value. For the purpose of CVD investigations, countervailable subsidies are financial assistance from foreign governments that benefit the production of goods from foreign companies and are limited to specific enterprises or industries, or are contingent either upon export performance or upon the use of domestic goods over imported goods.
- The petitioners for these investigations are Allied Tube and Conduit (IL), JMC Steel Group (IL), Wheatland Tube (PA), and United States Steel Corporation (PA).
- The merchandise covered by these investigations is welded carbon-quality steel pipes and tube, of circular cross-section, with an outside diameter not more than 16 inches, regardless of wall thickness or surface finish, or industry specification. The petitions indicate subject pipe is generally known as standard pipe, fence pipe and tube, sprinkler pipe, and structural pipe (although the subject product may also be referred to as mechanical tubing if it is made to standard sizes for subject standard pipe; *see* below).
- The scope of the petitions does not include: (a) boiler tubing; (b) finished electrical conduit; (c) finished scaffolding; (d) tube and pipe hollows for redrawing; (e) oil country tubular goods produced to API specifications; (f) line pipe produced to only API specifications; and (g) certain mechanical tubing.
- There is an existing AD order on certain steel pipe from India. Therefore, the scope of the India AD investigation covers only merchandise manufactured and/or exported by Zenith Steel Pipes and Industries Ltd., and any successors-in-interest to that company, which is the only company excluded from the 1986 order known to exist.
- In 2010, imports of certain steel pipe from India, Oman, the UAE and Vietnam were valued at an estimated \$64.9 million, \$24.2 million, \$26.3 million and \$27.5 million, respectively.

NEXT STEPS

- The U.S. International Trade Commission (ITC) is scheduled to make its preliminary injury determination on or about December 12, 2011.
- If the ITC determines that there is a reasonable indication that imports from India, Oman, UAE, and/or Vietnam are materially injuring, or threatening material injury to, the domestic industry, the investigations will continue, and Commerce will be scheduled to make its CVD and AD preliminary determinations in January and April 2012, respectively.

Alleged Dumping Margins:

COUNTRY	MARGIN
India	22.88 to 48.43 percent
Oman	2.89 to 19.33 percent
UAE	6.23 to 11.71 percent
Vietnam	20.47 to 27.96 percent

Estimated Subsidy Rates:

COUNTRY	SUBSIDY RATE
India	Above <i>de minimis</i> *
Oman	Above <i>de minimis</i>
UAE	Above <i>de minimis</i>
Vietnam	Above <i>de minimis</i>

* *de minimis* = less than 1% for developed countries, less than 2% for developing countries.

CASE CALENDAR:

EVENT	AD INVESTIGATION	CVD INVESTIGATION
Petitions Filed	October 26, 2011	October 26, 2011
DOC Initiation Date	November 15, 2011	November 15, 2011
ITC Preliminary Determination*	December 12, 2011	December 12, 2011
DOC Preliminary Determinations**	April 3, 2012	January 19, 2012
DOC Final Determinations**	June 18, 2012	April 3, 2012
ITC Final Determination***	August 1, 2012	May 18, 2012
Issuance of Orders****	August 8, 2012	May 25, 2012

* If the ITC makes a negative preliminary determination of injury, the investigations are terminated.

**These deadlines may be extended under the governing statute.

***This will take place only in the event of final affirmative determinations from Commerce.

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IMPORT STATISTICS:

India	2008	2009	2010
Volume (in metric tons)	72,000	60,000	74,000
Value (USD)	80,202,000	57,949,000	64,872,000
Oman	2008	2009	2010
Volume (in metric tons)	22,000	17,000	31,000
Value (USD)	22,049,000	14,148,000	24,199,000
UAE	2008	2009	2010
Volume (in metric tons)	17,000	16,000	32,000
Value (USD)	18,832,000	13,561,000	26,273,000
Vietnam	2008	2009	2010
Volume (in metric tons)	27,000	20,000	32,000
Value (USD)	30,477,000	16,250,000	27,496,000

Source: U.S. Bureau of Census, accessed through Global Trade Atlas. (HTSUS 7306.19.1010, 7306.19.1050, 7306.19.5110, 7306.19.5150, 7306.30.1000, 7306.30.5025, 7306.30.5032, 7306.30.5040, 7306.30.5055, 7306.30.5085, 7306.30.5090, 7306.50.1000, 7306.50.5050, and 7306.50.5070). Some HTSUS subheadings include basket categories and may cover both subject and non-subject merchandise.