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**MEMORANDUM TO**: The File

THROUGH: Erin Begnal

Director, Office III

Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Operations

FROM: Kristen Johnson

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**RE:** Fifth Administrative Review of the Countervailing Duty Order on

Certain Softwood Lumber Products from Canada: Voluntary

Respondents

On March 14, 2023, the U.S. Department of Commerce (Commerce) initiated an administrative review of the countervailing duty order on certain softwood lumber products (softwood lumber) from Canada covering the period January 1, 2022, through December 31, 2022.

On April 19, 2023, we limited the number of respondents selected for individual examination to the two largest exporters/producers of softwood lumber from Canada during the review period, selecting Canfor Corporation and West Fraser Mills Ltd.<sup>2</sup> In the Respondent Selection Memorandum, we noted that Commerce received several requests for voluntary respondent treatment.<sup>3</sup> We stated that if any voluntary responses are submitted in accordance with the deadlines and other criteria set forth in section 782(a) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act) and 19 CFR 351.204(d), we would evaluate the circumstances during the course of the review to determine whether the individual examination of such companies would be unduly burdensome and inhibit the timely completion of the administrative review.<sup>4</sup>

Both J.D. Irving, Limited (JDIL) and Tolko Marketing and Sales Ltd. and Tolko Industries Ltd. (collectively, Tolko) requested to be selected as voluntary respondents<sup>5</sup> and timely filed

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See Initiation of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Administrative Reviews, 88 FR 15642 (March 14, 2023).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> See Memorandum "Respondent Selection," dated April 19, 2023 (Respondent Selection Memorandum).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> *Id.* at Attachment II.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> *Id*. at 15.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> See JDIL's Letter, "Request for Administrative Review and Request for Voluntary Respondent Treatment," dated January 1, 2023; see also Tolko's Letter, "Administrative Review Request & Request for Voluntary Respondent Treatment," dated January 1, 2023. For information on the filings, see Respondent Selection Memorandum at Attachment II.

company affiliation, non-stumpage, and stumpage questionnaire responses.<sup>6</sup> Thus, JDIL and Tolko complied with the requirements under section 782(a) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.204(d).

We determine that selecting voluntary respondents will not impose an undue burden upon Commerce or inhibit its ability to timely complete the 2022 administrative review. Thus, we are selecting JDIL and Tolko as voluntary respondents in this review.

If there are any questions, please contact Kristen Johnson at <u>Kristen.Johnson@trade.gov</u> or 202-482-4793.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> See JDIL's Letters, "Affiliated Companies Response," dated May 16, 2023; "Response to Part 1 (Non-Stumpage Programs) of Section III of the Questionnaire for Producers/Exporters," dated June 22, 2023; and "Response to Part 2 (Stumpage) of Section III of the Questionnaire for Producers/Exporters," dated June 29, 2023; see also Tolko's Letters, "Affiliated Party Submission," dated May 16, 2023; "Response to Part 1, Section III of the Department's May 2, 2023, Initial Questionnaire," dated June 22, 2023; and "Response to Part 2, Section III of the Department's May 2, 2023, Initial Questionnaire," dated June 29, 2023.