Countervailing Duty Expedited Review

Exporters, who were not individually examined in the countervailing duty (CVD) investigation, may request an Expedited Review to obtain their own company-specific countervailing duty cash deposit rate. An exporter must submit a request to the U.S. Department of Commerce for Expedited Review within 30 days following the publication of the CVD order in the U.S. Federal Register, unless the Department of Commerce issues different instructions.

A request must be accompanied by a certification that:

- The requester exported subject merchandise to the U.S. during the period of investigation.
- The requester is not affiliated with an exporter or producer that was individually examined in the CVD investigation. The U.S. Department of Commerce's definition of affiliation can be found in Section 771(33) of the Tariff Act of 1930.
- The requester has informed the Canadian government that the government will be required to provide a full response to the U.S. Department of Commerce's questionnaire. Exporters are advised to notify Global Affairs Canada (softwood.boisdoeuvre@international.gc.ca) as soon as they have decided to submit an Expedited Review request to the U.S. Department of Commerce.

The period of review will be the same as the period of investigation used in the CVD investigation, in this case, calendar year 2015.

Exporters can withdraw their requests for the Expedited Review no later than 60 days following the publication of notice of initiation for the requested review, unless the U.S. Department of Commerce sets a different deadline.

Exporters should be prepared to respond to full questionnaires from the U.S. Department of Commerce, including a verification audit, pertaining to all alleged subsidy programs and any other potential government assistance. There is also the potential for the petitioners to file new subsidy allegations that exporters would have to respond to.

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Exporters that are determined to have less than 1.0% CVD rate in the Expedited Review will be excluded from the CVD investigation.

Exporters who have requested an Expedited Review will continue to pay the “all others” rate from the original investigation until such a time that their company specific Expedited Review final determination is published. Exporters will then be required to pay cash deposits based on the individual CVD rates calculated in the final results of the Expedited Review. These individual CVD rates will be superseded by the “all others” CVD rate that will be calculated in the first Administrative Review.

There is no equivalent process for the Anti-Dumping (AD) proceedings and all companies will continue to be subject to the “all others” AD rate.

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