

Accordingly, Commerce will issue questionnaires to Hualing requesting, inter alia, information regarding its export activities for the purpose of determining whether it is eligible for a separate rate. The review of the exporter will proceed if the response provides sufficient indication that the exporter is not subject to either de jure or de facto government control with respect to its exports of wooden cabinets and vanities.

We intend to conduct this NSR in accordance with section 751(a)(2)(B) of the Act. 13 Because Hualing certified that it exported subject merchandise, the sale of which is the basis for its NSR request, Commerce will instruct CBP to continue to suspend liquidation of all entries of subject merchandise exported by Hualing. To assist in its analysis of the bona fide nature of Hualing's sale(s), upon initiation of this NSR, Commerce will require Hualing to submit, on an ongoing basis, complete transaction information concerning any sales of subject merchandise to the United States that were made subsequent to the

Interested parties requiring access to proprietary information in this NSR should submit applications for disclosure under administrative protective order in accordance with 19 CFR 351,305 and 351,306. This initiation notice is published in accordance with section 751(a)(2)(B) of the Act and 19 CFR 351,214 and 351,221(c)(1)(i).

Dated: November 25, 2020.

### James Maeder,

Deputy Assistant Secretary for Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Operations.

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#### **DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

### **International Trade Administration**

[C-122-858]

Certain Softwood Lumber Products From Canada: Final Results of the Countervailing Duty Administrative Review, 2017–2018

**AGENCY:** Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

Economy Countries," available at http://ia.ita.doc.gov/policy/bull05-l.pdf.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Commerce (Commerce) determines that producers and exporters of certain softwood lumber products (softwood lumber) from Canada received countervailable subsidies during the period of review, April 28, 2017 through December 31, 2018.

**DATES:** Applicable December 1, 2020. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Peter Zukowski (Canfor), Nicholas Czajkowski (JDIL), Kristen Johnson (Resolute), and Laura Griffith (West Fraser), AD/CVD Operations, Offices I and III, Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482–0189, (202) 482–1395, (202) 482–4793, and (202) 482–1167, respectively.

### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

## **Background**

Commerce published the *Preliminary Results* of this administrative review of softwood lumber from Canada on February 7, 2020.¹ For a summary of the events that occurred since the *Preliminary Results* and a full discussion of the issues raised by parties for the final results, *see* the Issues and Decision Memorandum.²

On April 24, 2020, Commerce tolled all deadlines in administrative reviews by 50 days.<sup>3</sup> On June 3, 2020, Commerce extended the deadline for the final results of this administrative review.<sup>4</sup> On July 21, 2020, Commerce tolled all

deadlines in administrative reviews by an additional 60 days.<sup>5</sup> The revised deadline for the final results of this administrative review is now November 23, 2020.

## Scope of the Order

The product covered by this order is certain softwood lumber products from Canada. For a complete description of the scope of the order, *see* the Issues and Decision Memorandum.

# Analysis of Subsidy Programs and Comments Received

Commerce conducted this CVD administrative review in accordance with section 751(a)(1)(A) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act). The subsidy programs under review, and the issues raised in case and rebuttal briefs submitted by the interested parties, are discussed in the Issues and Decision Memorandum. A list of the issues that the parties raised, and to which we responded in the Issues and Decision Memorandum, is attached to this notice at Appendix I. The Issues and Decision Memorandum is a public document and is on file electronically via Enforcement and Compliance's Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Centralized Electronic Service System (ACCESS). ACCESS is available to registered users at https://access.trade.gov. In addition, a complete version of the Issues and Decision Memorandum can be accessed directly at http://enforcement.trade.gov/ frn/index.html. The signed and electronic versions of the Issues and Decision Memorandum are identical in content.

Based on our analysis of the comments received from the interested parties, we made changes to the subsidy rates calculated for certain respondents. For a discussion of these changes, see the Issues and Decision Memorandum.

# Companies Not Selected for Individual Review

Because the rates calculated for the companies selected for individual reviewed are above *de minimis* and not based entirely on facts available, we applied a subsidy rate based on a weighted average of the subsidy rates calculated for the reviewed companies using sales data submitted by those companies to calculate a rate for the companies not selected for review. This is consistent with the methodology that we would use in an investigation to establish the all-others rate, pursuant to section 705(c)(5)(A) of the Act. A list of

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> The Act was amended by the Trade Facilitation and Trade Enforcement Act of 2015 which removed from section 751(a)(2)(B) of the Act the provision directing Commerce to instruct CBP to allow an importer the option of posting a bond or security in lieu of a cash deposit during the pendency of an NSR.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See Certain Softwood Lumber Products from Canada: Preliminary Results and Partial Rescission of the Countervailing Duty Administrative Review; 2017–2018, 85 FR 7273 (February 7, 2020) (Preliminary Results).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> See Memorandum, "Issues and Decision Memorandum for the Final Results of Administrative Review of the Countervailing Duty Order on Certain Softwood Lumber Products from Canada; 2017-2018," dated concurrently with, and hereby adopted by, this notice (Issues and Decision Memorandum). The Issues and Decision Memorandum is a public document and is on file electronically via Enforcement and Compliance's Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Centralized Electronic Service System (ACCESS). ACCESS is available to registered users at https:// access.trade.gov and is available to all parties in the Central Records Unit, room B8024 of the main Commerce building. In addition, a complete version of the Issues and Decision Memorandum can be accessed directly on the internet at http:// enforcement.trade.gov/frn/index.html. The signed and electronic versions of the Issues and Decision Memorandum are identical in content.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> See Memorandum, "Tolling of Deadlines for Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Administrative Reviews in Response to Operational Adjustments Due to COVID–19," dated April 24, 2020.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> See Memorandum, "Certain Softwood Lumber Products from Canada: Extension of Deadline for Final Results of the 2017–2018 Countervailing Duty Administrative Review," dated June 3, 2020.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> See Memorandum, "Tolling of Deadlines for Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Administrative Reviews," dated July 21, 2020.

all non-selected companies is included in Appendix II.

For further information on the calculation of the non-selected rate, *see* "Final *Ad Valorem* Rate for Non-

Selected Companies under Review" in the Issues and Decision Memorandum.

### **Final Results of Administrative Review**

In accordance with section 751(a)(1)(A) of the Act and 19 CFR

351.221(b)(5), we determine that the following total estimated countervailable subsidy rates exist for 2017 and 2018:

Companies	Subsidy rate 2017 ad valorem (%)	Subsidy rate 2018 ad valorem (%)
Canfor Corporation and its cross-owned affiliates 6	2.94	2.63
J.D. Irving, Limited and its cross-owned affiliates 7	3.43	2.66
Resolute FP Canada Inc. and its cross-owned affiliates 8	18.71	19.10
West Fraser Mills Ltd. and its cross-owned affiliates 9	6.76	7.57
Non-selected Companies	7.26	7.42

#### Disclosure

Commerce intends to disclose the calculations performed for these final results of review within five days of the date of publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**, in accordance with 19 CFR 351.244(b).

### **Assessment Rates**

In accordance with 19 CFR 351.212(b)(2), Commerce intends to issue appropriate assessment instructions to U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) 15 days after the date of publication of these final results in the **Federal Register** to liquidate shipments of subject merchandise entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption for the period on or after April 28, 2017 through December 31, 2017, and for the period on or after January 1, 2018 through December 31, 2018, for the above-listed companies at the *ad valorem* assessment rates listed.

### **Cash Deposit Requirements**

Commerce also intends to instruct CBP to collect cash deposits of estimated countervailing duties in the amount calculated for the year 2018 from the companies identified above, on shipments of subject merchandise entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after the date of publication of the final results in the Federal Register, as provided by section 751(a)(2)(C) of the Act. For all nonreviewed companies, we will instruct CBP to collect cash deposits of estimated countervailing duties at the most recent company-specific or allothers rate applicable to the company, as appropriate. Accordingly, the cash deposit rates that will be applied to the

companies covered by this order, but not examined in this review, are those established in the most recently completed segment of the proceeding for each company. These cash deposit requirements, when imposed, shall remain in effect until further notice.

# Notification Regarding Administrative Protective Order (APO)

This notice also serves as a reminder to parties subject to APO of their responsibility concerning the disposition of proprietary information disclosed under APO in accordance with 19 CFR 351.305(a)(3), which continues to govern business proprietary information in this segment of the proceeding. Timely written notification of the return or destruction of APO materials, or conversion to judicial protective order is hereby requested. Failure to comply with the regulations and the terms of an APO is a sanctionable violation.

### **Notification to Interested Parties**

These final results are issued and published in accordance with sections 751(a)(1) and 777(i)(1) of the Act, and 19 CFR 351.213 and 351.221(b)(5).

Dated: November 23, 2020.

### Joseph A. Laroski Jr.,

Deputy Assistant Secretary for Policy and Negotiations.

# Appendix I

# List of Topics Discussed in the Issues and Decision Memorandum

I. Summary
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VI. Subsidies Valuation

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VIII. Final *Ad Valorem* Rate for Non-Selected Companies Under Review

IX. Analysis of Comments

Comment 1: Whether Commerce Must Update the Regulations Implementing the NAFTA Prior To Issuance of the Final Results

Comment 2: Whether Commerce
Sufficiently Considered Expert Reports

Comment 3: Whether Commerce Applied Appropriate Standards for *De Facto* and *De Jure* Specificity

Comment 4: Whether Commerce Properly Required Respondents To Report "Other Assistance"

Comment 5: Whether the Purchase of Electricity Is a Purchase of a Good or Service

Comment 6: Attribution of Benefits From the Sale of Electricity

Comment 7: Applying the Benefit-to-the-Recipient Standard to the Purchase of Electricity for MTAR Programs

Comment 8: Whether Electricity Curtailment Programs Are Grants Comment 9: Revisions to Draft Customs

Instructions
Comment 10: Whether Commerce Should
Allocate Stumpage Benefits Over Total

Comment 11: Whether Commerce Should Calculate Negative Benefits in the Stumpage for LTAR and LER Programs

Comment 12: Whether the Alberta Stumpage Market Is Distorted

Comment 13: Whether TDA Survey Prices Are an Appropriate Benchmark for Alberta Crown-Origin Stumpage

Comment 14: Whether There Is a Useable Tier-One Benchmark in British Columbia

Comment 15: Whether Commerce Should Revise Its Selection of a U.S. PNW Delivered Log Benchmark Price

Comment 16: Whether Commerce Should Account for GBC's "Stand as a Whole" Pricing as a Significant "Prevailing Market Condition"

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Commerce finds the following companies to be cross-owned with Canfor Corporation: Canadian Forest Products, Ltd., and Canfor Wood Products Marketing, Ltd.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Commerce finds the following companies to be cross-owned with J.D. Irving, Limited: Miramichi Timber Holdings Limited, The New Brunswick

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup>Commerce finds the following companies to be cross-owned with Resolute: Resolute Growth Canada Inc., Produits Forestiers Maurice S.E.C., Abitibi-Bowater Canada Inc., Bowater Canadian Ltd., and Resolute Forest Products Inc.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup>Commerce finds the following companies to be cross-owned with West Fraser: West Fraser Timber Co. Ltd., West Fraser Alberta Holdings, Ltd., Blue Ridge Lumber Inc., Manning Forest Products, Ltd., Sunpine Inc., and Sundre Forest Products Inc.

- Comment 17: Whether Private Stumpage Prices in New Brunswick Should be Used as Tier-One Benchmarks
- Comment 18: Whether the Ontario Crown Timber Market Is Distorted
- Comment 19: Whether the Québec Timber Market Is Distorted
- Comment 20: Whether Commerce Should Account for Spruce Budworm Infestation Conditions That Affect Resolute's SDO Sawmill
- Comment 21: Whether Commerce Should Continue To Use a Beetle-Killed Benchmark Price for the Final Results
- Comment 22: Whether Commerce's Selection of a Log Volume Conversion Factor Was Appropriate
- Comment 23: Whether Commerce Should Adjust the BC Log Benchmark Price for Scaling and G&A Costs
- Comment 24: Whether Commerce Should Adjust for Tenure Security in British Columbia
- Comment 25: Whether Private-Origin Standing Timber in Nova Scotia Is Available in the Provinces at Issue
- Comment 26: Whether the Tree Size in Nova Scotia, as Measured by DBH, Is Comparable to Tree Size in Québec, Ontario, and Alberta
- Comment 27: Whether SPF Tree Species in Nova Scotia Are Comparable to SPF Tree Species in the Provinces at Issue
- Comment 28: Whether Nova Scotia's Forest Is Comparable to the Forests of New Brunswick, Québec, Ontario, and Alberta
- Comment 29: Reliability of Nova Scotia Private-Origin Standing Timber Benchmark
- Comment 30: Whether High Demand for Pulplogs in Nova Scotia Creates High Demand for Sawlogs Which Makes Market Conditions for Nova Scotia Sawlogs Incomparable to the Market Conditions of Sawlogs in Other Provinces
- Comment 31: Classification of Timber Purchases in Nova Scotia Compared to Québec, Ontario, and Alberta
- Comment 32: Conversion Factor Used in Nova Scotia Benchmark
- Comment 33: Whether Differences in Nova Scotia's Harvest and Haulage Costs Impact Its Comparability or Require an Adjustment
- Comment 34: Whether Commerce Should Adjust the Nova Scotia Benchmark for Differences in Logging Camp Costs
- Comment 35: Whether Commerce Should Revise the Indexing Method Employed in the Derivation of the Nova Scotia Benchmark
- Comment 36: Whether Commerce Should Revise the Nova Scotia Benchmark To Account for Regional Differences
- Comment 37: Whether To Add a C\$3.00/ m3 Silviculture Fee to the Nova Scotia Benchmark
- Comment 38: Whether Fuelwood Should Be Included in the Stumpage Benefit Calculation
- Comment 39: Whether Commerce Should Account for JDIL's Treelength Purchases in the Stumpage Benefit Calculation
- Comment 40: Whether Commerce Should Revise the Product Comparisons Used in

- the Stumpage Benefit Calculation To Account for Log Quality
- Comment 41: Whether Commerce Should Revise the Price Comparisons Used in the Stumpage Benefit Calculation Involving Crown-Origin Standing Timber in Québec, Ontario, and Alberta
- Comment 42: Whether Commerce Should Use Log Price Data From the HC Haynes Survey as the Basis for the Nova Scotia Standing Timber Benchmark
- Comment 43: Whether Commerce Should Make Adjustments to Stumpage Rates Paid by the Respondents To Account for "Total Remuneration" in Alberta, New Brunswick, Ontario, and Québec
- Comment 44: Whether Commerce Should Find Restrictions on Log Exports in Alberta, New Brunswick, Ontario, and Québec To Be Countervailable Subsidies
- Comment 45: Whether the LER in British Columbia Results in a Financial Contribution
- Comment 46: Whether the Log Export Restraint Has an Impact in British Columbia
- Comment 47: Whether the U.S. Log Benchmark Is a World Market Price Available in British Columbia
- Comment 48: Whether AESO Electricity Purchases for MTAR Are Countervailable Comment 49: Whether BC Hydro EPAs Are
- Countervailable
  Comment 50: Whether Commerce Applied
  the Correct Benchmark To Calculate the
  Benefit Under BC Hydro EPAs
- Comment 51: Whether Commerce's Specificity and Benchmark Analyses for the Ontario and Québec Electricity MTAR Programs Were Arbitrary
- Comment 52: Whether Commerce Applied the Correct Benchmark To Calculate the Benefit Under the IESO CHP III
- Comment 53: Whether Ontario's IESO CHP III Is Specific
- Comment 54: Whether Commerce Correctly Attributed Benefits Under the IESO CHP III Program
- Comment 55: Whether Commerce Applied the Correct Benchmark To Calculate the Benefit Under the PAE 2011–01 Program
- Comment 56: Whether Hydro-Québec's PAE 2011–01 Program Is Specific
- Comment 57: Whether Commerce Correctly Attributed Benefits Under the PAE 2011– 01
- Comment 58: Whether the BC ETG/ Canada—BC Job Grant Is Specific
- Comment 59: Whether Funds West Fraser Received for a Lignin Plant Through the SDTC, IFIT, and ABF Programs Are Tied to Non-Subject Merchandise
- Comment 60: Whether the Bioenergy Producer Program Is Countervailable
- Comment 61: Whether Payments for Aerial Inventory Photography and LiDar Are Countervailable
- Comment 62: Whether FRPA Section 108 Payments to Canfor Are Countervailable
- Comment 63: Whether the Purchase of Carbon Offsets From Canfor Is Countervailable
- Comment 64: Whether the Miscellaneous Payment From BC Hydro to West Fraser Is Countervailable

- Comment 65: Whether the BC Hydro Power Smart Subprograms Provide a Financial Contribution and Are Specific
- Comment 66: Whether Payments for Cruising and Block Layout Provide a Financial Contribution
- Comment 67: Whether Payments for Fire Suppression Are Countervailable
- Comment 68: Whether the FESBC Payment Is a Countervailable Subsidy
- Comment 69: Whether Commerce Should Continue To Find the Silviculture and License Management Programs Countervailable
- Comment 70: Whether Commerce Should Find the Workforce Expansion Programs To Be Countervailable or Specific
- Comment 71: Whether Ontario's Forest Roads Funding Program Is Countervailable
- Comment 72: Whether Ontario's TargetGHG Is Specific
- Comment 73: Whether Ontario's IESO Demand Response Is Countervailable
- Comment 74: Whether Ontario's IEI Program Is Specific
- Comment 75: Whether Québec's PCIP Confers a Benefit
- Comment 76: Whether Québec's Paix des Braves Confers a Benefit
- Comment 77: Whether Québec's MCRP Confers a Benefit
- Comment 78: Whether Québec's Investment Program in Public Forests Affected by Natural or Anthropogenic Disturbances Confers a Benefit
- Comment 79: Whether Québec's PIB Is Countervailable
- Comment 80: Whether Québec's ÉcoPerformance Is Countervailable
- Comment 81: Whether Québec's FDRCMO and MFOR Are Specific
- Comment 82: Whether Québec's FDRCMO and MFOR Are Recurring
- Comment 83: Whether Hydro-Québec's GDP New Demand-Side Management Program Is Specific and Conferred a Benefit
- Comment 84: Whether Hydro-Québec's IEO Is Specific and Conferred a Benefit
- Comment 85: Whether Hydro-Québec's Electricity Discount Program for Rate L Customers Is Countervailable
- Comment 86: Whether Hydro-Québec's ISEE Is Countervailable
- Comment 87: Whether Hydro-Québec's Special L Rate Is Tied to Pulp and Paper Production
- Comment 88: Whether Hydro-Québec's Special L Rate Conferred a Benefit
- Comment 89: Whether the Federal and Provincial SR&ED Tax Credits Are Specific
- Comment 90: Whether the FLTC and PLTC Are Countervailable
- Comment 91: Whether the Refund for the BC Logging Tax in 2017 Related to Prior Years Is Countervailable
- Comment 92: Whether the ACCA Is *De Jure* Specific
- Comment 93: Whether Commerce Was Correct To Treat the Both the ACCA and Class 1 Additional CCA as Individual Programs
- Comment 94: Whether the AJCTC Is Specific

- Comment 95: Whether the Class 1 Additional CCA Program Is Specific
- Comment 96: Whether the Class 1 Additional CCA Program Provides a Benefit
- Comment 97: Whether Alberta's TEFU and British Columbia's Coloured Fuel Programs Are Countervailable
- Comment 98: Whether Schedule D Depreciation Constitutes a Financial Contribution and Confers a Benefit
- Comment 99: Whether Schedule D Depreciation Is Specific
- Comment 100: Whether the IPTC Is Countervailable
- Comment 101: Whether the BC Training Tax Credit Is Specific
- Comment 102: Whether Class 9 Farm Property Assessment Rates Are Specific Comment 103: Whether New Brunswick's
- Property Tax Incentives for Private Forest Producers Is Countervailable
- Comment 104: Whether Commerce Correctly Calculated the Benchmark for New Brunswick's Property Tax Incentives for Private Forest Producers Program
- Comment 105: Whether Commerce Omitted JDIL's Program Rate for the Total Capital Cost Allowance for Class 1 Acquisitions Program From JDIL's Total Net Subsidy Rate for 2018
- Comment 106: Whether Commerce Should Find LIREPP Countervailable
- Comment 107: Whether the Gasoline and Fuel Tax Program Provides a Financial Contribution in the Form of Revenue Forgone or Can Be Found Specific
- Comment 108: Whether the OTCMP Is Specific
- Comment 109: Whether Québec's Credits for the Construction and Major Repair of Public Access Roads and Bridges in Forest Areas Confer a Benefit
- Comment 110: Whether Québec's Refund of Fuel Tax Paid on Fuel Used for Stationary Purposes Is Specific
- Comment 111: Whether Québec's Property Tax Refund for Forest Producers on Private Woodlands Confers a Countervailable Benefit
- Comment 112: Whether Québec's Tax Credit for Fees and Dues Paid To Research Consortium Is Specific
- Comment 113: Whether Benefits of Unaffiliated Suppliers Should Be Cumulated With Canfor's Benefit and Whether Canfor's U.S. Sales of Subject Merchandise Produced by Unaffiliated Suppliers Should Be Included in the Denominator of Canfor's Subsidy Rate Calculation
- Comment 114: Whether Commerce Should Include Sales by Cross-Owned Producers of Downstream Products in JDIL's Sales Denominator When Calculating Countervailable Subsidy Rates
- Comment 115: Whether Countervailing Road Credit Reimbursements Imposes a Double Remedy
- Comment 116: Whether the Contracts Between Resolute and Rexforêt Confer a Benefit
- Comment 117: Whether the Benefit of SR&ED Tax Credits Claimed by Resolute Was Extinguished When AbitibiBowater Emerged From Bankruptcy

- Comment 118: GOO's Debt Forgiveness of Resolute's Fort Frances Mill
- Comment 119: Whether Commerce Should Correct a Clerical Error in Resolute's LER Benefit Calculation
- X. Recommendation

## Appendix II

### Non-Selected Exporters/Producers

- 1074712 BC Ltd.
- 5214875 Manitoba Ltd.
- 752615 B.C Ltd, Fraserview Remanufacturing Inc, dba Fraserview Cedar Products.
- 9224-5737 Québec inc. (aka A.G. Bois)
- A.B. Cedar Shingle Inc.
- Absolute Lumber Products, Ltd.
- AJ Forest Products Ltd.
- Alberta Spruce Industries Ltd.
- Aler Forest Products, Ltd.
- Alpa Lumber Mills Inc.
- American Pacific Wood Products
- Anbrook Industries Ltd.
- Andersen Pacific Forest Products Ltd.
- Anglo American Cedar Products Ltd.
- Anglo-American Cedar Products, LTD.
- Antrim Cedar Corporation
- Aquila Cedar Products, Ltd.
- Arbec Lumber Inc.
- Aspen Planers Ltd.
- B&L Forest Products Ltd
- B.B. Pallets Inc.
- Babine Forest Products Limited
- Bakerview Forest Products Inc.
- · Bardobec Inc.
- BarretteWood Inc.
- Barrette-Chapais Ltee
- Benoît & Dionne Produits Forestiers Ltee
- Best Quality Cedar Products Ltd.
- Blanchet Multi Concept Inc.
- Blanchette & Blanchette Inc.
- Bois Aise de Montreal inc.
- Bois Bonsai inc.
- · Bois Daaquam inc.
- Bois D'oeuvre Cedrico Inc. (aka Cedrico Lumber Inc.)
- $\bullet\,$  Bois et Solutions Marketing SPEC, Inc.
- Boisaco
- Boscus Canada Inc.
- BPWood Ltd.
- Bramwood Forest Inc.
- Brunswick Valley Lumber Inc.
- Busque & Laflamme Inc.
- C&C Wood Products Ltd.
- Caledonia Forest Products Inc.
- · Campbell River Shake & Shingle Co., Ltd.
- Canadian American Forest Products Ltd.
- Canadian Wood Products Inc.
- Canusa cedar inc.
- Canyon Lumber Company, Ltd.
- Careau Bois inc.
- Carrier & Begin Inc.
- Carrier Forest Products Ltd.
- Carrier Lumber Ltd.
- Cedar Valley Holdings Ltd.
- Cedarline Industries, Ltd.
- Central Cedar Ltd.
- Centurion Lumber, Ltd.
- Clair Industrial Development Corp. Ltd.
- Chaleur Sawmills LP
- Channel-ex Trading Corporation
- Clermond Hamel Ltee
- Coast Clear Wood Ltd.
- Coast Mountain Cedar Products Ltd.
- Commonwealth Plywood Co. Ltd.
- Comox Valley Shakes Ltd.

- Conifex Fibre Marketing Inc.
- Cowichan Lumber Ltd.
- CS Manufacturing Inc., dba Cedarshed
- CWP—Industriel inc.
- CWP—Montreal inc.
- D & D Pallets, Ltd.
- Dakeryn Industries Ltd.
- Decker Lake Forest Products Ltd.
- Delco Forest Products Ltd.
- Delta Cedar Specialties Ltd.
- Devon Lumber Co. Ltd.
- DH Manufacturing Inc.
- Direct Cedar Supplies Ltd.Doubletree Forest Products Ltd.
- Downie Timber Ltd.
- Dunkley Lumber Ltd.
- EACOM Timber Corporation
- East Fraser Fiber Co. Ltd.
- Edgewood Forest Products Inc.
- ER Probyn Export Ltd.
- Eric Goguen & Sons Ltd.
- Falcon Lumber Ltd.
- Foothills Forest Products Inc.
- Fornebu Lumber Co. Ltd.
- Fraser Specialty Products Ltd.
- Fraserview Cedar Products
- Furtado Forest Products Ltd.
- G & R Cedar Ltd.
- Galloway Lumber Company Ltd.
- Gilbert Smith Forest Products Ltd.
- Glandell Enterprises Inc.
- Goat Lake Forest Products Ltd.
- Goldband Shake & Shingle Ltd.
- Golden Ears Shingle Ltd.
- Goldwood Industries Ltd.
- Goodfellow Inc.Gorman Bros. Lumber Ltd.
- Groupe Crete Chertsey
- Groupe Crete division St-Faustin
- Groupe Crete divi
   Groupe Lebel inc.
- Groupe Lignarex inc.
- H.J. Crabbe & Sons Ltd.
- Haida Forest Products Ltd.
- Harry Freeman & Son Ltd.
- Hornepayne Lumber LPImperial Cedar Products, Ltd.
- Imperial Cedar Products
   Imperial Shake Co. Ltd.
- Imperial Stake Co. Ltd.
   Independent Building Materials Dist.
- Interfor Corporation
- Island Cedar Products Ltd
- Ivor Forest Products Ltd.
- J&G Log Works Ltd.
- J&G Log Works Lt
   J.H. Huscroft Ltd.
- Jan Woodland (2001) inc.
- Ihaji Lumber Corporation
- Kalesnikoff Lumber Co. Ltd.
- Kan Wood, Ltd.
- Kebois Ltee/Ltd
- Keystone Timber Ltd.
- Kootenay Innovative Wood Ltd.L'Atelier de Readaptation au travil de
- Beauce Inc.
- Lafontaine Lumber Inc.
- Langevin Forest Products Inc.Lecours Lumber Co. Limited
- Ledwidge Lumber Co. Ltd.Leisure Lumber Ltd.
- Les Bois d'oeuvre Beaudoin Gauthier inc.
- Les Bois d oeuvre Beaud
   Les Bois Martek Lumber
- Les Bois Traites M.G. Inc.
- Les Bois Traites M.G. Inc.
   Les Chantiers de Chibougamau ltd.
- Leslie Forest Products Ltd.Lignum Forest Products LLP
- Linwood Homes Ltd.
- Longlac Lumber Inc.Lulumco inc.
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- Magnum Forest Products, Ltd.
- Maibec inc.
- Manitou Forest Products Ltd.
- Marwood Ltd.
- Materiaux Blanchet Inc.
- Matsqui Management and Consulting Services Ltd., dba Canadian Cedar Roofing Depot
- Metrie Canada Ltd.
- Mid Valley Lumber Specialties, Ltd.
- Midway Lumber Mills Ltd.
- Mill & Timber Products Ltd.
- Millar Western Forest Products Ltd.
- MP Atlantic Wood Ltd.
- Multicedre ltee
- Nakina Lumber Inc.
- National Forest Products Ltd.
- New Future Lumber Ltd.
- Nicholson and Cates Ltd
- Norsask Forest Products Limited Partnership
- North American Forest Products Ltd.<sup>10</sup>
- North Enderby Timber Ltd.
- Olympic Industries, Inc./Olympic Industries Inc-Reman Code/Olympic Industries ULC/Olympic Industries ULC-Reman/Olympic Industries ULC-Reman Code
- Pacific Coast Cedar Products Ltd.
- Pacific Pallet, Ltd.
- Pacific Western Wood Works Ltd.
- Parallel Wood Products Ltd.
- Pat Power Forest Products Corporation
- Phoenix Forest Products Inc.
- Pine Ideas Ltd.
- Pioneer Pallet & Lumber Ltd
- Porcupine Wood Products Ltd.
- Power Wood Corp.
- Precision Cedar Products Corp.
- Prendiville Industries Ltd. (aka Kenora Forest Products)
- Produits Forestiers Mauricie
- Produits Forestiers Petit Paris
- Produits forestiers Temrex, s.e.c.
- Produits Matra Inc. and Sechoirs de Beauce Inc.11
- Promobois G.D.S. inc.
- Rayonier A.M. Canada GP
- Rembos Inc.
- Rene Bernard Inc.
- Richard Lutes Cedar Inc.
- Rielly Industrial Lumber Inc.
- S & K Cedar Products Ltd.
- S&R Sawmills Ltd
- S&W Forest Products Ltd.
- San Industries Ltd.
- Sawarne Lumber Co. Ltd.
- Scierie St-Michel inc.
- Scierie West Brome Inc.
- Scotsburn Lumber Co. Ltd.
- Serpentine Cedar Ltd. Serpentine Cedar Roofing Ltd.
- Sexton Lumber Co. Ltd.
- Sigurdson Forest Products Ltd.
- Silvaris Corporation
- 10 North American Forest Products Ltd. is located in Abbotsford, British Columbia. Imports of softwood lumber produced and exported by North American Forest Products Ltd. of Saint-Ouentin. New Brunswick, which is a separate entity, have been excluded from the CVD order.
- <sup>11</sup> In the Expedited Review, Commerce found these companies to be cross-owned. See Certain Softwood Lumber Products from Canada: Final Results of Countervailing Duty Expedited Review, 84 FR 32121, 32122 (July 5, 2019).

- Silver Creek Premium Products Ltd.
- Sinclar Group Forest Products Ltd.
- Skana Forest Products Ltd.
- Skeena Sawmills Ltd
- Sound Spars Enterprise Ltd.
- South Beach Trading Inc.
- Specialiste du Bardeau de Cedre Inc
- Spruceland Millworks Inc.
- Surrey Cedar Ltd.
- T.G. Wood Products, Ltd
- Taan Forest Products
- Taiga Building Products Ltd.
- Tall Tree Lumber Company
- Teal Cedar Products Ltd.
- Tembec Inc.
- Terminal Forest Products Ltd.
- The Teal-Jones Group
- The Wood Source Inc.
- Tolko Marketing and Sales Ltd. 12
- Trans-Pacific Trading Ltd.
- Triad Forest Products Ltd.
- Twin Rivers Paper Co. Inc.
- Tyee Timber Products Ltd.
- Universal Lumber Sales Ltd.
- Usine Sartigan Inc.
- Vaagen Fibre Canada, ULC
- Valley Cedar 2 ULC
- Vancouver Island Shingle, Ltd.
- Vancouver Specialty Cedar Products Ltd.
- Visscher Lumber Inc
- W.I. Woodtone Industries Inc.
- Waldun Forest Product Sales Ltd.
- Waldun Forest Products Ltd.
- Watkins Sawmills Ltd.
- West Bay Forest Products Ltd.
- West Wind Hardwood Inc.
- Western Forest Products Inc.
- Western Lumber Sales Limited
- Western Wood Preservers Ltd.
- Weston Forest Products Inc. Westrend Exteriors Inc.
- Weyerhaeuser Co.
- White River Forest Products L.P.
- Winton Homes Ltd.
- Woodline Forest Products Ltd.
- Woodstock Forest Products
- Woodtone Specialties Inc.
- Yarrow Wood Ltd.

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### **DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

# **International Trade Administration**

[C-570-132]

Twist Ties From the People's Republic of China: Preliminary Affirmative **Countervailing Duty Determination and** Alignment of Final Determination With **Final Antidumping Duty Determination** 

**AGENCY:** Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Commerce (Commerce) preliminarily determines that countervailable subsidies are being provided to producers and exporters of twist ties from the People's Republic of China (China). The period of investigation is January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2019. Interested parties are invited to comment on this preliminary determination.

**DATES:** Applicable December 1, 2020.

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#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

# Background

This preliminary determination is made in accordance with section 703(b) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act). Commerce initiated this investigation on July 16, 2020.1 On September 1, 2020, Commerce postponed the preliminary determination of this investigation and the revised deadline is November 23, 2020.2 For a complete description of events following the initiation of this investigation, see the Preliminary Decision Memorandum.<sup>3</sup> A list of topics discussed in the Preliminary Decision Memorandum is included as Appendix II to this notice. The Preliminary Decision Memorandum is a public document and is on file electronically via Enforcement and Compliance's Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Centralized Electronic Service System (ACCESS). ACCESS is available to registered users at http:// access.trade.gov. In addition, a complete version of the Preliminary Decision Memorandum can be accessed directly at http://enforcement.trade.gov/frn/. The signed and electronic versions of the Preliminary Decision Memorandum are identical in content.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> In the underlying investigation, Commerce found the following companies to be cross-owned with Tolko Marketing and Sales Ltd.: Tolko Industries Ltd. and Meadow Lake OSB Limited Partnership. See Certain Softwood Lumber Products from Canada: Final Affirmative Countervailing Duty Determination, and Final Negative Determination of Critical Circumstances, 82 FR 51814, 51816 (November 8, 2017).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See Twist Ties from the People's Republic of China: Initiation of Countervailing Duty Investigation, 85 FR 45188 (July 27, 2020) (Initiation Notice)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> See Twist Ties from the People's Republic of China: Postponement of Preliminary Determination of Antidumping Duty Investigation, 85 FR 54352 (September 1, 2020).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> See Memorandum, "Decision Memorandum for the Affirmative Preliminary Determination of the Countervailing Duty Investigation of Twist Ties from the People's Republic of China," dated concurrently with, and hereby adopted by, this notice (Preliminary Decision Memorandum).