

149, requesting special-purpose subzone status for the oil refinery complex of Phillips Petroleum Company, located at sites in Brazoria County, Texas. The application was submitted pursuant to the provisions of the Foreign-Trade Zones Act, as amended (19 U.S.C. 81a-81u), and the regulations of the Board (15 CFR part 400). It was formally filed on January 2, 1997.

The refinery complex (2,095 acres, 1,300 employees) consists of 5 sites and connecting pipelines in Brazoria County, Texas: *Site 1* (1315 acres)—main refinery and petrochemical complex (200,000 BPD) located at Texas State Highway 35 at Farm Market Road 524, south of Sweeney; *Site 2* (160 acres)—Freeport I Terminal and storage facility (1.6 million barrel storage capacity) located at County Road 731, some 28 miles southeast of the refinery; *Site 3* (183 acres)—six crude oil storage tanks (2.4 million barrel capacity) at Jones Creek Terminal, located at 6215 State Highway 36, some 17 miles southeast of the refinery; *Site 4* (34 acres)—San Bernard Terminal and storage facility (207,000 barrel capacity), located at County Road 378, 5 miles southeast of the refinery; *Site 5* (403 acres)—Clemens Terminal underground LPG storage (12.8 million barrel capacity), located at County Road 314, 15 miles east of the refinery.

The refinery is used to produce fuels and petrochemical feedstocks. Fuels produced include gasoline, jet fuel, distillates, residual fuels and naphthas. Petrochemical feedstocks and refinery by-products include methane, ethane, propane, propylene, ethylene, butylene, butadiene, butane, benzene, toluene, xylene, carbon black oil and sulfur. Some 95 percent of the crude oil (60 percent of inputs), and some feedstocks and motor fuel blendstocks are sourced abroad.

Zone procedures would exempt the refinery from Customs duty payments on the foreign products used in its exports. On domestic sales, the company would be able to choose the finished product duty rate (nonprivileged foreign status—NPF) on certain petrochemical feedstocks and refinery by-products (duty-free) instead of the duty rates that would otherwise apply to the foreign-sourced crude oil. The duty rates on crude oil range from 5.25¢/barrel to 10.5¢/barrel. Under the FTZ Act, certain merchandise in FTZ status is exempt from ad valorem inventory-type taxes. The application indicates that the savings from zone procedures would help improve the refinery's international competitiveness.

In accordance with the Board's regulations, a member of the FTZ Staff

has been designated examiner to investigate the application and report to the Board.

Public comment is invited from interested parties. Submissions (original and 3 copies) shall be addressed to the Board's Executive Secretary at the address below. The closing period for their receipt is March 18, 1997. Rebuttal comments in response to material submitted during the foregoing period may be submitted during the subsequent 15-day period (to April 2 1997).

A copy of the application and accompanying exhibits will be available for public inspection at each of the following locations:

U.S. Department of Commerce Export Assistance Center, Suite 1160, 500 Dallas, Houston, Texas 77002
Office of the Executive Secretary, Foreign-Trade Zones Board, Room 3716, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th & Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230

Dated: January 7, 1997.

John J. Da Ponte, Jr.,
Executive Secretary.

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International Trade Administration

Initiation of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Administrative Reviews and Requests for Revocation in Part

AGENCY: Import Administration, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of Initiation of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Administrative Reviews and Requests for Revocation in Part.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce (the Department) has received requests to conduct administrative reviews of various antidumping and countervailing duty orders and findings with December anniversary dates. In accordance with the Department's regulations, we are initiating those administrative reviews. The Department also received requests to revoke one antidumping finding and one antidumping duty order in part.

EFFECTIVE DATE: January 17, 1997.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Holly A. Kuga, Office of Antidumping Compliance, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230, telephone: (202) 482-4737.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

The Department has received timely requests, in accordance with 19 CFR 353.22(a) and 355.22(a) (1994), for administrative reviews of various antidumping and countervailing duty orders and findings with December anniversary dates. The Department also received timely requests to revoke in part the antidumping finding on elemental sulphur from Canada and the antidumping duty order on certain welded stainless steel pipe from Taiwan.

Initiation of Reviews

In accordance with sections 19 CFR 353.22(c) and 355.22(c), we are initiating administrative reviews of the following antidumping and countervailing duty orders and findings. The Department is not initiating an administrative review of any exporters and/or producers who were not named in a review request because such exporters and/or producers were not specified as required under section 353.22(a) (19 CFR 353.22(a)). We intend to issue the final results of these reviews not later than December 31, 1997.

	Period to be reviewed
Antidumping Duty Proceedings	
CANADA: Elemental Sulphur A-122-047	12/1/95- 11/30/96
Mobile Oil Canada, Ltd. JAPAN: Light Scattering Instruments ¹ A-588-813	11/1/95- 10/31/96
Otsuka Electronics JAPAN: Polychloroprene Rubber A-588-046	12/1/95- 11/30/96
Denki Kaguyo, K.K. Denki/Hoei Sangyo Co., Ltd. Mitsui Bussan, K.K. Showa Neoprene, K.K. Showa/Hoei Sangyo Co., Ltd. Suzugo Corporation Tosoh Corporation (formerly Toyo Soda) Tosoh/Hoeii Sangyo Co., Ltd. MEXICO: Porcelain-on-Steel Cookware A-201-504	12/1/95- 11/30/96
Cinsa, S.A. de C.V. Esmaltaciones de Norte America, S.A. de C.V. TAIWAN: Welded Stainless Steel Pipes A-583-815	12/1/95- 11/30/96
Ta Chen Stainless Steel Pipe Co., Ltd.	

