

Antidumping and Countervailing Duties

(AD/CVD) Update January / February 2017

FISCAL YEAR 2017 IS OFF TO A BUSY START

During the first quarter of fiscal year 2017 (October 1 to December 31, 2016), the Department of Commerce (Commerce) issued 11 new AD/CVD Orders and initiated 16 new AD/CVD investigations.

The new orders covered hot-rolled carbon steel flat products from Australia, Brazil, Japan, Korea, Turkey, United Kingdom and Netherlands, as well as welded stainless pressure pipe from India.

A few examples of the AD/CVD investigations initiated in the first quarter of fiscal year 2017 include: hardwood plywood from China, stainless steel wire rod from India, softwood lumber from Canada, certain welded stainless steel pipe from Korea and Taiwan, and cut-to-length carbon-quality steel plate from India, Indonesia and Korea.

For more information regarding the above listed investigations, visit the U.S. International Trade Commission website at:

https://www.usitc.gov/trade remedy/731 ad 701 cvd/investigations.htm

FILING AD/CVD ENTRIES WITH NEW 2017 HARMONIZED TARIFF SCHEDULE (HTS) NUMBERS

ACE will now allow the use of an AD/CVD case number on an entry/entry summary line even when the corresponding HTS number is not yet listed in the ACE case reference file for that AD/CVD case. This was addressed in Cargo Systems Messaging Service (CSMS) #16-000466 dated June 7, 2016.

If brokers receive an error messages back from their own software, they should contact the software vendor to address any restrictions that may be preventing the proper filing of an AD/CVD entry/entry summary. Also research the ACE CATAIR Error Dictionary for the meaning of ACE error code(s) and determine whether they are fatal or informational in nature. The ACE CATAIR Error Dictionary:

https://www.cbp.gov/document/guidance/ace-catair-error-dictionary

PUBLIC VERSION OF CONGRESSIONAL REPORT POSTED TO CBP.GOV

The public version of the "Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Enforcement Actions and Compliance Initiatives: FY 2015" report to Congress was posted to CBP.gov on January 23, 2017. Click here to view the report.

CBP Publication # 0619-0317

A UPDATE REGARDING SCOPE RULINGS

On January 6, 2017, CBP posted, "Update on U.S. Department of Commerce Scope Rulings on Wooden Bedroom Furniture Chests and CSMS #15-000103" to CBP.gov. Click here to read updated guidance.

ACE AD/CVD COMPANY CASE STATUS DEFINITIONS POSTED TO CBP.GOV

On February 3, 2017, CBP posted an AD/CVD guidance document on definitions of certain fields in the ACE AD/CVD case management portal. CBP worked with the Department of Commerce and the AD/CVD working group of the Commercial Operations Advisory Committee (COAC) to draft the document. This document will assist customs brokers and importers on how to correctly file AD/CVD entries.

Click here to view the ACE AD/CVD Company Case Status Definitions

FISCAL YEAR 2017 STEEL IDENTIFICATION, CLASSIFICATION AND TRADE LAW SEMINAR SCHEDULE ANNOUNCED

During fiscal year 2017, CBP will conduct several steel seminars in conjunction with the U.S. Domestic Steel Industry. This program is designed for customs brokers, importers and other members of the trade community handling imported steel, as well as CBP officials and other U.S. government officials interested in steel enforcement. The seminars are FREE, and are not geographically restricted, so attendance from locations outside the general region is encouraged. Early registration is highly recommended as space is limited. Contact the appropriate port of entry point of contact listed in the Public Information Notices for further details.

Location	Week of
Houston, TX	February 27, 2017
Mobile, AL	March 27, 2017
Chicago, IL	May 15, 2017
Newark, NJ	June 19, 2017
Seattle WA	August 21 2017

<u>Public Information Notice - Houston, TX</u> Invitation and Registration Form – Houston, TX

<u>Public Information Notice - Mobile, AL</u> <u>Invitation and Registration Form – Mobile, AL</u>

For more information please visit us at: https://www.cbp.gov/trade/priority-issues/adcvd

If you have knowledge of a violation of U.S. trade laws, please report it by filing an e-Allegation at: https://apps.cbp.gov/eallegations