

U.S. Customs and Border Protection

CBP Decisions

(CBP Dec. 08–33)

FOREIGN CURRENCIES

DAILY RATES FOR COUNTRIES NOT ON QUARTERLY LIST FOR APRIL, 2008

The Federal Reserve Bank of New York, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 5151, has certified buying rates for the dates and foreign currencies shown below. The rates of exchange, based on these buying rates, are published for the information and use of Customs officers and others concerned pursuant to Part 159, Subpart C, Customs Regulations (19 CFR 159, Subpart C).

Holiday(s): none

European Union euro:

April 1, 2008	1.561500
April 2, 2008	1.561800
April 3, 2008	1.566700
April 4, 2008	1.573500
April 5, 2008	1.573500
April 6, 2008	1.573500
April 7, 2008	1.571300
April 8, 2008	1.570500
April 9, 2008	1.580400
April 10, 2008	1.574400
April 11, 2008	1.579600
April 12, 2008	1.579600
April 13, 2008	1.579600
April 14, 2008	1.582700
April 15, 2008	1.580100
April 16, 2008	1.597800
April 17, 2008	1.592400
April 18, 2008	1.574200
April 19, 2008	1.574200
April 20, 2008	1.574200
April 21, 2008	1.588100
April 22, 2008	1.601000
April 23, 2008	1.589800
April 24, 2008	1.566800
April 25, 2008	1.563400

FOREIGN CURRENCIES—Daily rates for Countries not on quarterly list for April 2008 (continued):

European Union euro: (continued):

April 26, 2008	1.563400
April 27, 2008	1.563400
April 28, 2008	1.564800
April 29, 2008	1.560400
April 30, 2008	1.556800

South Korea won:

April 1, 2008	0.001021
April 2, 2008	0.001025
April 3, 2008	0.001023
April 4, 2008	0.001027
April 5, 2008	0.001027
April 6, 2008	0.001027
April 7, 2008	0.001026
April 8, 2008	0.001025
April 9, 2008	0.001025
April 10, 2008	0.001026
April 11, 2008	0.001025
April 12, 2008	0.001025
April 13, 2008	0.001025
April 14, 2008	0.001021
April 15, 2008	0.001009
April 16, 2008	0.001011
April 17, 2008	0.001008
April 18, 2008	0.001000
April 19, 2008	0.001000
April 20, 2008	0.001000
April 21, 2008	0.001003
April 22, 2008	0.001003
April 23, 2008	0.001009
April 24, 2008	0.001004
April 25, 2008	0.001006
April 26, 2008	0.001006
April 27, 2008	0.001006
April 28, 2008	0.001004
April 29, 2008	0.000998
April 30, 2008	0.000995

Taiwan N.T. dollar:

April 1, 2008	0.033003
April 2, 2008	0.032927
April 3, 2008	0.032884
April 4, 2008	0.032884
April 5, 2008	0.032884
April 6, 2008	0.032884
April 7, 2008	0.032884
April 8, 2008	0.032765
April 9, 2008	0.032841
April 10, 2008	0.033003

FOREIGN CURRENCIES—Daily rates for Countries not on quarterly list for April 2008 (continued):

Taiwan N.T. dollar: (continued):

April 11, 2008	0.033014
April 12, 2008	0.033014
April 13, 2008	0.033014
April 14, 2008	0.032992
April 15, 2008	0.033058
April 16, 2008	0.033069
April 17, 2008	0.033014
April 18, 2008	0.032884
April 19, 2008	0.032884
April 20, 2008	0.032884
April 21, 2008	0.033036
April 22, 2008	0.033047
April 23, 2008	0.033014
April 24, 2008	0.032949
April 25, 2008	0.032960
April 26, 2008	0.032960
April 27, 2008	0.032960
April 28, 2008	0.032873
April 29, 2008	0.032830
April 30, 2008	0.032819

Dated: May 1, 2008

MARGARET T. BLOM,
Acting Chief,
Customs Information Exchange.

(CBP Dec. 08-34)

FOREIGN CURRENCIES

VARIANCES FROM QUARTERLY RATES FOR APRIL, 2008

The following rates of exchange are based upon rates certified to the Secretary of the Treasury by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 5151, and reflect variances of 5 per centum or more from the quarterly rates published in CBP Decision 08-16 for the following countries. Therefore, as to entries covering merchandise exported on the dates listed, whenever it is necessary for Customs purposes to convert such currency into currency of the United States, conversion shall be at the following rates.

Holiday(s): none

Republic of South Africa rand

April 25, 2008	0.131666
April 26, 2008	0.131666

FOREIGN CURRENCIES—Variances from quarterly rates for May 2008
(continued):

Republic of South Africa rand (continued):

April 27, 2008	0.131666
April 28, 2008	0.132714
April 29, 2008	0.131794
April 30, 2008	0.132127

Dated: May 1, 2008

MARGARET T. BLOM,
Acting Chief,
Customs Information Exchange.

(CBP Dec. 08–35)

FOREIGN CURRENCIES

DAILY RATES FOR COUNTRIES NOT ON QUARTERLY LIST FOR
MAY, 2008

The Federal Reserve Bank of New York, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 5151, has certified buying rates for the dates and foreign currencies shown below. The rates of exchange, based on these buying rates, are published for the information and use of Customs officers and others concerned pursuant to Part 159, Subpart C, Customs Regulations (19 CFR 159, Subpart C).

Holiday(s): May 26, 2008

European Union euro:

May 1, 2008	1.545800
May 2, 2008	1.543100
May 3, 2008	1.543100
May 4, 2008	1.543100
May 5, 2008	1.549100
May 6, 2008	1.554800
May 7, 2008	1.537000
May 8, 2008	1.540900
May 9, 2008	1.544700
May 10, 2008	1.544700
May 11, 2008	1.544700
May 12, 2008	1.553600
May 13, 2008	1.550900
May 14, 2008	1.546700
May 15, 2008	1.549200
May 16, 2008	1.559100
May 17, 2008	1.559100
May 18, 2008	1.559100
May 19, 2008	1.551600

FOREIGN CURRENCIES—Daily rates for Countries not on quarterly list for May 2008 (continued):

European Union euro: (continued):

May 20, 2008	1.566700
May 21, 2008	1.577200
May 22, 2008	1.570300
May 23, 2008	1.578400
May 24, 2008	1.578400
May 25, 2008	1.578400
May 26, 2008	1.578400
May 27, 2008	1.573100
May 28, 2008	1.562800
May 29, 2008	1.552700
May 30, 2008	1.556000
May 31, 2008	1.556000

South Korea won:

May 1, 2008	0.000996
May 2, 2008	0.000991
May 3, 2008	0.000991
May 4, 2008	0.000991
May 5, 2008	0.000992
May 6, 2008	0.000985
May 7, 2008	0.000971
May 8, 2008	0.000961
May 9, 2008	0.000958
May 10, 2008	0.000958
May 11, 2008	0.000958
May 12, 2008	0.000959
May 13, 2008	0.000955
May 14, 2008	0.000955
May 15, 2008	0.000959
May 16, 2008	0.000964
May 17, 2008	0.000964
May 18, 2008	0.000964
May 19, 2008	0.000961
May 20, 2008	0.000955
May 21, 2008	0.000962
May 22, 2008	0.000958
May 23, 2008	0.000956
May 24, 2008	0.000956
May 25, 2008	0.000956
May 26, 2008	0.000956
May 27, 2008	0.000961
May 28, 2008	0.000968
May 29, 2008	0.000971
May 30, 2008	0.000972
May 31, 2008	0.000972

Taiwan N.T. dollar:

May 1, 2008	0.032776
May 2, 2008	0.032798

FOREIGN CURRENCIES—Daily rates for Countries not on quarterly list for May 2008 (continued):

Taiwan N.T. dollar: (continued):

May 3, 2008	0.032798
May 4, 2008	0.032798
May 5, 2008	0.032830
May 6, 2008	0.032852
May 7, 2008	0.032637
May 8, 2008	0.032415
May 9, 2008	0.032531
May 10, 2008	0.032531
May 11, 2008	0.032531
May 12, 2008	0.032478
May 13, 2008	0.032404
May 14, 2008	0.032268
May 15, 2008	0.032352
May 16, 2008	0.032680
May 17, 2008	0.032680
May 18, 2008	0.032680
May 19, 2008	0.032819
May 20, 2008	0.032744
May 21, 2008	0.032895
May 22, 2008	0.032938
May 23, 2008	0.032798
May 24, 2008	0.032798
May 25, 2008	0.032798
May 26, 2008	0.032798
May 27, 2008	0.032755
May 28, 2008	0.032798
May 29, 2008	0.032852
May 30, 2008	0.032927
May 31, 2008	0.032927

Dated: June 1, 2008

MARGARET T. BLOM,
Acting Chief,
Customs Information Exchange.



(CBP Dec. 08-36)

FOREIGN CURRENCIES

VARIANCES FROM QUARTERLY RATES FOR MAY, 2008

The following rates of exchange are based upon rates certified to the Secretary of the Treasury by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 5151, and reflect variances of 5 per centum or more from the quarterly rates published in CBP Decision 08-34 for the following countries. Therefore, as to entries covering merchandise ex-

**FOREIGN CURRENCIES—Variances from quarterly rates for May 2008
(continued):**

ported on the dates listed, whenever it is necessary for Customs purposes to convert such currency into currency of the United States, conversion shall be at the following rates.

Holiday(s): May 26, 2008

Australia dollar

May 16, 2008	0.954000
May 17, 2008	0.954000
May 18, 2008	0.954000
May 19, 2008	0.953200
May 20, 2008	0.959900
May 21, 2008	0.964400
May 22, 2008	0.955200
May 23, 2008	0.960800
May 24, 2008	0.960800
May 25, 2008	0.960800
May 26, 2008	0.960800
May 27, 2008	0.958800
May 28, 2008	0.961600
May 29, 2008	0.954500
May 30, 2008	0.955100
May 31, 2008	0.955100

Brazil real

May 02, 2008	0.607423
May 03, 2008	0.607423
May 04, 2008	0.607423
May 15, 2008	0.605400
May 16, 2008	0.608643
May 17, 2008	0.608643
May 18, 2008	0.608643
May 19, 2008	0.607165
May 20, 2008	0.604631
May 21, 2008	0.606061
May 29, 2008	0.606943
May 30, 2008	0.615309
May 31, 2008	0.615309

India rupee

May 12, 2008	0.023810
May 13, 2008	0.023764
May 14, 2008	0.023618
May 15, 2008	0.023474
May 16, 2008	0.023529
May 17, 2008	0.023529
May 18, 2008	0.023529
May 19, 2008	0.023552
May 20, 2008	0.023529
May 21, 2008	0.023381
May 22, 2008	0.023294

FOREIGN CURRENCIES—Variances from quarterly rates for May 2008
(continued):

India rupee (continued):

May 23, 2008	0.023430
May 24, 2008	0.023430
May 25, 2008	0.023430
May 26, 2008	0.023430
May 27, 2008	0.023332
May 28, 2008	0.023392
May 30, 2008	0.023725
May 31, 2008	0.023725

Republic of South Africa rand

May 2, 2008	0.132450
May 3, 2008	0.132450
May 4, 2008	0.132450
May 5, 2008	0.132057
May 6, 2008	0.132275
May 7, 2008	0.133156
May 8, 2008	0.132013
May 12, 2008	0.131389
May 13, 2008	0.131874
May 14, 2008	0.131579
May 15, 2008	0.131622
May 16, 2008	0.133869
May 17, 2008	0.133869
May 18, 2008	0.133869
May 19, 2008	0.133476
May 29, 2008	0.131891
May 30, 2008	0.131320
May 31, 2008	0.131320

Dated: June 1, 2008

MARGARET T. BLOM,
Acting Chief,
Customs Information Exchange.

(CBP Dec. 08-37)

FOREIGN CURRENCIES

DAILY RATES FOR COUNTRIES NOT ON QUARTERLY LIST FOR
JUNE, 2008

The Federal Reserve Bank of New York, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 5151, has certified buying rates for the dates and foreign currencies shown below. The rates of exchange, based on these buying rates, are published

FOREIGN CURRENCIES—Daily rates for Countries not on quarterly
list for June 2008 (continued):

for the information and use of Customs officers and others concerned
pursuant to Part 159, Subpart C, Customs Regulations (19 CFR 159,
Subpart C).

Holiday(s): none

European Union euro:

June 1, 2008.....	1.556000
June 2, 2008.....	1.555000
June 3, 2008.....	1.545400
June 4, 2008.....	1.545300
June 5, 2008.....	1.556000
June 6, 2008.....	1.573100
June 7, 2008.....	1.573100
June 8, 2008.....	1.573100
June 9, 2008.....	1.571800
June 10, 2008.....	1.547300
June 11, 2008.....	1.556200
June 12, 2008.....	1.541800
June 13, 2008.....	1.536800
June 14, 2008.....	1.536800
June 15, 2008.....	1.536800
June 16, 2008.....	1.547200
June 17, 2008.....	1.551900
June 18, 2008.....	1.550200
June 19, 2008.....	1.550200
June 20, 2008.....	1.562600
June 21, 2008.....	1.562600
June 22, 2008.....	1.562600
June 23, 2008.....	1.549200
June 24, 2008.....	1.559100
June 25, 2008.....	1.557000
June 26, 2008.....	1.573800
June 27, 2008.....	1.574900
June 28, 2008.....	1.574900
June 29, 2008.....	1.574900
June 30, 2008.....	1.574800

South Korea won:

June 1, 2008.....	0.000972
June 2, 2008.....	0.000978
June 3, 2008.....	0.000983
June 4, 2008.....	0.000981
June 5, 2008.....	0.000978
June 6, 2008.....	0.000970
June 7, 2008.....	0.000970
June 8, 2008.....	0.000970
June 9, 2008.....	0.000969
June 10, 2008.....	0.000973
June 11, 2008.....	0.000971
June 12, 2008.....	0.000968

FOREIGN CURRENCIES—Daily rates for Countries not on quarterly list for June 2008 (continued):

South Korea won: (continued):

June 13, 2008	0.000958
June 14, 2008	0.000958
June 15, 2008	0.000958
June 16, 2008	0.000963
June 17, 2008	0.000979
June 18, 2008	0.000972
June 19, 2008	0.000973
June 20, 2008	0.000969
June 21, 2008	0.000969
June 22, 2008	0.000969
June 23, 2008	0.000965
June 24, 2008	0.000969
June 25, 2008	0.000967
June 26, 2008	0.000960
June 27, 2008	0.000960
June 28, 2008	0.000960
June 29, 2008	0.000960
June 30, 2008	0.000955

Taiwan N.T. dollar:

June 1, 2008	0.032927
June 2, 2008	0.033167
June 3, 2008	0.032927
June 4, 2008	0.032949
June 5, 2008	0.032916
June 6, 2008	0.032884
June 7, 2008	0.032884
June 8, 2008	0.032884
June 9, 2008	0.032982
June 10, 2008	0.032852
June 11, 2008	0.032960
June 12, 2008	0.032906
June 13, 2008	0.032852
June 14, 2008	0.032852
June 15, 2008	0.032852
June 16, 2008	0.032916
June 17, 2008	0.032971
June 18, 2008	0.032916
June 19, 2008	0.032906
June 20, 2008	0.032873
June 21, 2008	0.032873
June 22, 2008	0.032873
June 23, 2008	0.032852
June 24, 2008	0.032895
June 25, 2008	0.032971
June 26, 2008	0.032906
June 27, 2008	0.032927
June 28, 2008	0.032927

FOREIGN CURRENCIES—Daily rates for Countries not on quarterly list for June 2008 (continued):

Taiwan N.T. dollar: (continued):

June 29, 2008	0.032927
June 30, 2008	0.032938

Dated: July 1, 2008

MARGARET T. BLOM,
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Customs Information Exchange.

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FOREIGN CURRENCIES

VARIANCES FROM QUARTERLY RATES FOR JUNE, 2008

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Holiday(s): none

Australia dollar

June 1, 2008	0.955100
June 2, 2008	0.954800
June 3, 2008	0.954500
June 4, 2008	0.960500
June 5, 2008	0.956700
June 6, 2008	0.960300
June 7, 2008	0.960300
June 8, 2008	0.960300
June 9, 2008	0.952300
June 20, 2008	0.954000
June 21, 2008	0.954000
June 22, 2008	0.954000
June 24, 2008	0.957300
June 25, 2008	0.954000
June 26, 2008	0.957300
June 27, 2008	0.961000
June 28, 2008	0.961000
June 29, 2008	0.961000
June 30, 2008	0.956200

FOREIGN CURRENCIES—Variances from quarterly rates for June 2008 (continued):

Brazil real

June 1, 2008	0.615309
June 2, 2008	0.613309
June 3, 2008	0.616257
June 4, 2008	0.613761
June 5, 2008	0.611808
June 6, 2008	0.614968
June 7, 2008	0.614968
June 8, 2008	0.614968
June 9, 2008	0.616295
June 10, 2008	0.609645
June 11, 2008	0.609570
June 12, 2008	0.610054
June 13, 2008	0.612895
June 14, 2008	0.612895
June 15, 2008	0.612895
June 16, 2008	0.615422
June 17, 2008	0.620040
June 18, 2008	0.621581
June 19, 2008	0.623597
June 20, 2008	0.624298
June 21, 2008	0.624298
June 22, 2008	0.624298
June 23, 2008	0.619694
June 24, 2008	0.623830
June 25, 2008	0.625156
June 26, 2008	0.627943
June 27, 2008	0.623519
June 28, 2008	0.623519
June 29, 2008	0.623519
June 30, 2008	0.627156

India rupee

June 1, 2008	0.023725
June 2, 2008	0.023596
June 3, 2008	0.023529
June 4, 2008	0.023474
June 5, 2008	0.023354
June 6, 2008	0.023458
June 7, 2008	0.023458
June 8, 2008	0.023458
June 9, 2008	0.023337
June 10, 2008	0.023299
June 11, 2008	0.023447
June 12, 2008	0.023419
June 13, 2008	0.023332
June 14, 2008	0.023332
June 15, 2008	0.023332
June 16, 2008	0.023294
June 17, 2008	0.023332
June 18, 2008	0.023364
June 19, 2008	0.023305
June 20, 2008	0.023332

FOREIGN CURRENCIES—Variances from quarterly rates for June 2008 (continued):

India rupee (continued):

June 21, 2008	0.023332
June 22, 2008	0.023332
June 23, 2008	0.023272
June 24, 2008	0.023392
June 25, 2008	0.023403
June 26, 2008	0.023474
June 27, 2008	0.023375
June 28, 2008	0.023375
June 29, 2008	0.023375
June 30, 2008	0.023294

Japan yen

June 10, 2008	0.009329
June 12, 2008	0.009264
June 13, 2008	0.009266
June 14, 2008	0.009266
June 15, 2008	0.009266
June 16, 2008	0.009243
June 17, 2008	0.009257
June 18, 2008	0.009255
June 19, 2008	0.009264
June 20, 2008	0.009309
June 21, 2008	0.009309
June 22, 2008	0.009309
June 23, 2008	0.009269
June 24, 2008	0.009280
June 25, 2008	0.009234
June 26, 2008	0.009321

Republic of South Africa rand

June 1, 2008	0.131320
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Thailand baht

June 6, 2008	0.030166
June 7, 2008	0.030166
June 8, 2008	0.030166
June 9, 2008	0.030093
June 10, 2008	0.030312
June 11, 2008	0.030230
June 12, 2008	0.030221
June 13, 2008	0.030184
June 14, 2008	0.030184
June 15, 2008	0.030184
June 16, 2008	0.030084
June 17, 2008	0.030166
June 18, 2008	0.030066
June 19, 2008	0.029931
June 20, 2008	0.030030
June 21, 2008	0.030030
June 22, 2008	0.030030
June 23, 2008	0.029913

FOREIGN CURRENCIES—Variances from quarterly rates for June 2008 (continued):

Thailand baht (continued):

June 24, 2008	0.029851
June 25, 2008	0.029789
June 26, 2008	0.029824
June 27, 2008	0.029842
June 28, 2008	0.029842
June 29, 2008	0.029842
June 30, 2008	0.029967

Dated: July 1, 2008

MARGARET T. BLOM,
Acting Chief,
Customs Information Exchange.



*General Notices***ACCREDITATION AND APPROVAL OF CHEM GAS INTERNATIONAL LLC, AS A COMMERCIAL GAUGER AND LABORATORY**

AGENCY: U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security.

ACTION: Notice of accreditation and approval of Chem Gas International LLC, as a commercial gauger and laboratory.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to 19 CFR 151.12 and 19 CFR 151.13, Chem Gas International LLC, 12002 Highway 146, Dickinson, TX 77539, has been approved to gauge and accredited to test petroleum and petroleum products and organic chemicals for customs purposes, in accordance with the provisions of 19 CFR 151.12 and 19 CFR 151.13. Anyone wishing to employ this entity to conduct laboratory analyses and gauger services should request and receive written assurances from the entity that it is accredited or approved by the U.S. Customs and Border Protection to conduct the specific test or gauger service requested. Alternatively, inquires regarding the specific test or gauger service this entity is accredited or approved to perform may be directed to the U.S. Customs and Border Protection by calling (202) 344-1060. The inquiry may also be sent to cbp.labhq@dhs.gov. Please reference the website listed below for a complete listing of CBP approved gaugers and accredited laboratories.

http://cbp.gov/xp/cgov/import/operations_support/labs_scientific_svcs/commercial_gaugers/

DATES: The accreditation and approval of Chem Gas International LLC, as commercial gauger and laboratory became effective on August 15, 2008. The next triennial inspection date will be scheduled for August 2011.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Randall Breaux, Laboratories and Scientific Services, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, 1300 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Suite 1500N, Washington, DC 20229, 202-344-1060. Ira

Dated: August 25, 2008

IRA S. REESE,
Executive Director,
Laboratories and Scientific Services.

Notice of Cancellation of Customs Broker License

AGENCY: Bureau of Customs and Border Protection, U.S. Department of Homeland Security

ACTION: General Notice

SUMMARY: Pursuant to section 641 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, (19 USC 1641) and the Customs Regulations (19 CFR 111.51), the following Customs broker licenses and all associated permits are cancelled without prejudice.

<u>Name</u>	<u>License #</u>	<u>Issuing Port</u>
International Cargo Systems, Inc.	15594	Boston
Delmar Logistics, Inc.	17142	Los Angeles
Robert D. Hancock, Jr.	03755	Houston
Rialto International, Inc.	22077	Seattle

DATED: August 18, 2008

DANIEL BALDWIN,
*Assistant Commissioner,
Office of International Trade.*

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

19 CFR Parts 4, 7, 10, 102, 134 AND 177

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RIN 1505-AB49

**UNIFORM RULES OF ORIGIN FOR IMPORTED
MERCHANDISE**

AGENCIES: Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security; Department of the Treasury.

ACTION: Notice of proposed rulemaking; extension of comment period.

SUMMARY: This document provides an additional 30 days for interested parties to submit comments on the proposed rule to amend the Customs and Border Protection ("CBP") regulations to establish uniform rules governing CBP determinations of the country of origin of imported merchandise. The proposed rule was published in the

Federal Register on July 25, 2008 (73 FR 43385), and the comment period was scheduled to expire on September 23, 2008.

DATES: Comments on the proposed rule must be received on or before October 23, 2008.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, identified by docket number, by one of the following methods:

- Federal eRulemaking Portal: <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments via docket number USCBP-2007-0100.
- Mail: Trade and Commercial Regulations Branch, Regulations and Rulings, Office of International Trade, U. S. Customs and Border Protection, 1300 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW. (Mint Annex), Washington, DC 20229.

Instructions: All submissions received must include the agency name and docket number for this rulemaking. All comments received will be posted without change to <http://www.regulations.gov>, including any personal information provided. For detailed instructions on submitting comments and additional information on the rulemaking process, see the "Public Participation" heading of the SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION section of this document.

Docket: For access to the docket to read background documents or comments received, go to <http://www.regulations.gov>. Submitted comments may be inspected during regular business days between the hours of 9 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. at the Trade and Commercial Regulations Branch, Regulations and Rulings, Office of International Trade, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, 799 9th Street, N.W., 5th Floor, Washington, DC. Arrangements to inspect submitted comments should be made in advance by calling Mr. Joseph Clark at (202) 572-8768.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Public Participation

Interested persons are invited to participate in this rulemaking by submitting written data, views, or arguments on all aspects of the proposed rule. CBP also invites comments that relate to the economic, environmental, or federalism effects that might result from this proposed rule. Comments that will provide the most assistance to CBP will reference a specific portion of the proposed rule, explain the reason for any recommended change, and include data, informa-

tion, or authority that support such recommended change. See ADDRESSES above for information on how to submit comments.

Background

CBP published a notice of proposed rulemaking in the **Federal Register** (73 FR 43385) on July 25, 2008, proposing to amend the CBP regulations to establish uniform rules of origin for imported merchandise. The proposed rule would extend application of the country of origin rules codified in 19 CFR part 102. Those rules have proven to be more objective and transparent and provide greater predictability in determining the country of origin of imported merchandise than the system of case-by-case adjudication they would replace. The proposed change also will aid an importer's exercise of reasonable care. In addition, the document proposes to amend the country of origin rules applicable to pipe fitting and flanges, printed greeting cards, glass optical fiber, and rice preparations. Finally, the proposed rule would amend the textile regulations set forth in § 102.21 to make corrections so that the regulations reflect the language of section 334(b)(5) of the Uruguay Round Agreements Act.

The notice of proposed rulemaking invited the public to comment on the proposal. Comments on the proposed rule were requested on or before September 23, 2008.

Extension of Comment Period

In response to the proposed rule published in the **Federal Register**, CBP has received correspondence from several parties requesting an extension of the comment period. A decision has been made to grant an extension of 30 days. Comments are now due on or before October 23, 2008.

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