

**Commercial Customs Operations Advisory Committee (COAC)**  
**Government Issue Paper**  
**Anti-dumping and Countervailing Duty (AD/CVD)**  
**Working Group**

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**Action Required:** Informational

**Background:**

- Antidumping and countervailing duty (AD/CVD) enforcement is a priority for U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP).
- CBP enforces over 460 AD/CVD orders on imported goods. CBP employs significant national assets from across the agency to target AD/CVD evasion, including import trade trend and valuation analysis, the use of targeted reviews and audits to address high-risk cases, lab testing, and special operations.
- The Commercial Customs Operations Advisory Committee (COAC) Trade Enforcement and Revenue Collection (TERC) subcommittee formed the AD/CVD working group to generate advice and develop recommendations specific to AD/CVD. The AD/CVD working group consists of COAC members and nonmembers providing diverse perspectives on AD/CVD issues. Members of the working group include importers, customs brokers, sureties, U.S. manufacturers, lawyers, as well as participants from the Department of Commerce and U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Homeland Security Investigations.
- CBP's partnerships enhance the enforcement of AD/CVD. CBP partners with domestic industries and partner government agencies, including U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Homeland Security Investigations and the U.S. Department of Commerce, to enforce AD/CVD laws.
- CBP also strives to be as transparent as possible as disclosure laws allow, and regularly posts AD/CVD information on [CBP.gov](http://CBP.gov).

**Issue:**

- CBP is committed to enforcing AD/CVD laws, identifying and penalizing those who would try to evade those laws, and vigorously pursuing amounts owed to the United States.

**Current Status:**

- Based on a COAC recommendation, CBP reviewed the AD/CVD entry summary rejection policy with the AD/CVD Working Group extending the reject period for AD/CVD entries. After careful analysis, CBP issued CSMS # 18-000301 Modification of Timeframes to Reject Entry Summaries which extended the time period for rejecting AD/CVD entry summaries (with supervisory approval) from 90 days to 300 days.
- As recommended by COAC, the AD/CVD Division published an AD/CVD FAQ document on [CBP.gov](http://CBP.gov).
- CBP initiated discussions with the COAC AD/CVD Working Group on the accurate reporting of manufacturer identification codes (MIDs) on AD/CVD entries. Based on COAC discussions, CBP provided further guidance on the correct usage of the MID for AD/CVD purposes by partnering with National Customs Brokers & Forwarders Association of America, Inc. (NCBFAA) for a webinar, which included over 2,000 attendees.
- CBP engaged the AD/CVD Working Group in discussions regarding recent Section 232 trade remedy notifications and questions/concerns.
- CBP has activated the AD/CVD Twitter page. This page is located on [CBP.gov](http://CBP.gov), includes tweets from @CBPTradeGov about important AD/CVD related events or news, and increases transparency between CBP and the trade.

**Next Steps:**

- CBP will continue to engage with the AD/CVD working group to address any questions/concerns surrounding current and new trade remedies.
- CBP continues to partner with the AD/CVD Working Group to provide increased visibility for the trade on the steel seminars taught by the U.S. steel industry at CBP ports of entry.

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