

## Analysis of Programs

There were no comments submitted to the Department with respect to our preliminary results of review; therefore, based upon the questionnaire responses we determine the following:

### I. Programs Conferring Subsidies

#### A. Programs Previously Determined To Confer Subsidies

##### 1. Pre-Shipment Export Credit

In the preliminary results, we found that this program conferred countervailable subsidies on the subject merchandise. Our review of the record has not led us to change any findings or calculations. Accordingly, the net subsidy for this program is 0.12 percent *ad valorem* for BBBF, which remains unchanged from the preliminary results.

##### 2. VAT Support Program (Incentive Premium on Domestically Obtained Goods)

In the preliminary results, we found that this program conferred countervailable subsidies on the subject merchandise. Our review of the record has not led us to change any findings or calculations. Accordingly, the net subsidy for this program is 0.08 percent *ad valorem* for BBBF, which remains unchanged from the preliminary results.

### II. Program Determined To Be Not Countervailable

#### Special Importance Sector Under Investment Allowances

In the preliminary results, we determined that the enabling legislation does not expressly limit access to an enterprise or industry; therefore, the subsidy is not *de jure* specific (specific as a matter of law). In addition, we determined that this program is not *de facto* specific and, therefore, is not countervailable. Our review of the record has not led us to change any findings or calculations. Therefore, our determination for this program remains unchanged.

### III. Programs Determined To Be Not Used

We have determined that the producers and/or exporters of the subject merchandise did not apply for or receive benefits under the following programs during the POR:

- A. Freight Program
- B. Foreign Exchange Loan Assistance
- C. Resource Utilization Support Fund
- D. State Aid for Exports Program
- E. Advance Refunds of Tax Savings
- F. Export Credit Through the Foreign Trade Corporate Companies Rediscount Credit Facility (Eximbank)
- G. Past Performance Related Foreign

- Currency Export Loans (Eximbank)
- H. Export Credit Insurance (Eximbank)
- I. Subsidized Turkish Lira Credit Facilities
- J. Subsidized Credit for Proportion of Fixed Expenditures
- K. Fund Based Credit
- L. Investment Allowances (in excess of 30 percent minimum)
- M Resource Utilization Support Premium (RUSP)
- N. Deduction from Taxable Income for Export Revenues
- O. Regional Subsidies
  1. Additional Refunds of VAT (VAT + 10 percent)
  2. Postponement of VAT on Imported Goods
  3. Land Allocation (GIP)
  4. Taxes, Fees (Duties), Charge Exemption (GIP)

### Final Results of Review

In accordance with section 705(c)(1)(B)(i) of the Act, we calculated an *ad valorem* subsidy rate for BBBF. For the period January 1, 1998 through December 31, 1998, we determine the net subsidy for BBBF to be 0.20 percent *ad valorem*, which is *de minimis*.

As provided for in 19 CFR 351.106(c)(1), any rate less than 0.5 percent *ad valorem* in an administrative review is *de minimis*. Accordingly, no countervailing duties will be assessed. The Department will instruct Customs to liquidate, without regard to countervailing duties, shipments of the subject merchandise from BBBF exported on or after January 1, 1998, and on or before December 31, 1998. Also, the cash deposit required for this company will be zero.

Because the URAA replaced the general rule in favor of a country-wide rate with a general rule in favor of individual rates for investigated and reviewed companies, the procedures for establishing countervailing duty rates, including those for non-reviewed companies, are now essentially the same as those in antidumping cases, except as provided for in section 777A(e)(2)(B) of the Act. The requested review will normally cover only those companies specifically named. See 19 CFR 351.213(b). Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.212(c), for all companies for which a review was not requested, duties must be assessed at the cash deposit rate, and cash deposits must continue to be collected, at the rate previously ordered. As such, the countervailing duty cash deposit rate applicable to a company can no longer change, except pursuant to a request for a review of that company. See *Federal-Mogul Corporation and The Torrington Company v. United States*, 822 F. Supp. 782 (CIT 1993) and *Floral Trade Council v. United States*, 822 F. Supp. 766 (CIT 1993). Therefore, the cash deposit rates

for all companies except those covered by this review will be unchanged by the results of this review.

We will instruct Customs to continue to collect cash deposits for non-reviewed companies at the most recent company-specific or country-wide rate applicable to the company. Accordingly, the cash deposit rates that will be applied to non-reviewed companies covered by this order will be the rate for that company established in the most recently completed administrative proceeding conducted under the URAA. If such a review has not been conducted, the rate established in the most recently completed administrative proceeding pursuant to the statutory provisions that were in effect prior to the URAA amendments is applicable. See *Certain Carbon Steel Products from Sweden; Final Results of Countervailing Duty Administrative Review*, 62 FR 16549 (April 7, 1997). This rate shall apply to all non-reviewed companies until a review of a company assigned this rate is requested. In addition, for the period January 1, 1998 through December 31, 1998, the assessment rates applicable to all non-reviewed companies covered by this order are the cash deposit rates in effect at the time of entry.

This notice serves as a reminder to parties subject to administrative protective order (APO) of their responsibility concerning the disposition of proprietary information disclosed under APO in accordance with 19 CFR 351.305(a)(3). Timely written notification of return/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.

This administrative review and notice are issued and published in accordance with section 751(a)(1) and 777(i)(1) of the Act.

Dated: August 4, 2000.

**Richard W. Moreland,**

*Acting Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.*

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## CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION

### Notice of Meeting of Chronic Hazard Advisory Panel on Diisononyl Phthalate (DINP)

**AGENCY:** Consumer Product Safety Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Commission announces the third meeting of the Chronic Hazard Advisory Panel (CHAP) on diisononyl phthalate (DINP). The Commission appointed this CHAP to advise the Commission on any chronic hazards of cancer, birth defects, and gene mutations associated with children's products containing DINP.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held from 8:30 am to 5:00 pm on September 12 and from 8:30 am to 4:00 pm on September 13, 2000.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held in the fourth floor hearing room in the Commission's offices at 4330 East-West Highway, Bethesda, Maryland.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Marilyn Wind, Directorate for Health Sciences, Consumer Product Safety Commission, Washington, D.C. 20207; telephone (301) 504-0477, ext. 1205; email mwind@cpsc.gov.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Commission has been concerned with potential risks posed to children under 3 years of age by the plasticizer diisononyl phthalate (DINP), which is used to soften some children's teething rattles, and toys made from polyvinyl chloride (PVC). DINP can leach from such products when they are mouthed, causing some DINP to be absorbed through mucous membranes. DINP has been shown to cause liver and other organ toxicity in laboratory animals. Also, the Commission has received a petition (No. HP 99-1) from the National Environmental Trust and eleven other organizations asking that the Commission ban PVC in certain children's products.

The Commission appointed a seven-member CHAP to evaluate the existing scientific information regarding chronic hazards posed by DINP and the implications of these hazards on risk to children. The CHAP members were selected from scientists recommended by the National Academy of Sciences. See 15 U.S.C. 2077 and 2080(b). The first meeting of the CHAP was on May 10-11, 2000. The second meeting of the CHAP was on June 20-22, 2000.

The third CHAP meeting will be from 8:30 am to 5:00 pm on September 12 and from 8:30 am to 4:00 pm on September 13, 2000. The purpose of the meeting is for the CHAP to discuss draft sections of the report they will submit to the Commission.

The meeting is open to the public. However, the CHAP will not entertain public comment during this meeting. The period for written public comment to the CHAP closed on June 13, 2000. Oral comment was also entertained by the CHAP on June 20, 2000 during its

second meeting. See, **Federal Register** notice of second CHAP meeting. 65 FR 34446 (May 30, 2000).

Dated: August 7, 2000.

**Sadye E. Dunn,**

*Secretary, Consumer Product Safety Commission.*

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## **CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE**

### **Revision of Currently Approved Information Collection; Comment Request**

**AGENCY:** Corporation for National and Community Service.

**ACTION:** Notice for public comments.

**SUMMARY:** The Corporation for National and Community Service (hereinafter the "Corporation"), as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, conducts a preclearance consultation program to provide the general public and Federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing collections of information in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA95) (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)). This program helps to ensure that requested data can be provided in the desired format, reporting burden (time and financial resources) is minimized, collection instruments are clearly understood, and the impact of collection requirements on respondents can be properly assessed. This form is available in alternative formats. Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TTY/TDD) may call (202) 565-2799 between the hours of 9 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Eastern time, Monday through Friday.

Currently, the Corporation is soliciting comments concerning the revision of its National Senior Service Corps Project Grant Application (OMB Control Number 3045-0035, with an expiration date of 12/31/2000). Copies of the information collection request can be obtained by contacting the office listed below in the **ADDRESSES** section of this notice.

**DATES:** Written comments must be submitted to the office listed in the **ADDRESSES** section by October 10, 2000.

**ADDRESSES:** Send comments to the Corporation for National and Community Service, National Senior Service Corps, Attn: Peter L. Boynton, Program Officer, 1201 New York Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C., 20525.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Peter Boynton, (202) 606-5000, ext. 499, or e-mail to pboynton@cns.gov.

### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

#### **Comment Request**

The Corporation is particularly interested in comments which:

- Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Corporation, including whether the information will have practical utility;
- Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- Enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g. permitting electronic submission of responses.

#### **Background**

The National Senior Service Corps Grant Application is submitted by prospective grantees to apply for or renew sponsorship of projects under the National Senior Service Corps Programs—the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP), Foster Grandparent Program (FGP), Senior Companion Program (SCP), and/or Senior Corps Demonstration Program. The application serves as the foundation for making award decisions. Completion of the application is required to obtain or retain sponsorship of a Senior Corps local project.

#### **Current Action**

The Corporation proposes to revise the National Senior Service Corps Grant Application in order to: (1) Reflect evolution in programming that places greater emphasis on measurable accomplishments and impact in the community and meeting the requirements of the Government Performance and Results Act (GPRA); (2) streamline the instructions for greater clarity and ease of completion; (3) eliminate redundant or unused sections and/or pages, such as the Five Element Statement page; (4) standardize submission of certain types of information, such as the Active Volunteer Station Lists; (5) strengthen the project work plan as a more comprehensive planning and reporting tool; and (6) update current page 13