

SECEX initiates antidumping procedures related to imports of lightweight coated paper, metallic magnesium and welded tubes

The Secretariat of Foreign Trade ("SECEX") of the Ministry of Industry, Foreign Trade and Services initiated, on April 20th, 2017, two sunset reviews of antidumping duties connected to Brazilian imports of (i) lightweight coated papers from Germany, Belgium, Canada, USA, Finland and Sweden, and; (ii) metallic magnesium from the Russian Federation. On April 24, SECEX initiated a new antidumping investigation related to the Brazilian imports of welded tubes from Malaysia, Thailand and Vietnam.

Interested parties shall receive questionnaires indicating the information to be provided on the procedures and shall have a 30-day deadline for response. The participation of interested parties shall be made through legal representatives before the Department of Trade Remedies (DECOM).

Other parties who consider themselves as interested in the proceedings shall file a request for participation within a 20-day deadline counting from the beginning of the procedures. Below, we present more details relating to each proceeding.

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(i) Antidumping duty sunset review - lightweight coated papers from Germany, Belgium, Canada, USA, Finland and Sweden

The sunset review relates to imports of lightweight coated papers, product commonly classified under item 4810.22.90 of the NCM - Mercosur Common Nomenclature (HS based), originating from Germany, Belgium, Canada, USA, Finland and Sweden. The petitioner is B.O. Paper Brasil Indústria de Papéis Ltda.

Lightweight coated papers are used mainly for printing magazines, catalogues and advertisement materials such as booklets, leaflets, among others. The antidumping duties currently applied range from USD 45.94/ton to USD 595.29/ton, depending on the origin and the exporter of the product. Brazilian total imports of lightweight coated papers from July 2011 to June 2016, the period under review, were as follows:

Period	US\$ FOB	Net weight (kg)
07/2011 to 06/2012	92,840,691	100,097,573
07/2012 to 06/2013	64,988,097	72,783,500
07/2013 to 06/2014	39,380,127	45,606,447
07/2014 to 06/2015	35,290,469	42,437,667
07/2015 to 06/2016	13,662,249	17,692,408

(ii) Antidumping duty sunset review - metallic magnesium from the Russian Federation

The sunset review relates to imports of metallic magnesium, containing 99,8% of magnesium in weight, product commonly classified under item 8104.11.00 of the NCM - Mercosur Common Nomenclature (HS based), originating from the Russian Federation. The petitioner is RIMA Industrial S.A.



Metallic magnesium is mainly used in the automotive and chemical industries, as well as in civil construction. In addition, it is also used in the aluminum industry to produce cans, laminated and extruded items, among other products. The antidumping duty currently applied to this product is of USD 890.73/ton. Brazilian imports of metallic magnesium from Russia, from October 2011 to September 2016, the period under review, were as follows:

Period	US\$ FOB	Net weight (kg)
10/2011 to 09/2012	2,590,935	659,150
10/2012 to 09/2013	1,791,429	518,271
10/2013 to 09/2014	1,320,294	398,166
10/2014 to 09/2015	0	0
10/2015 to 09/2016	0	0

(iii) Antidumping investigation – welded tubes from Malaysia, Thailand and Vietnam

The antidumping investigation related to Brazilian imports of welded tubes, of austenitic stainless steel of grade 304 and 316, of circular cross-section, product commonly classified under items 7306.40.00 and 7306.90.20 of the NCM - Mercosur Common Nomenclature (HS based), originating from Malaysia, Thailand and Vietnam. The petitioners are Aperam Inox Tubos Brasil Ltda. and Mercegaglia do Brasil Ltda.

For the purposes of initiating the investigation, DECOM calculated the following dumping margins:

Country	Absolute dumping margin (US\$/t)	Relative dumping margin (%)
Malaysia	735.66	26.4
Thailand	468.41	19.1
Vietnam	431.60	18.0

Brazilian total imports of welded tubes, from October 2011 to September 2016, the period under investigation, were as follows:

Period	US\$ FOB	Net weight (kg)
10/2011 a 09/2012	102,683,919	29,804,669
10/2012 a 09/2013	109,350,968	36,097,945
10/2013 a 09/2014	97,108,935	32,027,047
10/2014 a 09/2015	99,942,554	33,075,239
10/2015 a 09/2016	53,818,206	20,376,615

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