

EXPLANATION OF COMMISSION DETERMINATION ON ADEQUACY

in

Sodium Thiosulfate from China, Germany, and the United Kingdom, Invs. Nos. 731-TA-465-466 and 468 (Review)

On October 1, 1999, the Commission determined that it should proceed to expedited reviews in each of the subject five-year reviews pursuant to section 751(c)(3)(B) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, 19 U.S.C. § 1675(c)(3)(B).

The Commission determined that the domestic interested party group response was adequate in each review.¹ In this regard, the Commission received a single response to its notice of institution from Calabrian Corp., a domestic producer accounting for approximately half of the domestic production of sodium thiosulfate.²

The Commission did not receive a response from any respondent interested party. Consequently, the Commission determined that the respondent interested party group response was inadequate in each review.

The Commission did not find any circumstances that would warrant conducting full reviews. The Commission, therefore, determined to conduct expedited reviews.

¹Commissioner Crawford dissented.

²Commissioner Crawford determined that the domestic interested party group response was inadequate because the share of domestic production accounted for by the sole domestic producer responding to the notice of institution does not demonstrate a sufficient level of interest in these orders.