

EXPLANATION OF COMMISSION DETERMINATIONS ON ADEQUACY

in

Lightweight Thermal Paper (LWTP) from China and Germany Inv. Nos. 701-TA-451 and 731-TA-1126-1127 (Review)

On January 23, 2014, the Commission determined to conduct full reviews in the subject five-year reviews pursuant to section 751(c) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, 19 U.S.C. § 1675(c).¹

The Commission received a response to the notice of institution from one U.S. producer of lightweight thermal paper (“LWTP”): Appvion, Inc. The Commission found the response of this domestic producer to be individually adequate. Moreover, the Commission found that the domestic interested party group response was adequate because this company accounted for a substantial share of total U.S. production of coated LWTP.

The Commission also received adequate individual responses concerning the antidumping duty order on LWTP from Germany filed separately by Mitsubishi HiTec Paper Europe GmbH, a producer and exporter of the subject merchandise in Germany, and a joint response filed by Papierfabrik August Koehler SE, a producer and exporter of the subject merchandise in Germany, and Koehler America, a U.S. importer of subject merchandise from Germany. The Commission found that the respondent interested party group response was adequate with respect to the order on LWTP from Germany because these respondents accounted for a substantial share of the production of subject merchandise in Germany.

Because the group responses from both the domestic interested parties and the respondent interested parties were adequate, the Commission determined to conduct a full review of the order on LWTP from Germany.

The Commission did not receive a response from any respondent interested parties concerning the orders on LWTP from China and, therefore, determined that the respondent interested party group response with regard to the reviews of the orders on LWTP from China was inadequate. The Commission, however, determined to conduct full reviews of the orders on LWTP from China to promote administrative efficiency in light of the Commission’s determination to conduct a full review of the order on LWTP from Germany.

A record of the Commissioners’ votes is available from the Office of the Secretary and the Commission’s website (<http://www.usitc.gov>).

¹ Commissioners Aranoff and Kieff did not participate in these adequacy determinations.