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Initiation of AD and CVD Investigations of Aluminum Lithographic Printing Plates from China and Japan

Commerce Initiates Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Investigations of Aluminum Lithographic Printing Plates from the People's Republic of China and Japan

On October 19, 2023, the U.S. Department of Commerce (Commerce) announced the initiation of antidumping duty (AD) investigations of aluminum lithographic printing plates (printing plates) from the People's Republic of China (China) and Japan and a countervailing duty (CVD) investigation of printing plates from China.

Alleged Dumping Margins

Country	Dumping Margins
China	107.62%
Japan	23.46%

Alleged Subsidies Rates

Country	Subsidy Rates
China	Above de minimis*

*de minimis = less than 1% for developed countries, less than 2% for developing countries

Case Calendar

Event	AD INVESTIGATIONS	CVD INVESTIGATION
Petitions Filed	September 28, 2023	September 28, 2023
Commerce Initiation Date	October 18, 2023	October 18, 2023
ITC Preliminary Determinations*	November 13, 2023	November 13, 2023
Commerce Preliminary Determinations	March 6, 2024	December 22, 2023
Commerce Final Determinations	May 20, 2024	March 6, 2024
ITC Final Determination**	July 5, 2024	April 22, 2024
Issuance of Orders***	July 12, 2024	April 29, 2024

NOTE: Commerce's preliminary and final determination deadlines are governed by statute. For CVD investigations, the deadlines are set forth in sections 703(b) and 705(a)(1) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act). For AD investigations, the deadlines are set forth in sections 733(b) and 735(a) of the Act. These deadlines may be extended under certain circumstances.

* If the International Trade Commission (ITC) makes a negative preliminary determination of injury, then the corresponding AD/CVD investigation(s) will be terminated.

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Import Statistics

China	2020	2021	2022
Volume (sqm)	82,234	697,424	5,249,631
Value (USD)	408,846	2,605,157	17,471,668
Japan	2020	2021	2022
Volume (sqm)	5,054,546	5,451,299	14,721,850
Value (USD)	27,268,544	47,140,860	87,932,578

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, accessed through S&P Global's Global Trade Atlas (Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS) subheading 3701.30.0000). While the import statistics provided in a petition and in E&C's Factsheet typically reflect imports for consumption, the import statistics provided in the printing plates petitions and provided in the above table reflect general imports. In the petitions, the petitioner notes that imports for consumption include printing plates produced by the petitioner in, and subsequently withdrawn from, its Foreign Trade Zone (FTZ) facility; therefore, the petitioner states that general imports, which do not reflect merchandise withdrawn from an FTZ, provide an accurate and comprehensive basis for evaluating imports from China and Japan. Imports of printing plates enter under an HTSUS subheading that may cover subject and non-subject merchandise. Therefore, publicly available import data may not accurately reflect actual imports of printing plates covered by the scope of the investigations.

Other Case Information

- The petitioner is Eastman Kodak Company (Rochester, NY).
- For general information and next steps, please refer to a [list of initiation FAQs](#).
- In the China CVD petition, there are 16 alleged subsidy programs, including provisions of goods or services for less-than-adequate remuneration, preferential lending, export credit programs, tax programs, and grant programs. For more information on subsidy programs, please refer to the [subsidies enforcement library](#).
- Additional case information, including the scope of the investigations, is on file electronically via Enforcement and Compliance's Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Centralized Electronic Service System (ACCESS). Once you [log in](#), please refer to case numbers A-570-156, A-588-881, and C-570-157.
- To date, Commerce maintains 670 AD and CVD orders that provide relief to American companies and industries impacted by unfair trade.