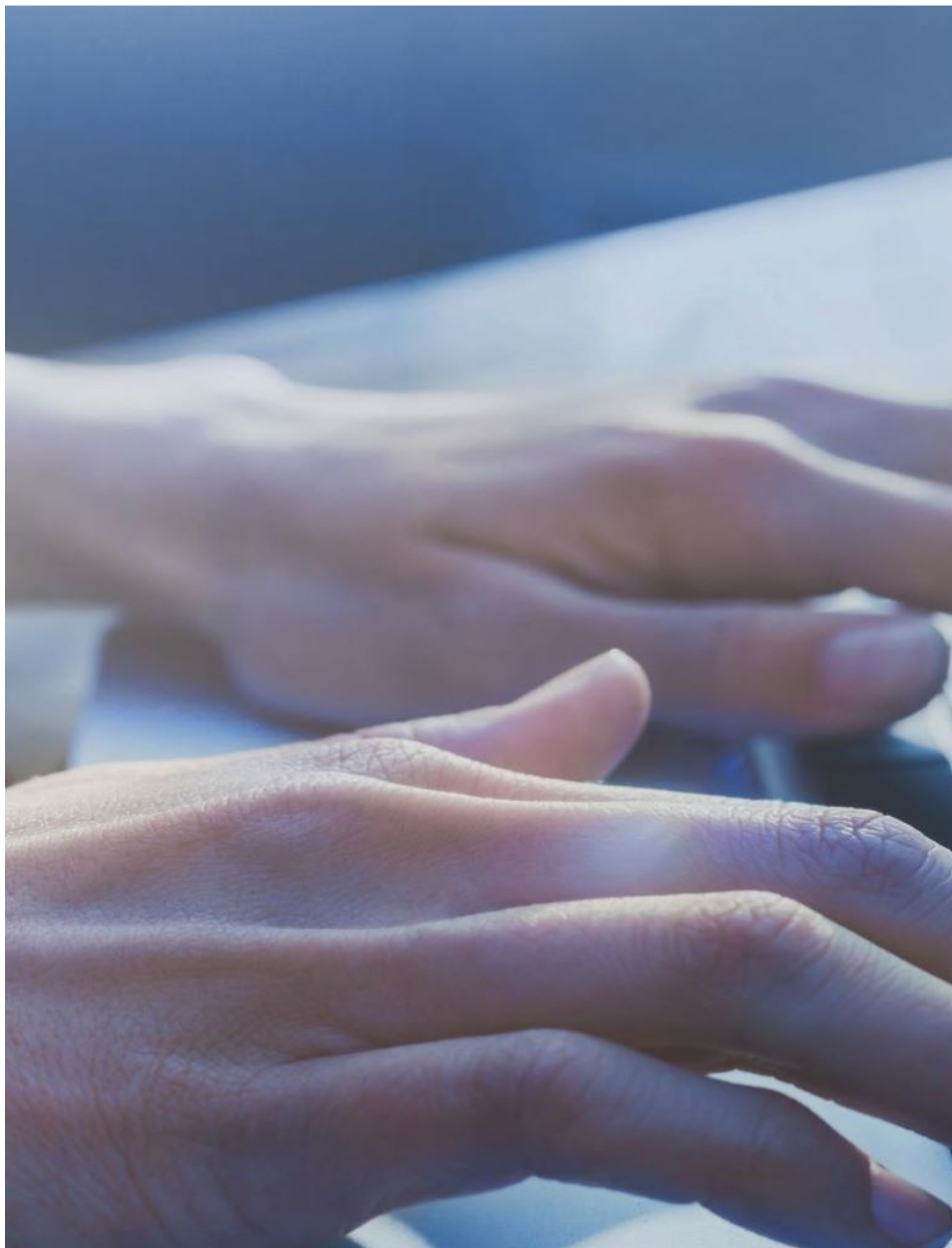




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Preliminary Affirmative Determination in the CVD Investigation of Certain Paper Shopping Bags from China and India

Preliminary Affirmative Determinations in the Countervailing Duty Investigations of Certain Paper Shopping Bags from the People’s Republic of China and India

On October 31, 2023, the U.S. Department of Commerce (Commerce) announced its preliminary affirmative determinations in the countervailing duty (CVD) investigations of certain paper shopping bags from the People’s Republic of China (China) and India.

Preliminary Subsidy Rates:

Country	Exporter/Producer	Subsidy Rates (percent)
China	Bagitan Packaging	144.03
	Changzhou Anjucheng	144.03
	Courage Packaging	144.03
	Dongzheng Paperbag (DaLian) Factory	12.43
	Evertrust Packaging	144.03

Country	Exporter/Producer	Subsidy Rates (percent)
Fujian Nanwang Environment Protection Scienc-Tech Co., Ltd. and its cross-owned affiliates, Zhuhai Zhongyue Paper Cup Container Co., Ltd.; Anhui Nanwang Environmental Protection Technology Co., Ltd., Xianghe Nanwang Environmental Protection Technology Co., Ltd.; and Hubei Nanwang Environmental Protection Technology Co., Ltd.	13.96	
Geotegrity EcoPack	144.03	
GrandIntelligent	144.03	
Li & Fung	144.03	
Qindao Chenyu Packaging Co., Ltd.	144.03	
Shanghai Macolink Supply Chain Management Co., Ltd.	144.03	
Shanghai Shanxi Paper Co., Ltd.	144.03	
Xiamen C&D Pulp & Paper Co., Ltd	144.03	

Country	Exporter/Producer	Subsidy Rates (percent)
Xiamen Champion FMCG	144.03	
Xiamen New Idea Packaging Co., Ltd.	144.03	
Xiamen Wonderful Bag Import and Export Co., Ltd.	144.03	
All Others	13.84	

Country	Exporter/Producer	Subsidy Rates (percent)
India	Aero Plast Packaging Solution Pvt. Ltd., Aero Plast Limited, and Aero Business Solutions Private Limited	5.00
	Velvin Paper Products and Velvin Packaging Solutions Private Limited	2.37
	All Others	3.47

Case Calendar:

Event	CVD INVESTIGATIONS
Petitions Filed	May 31, 2023
Commerce Initiation Date	June 20, 2023
ITC Preliminary Determination*	July 17, 2023
Commerce Preliminary Determinations	October 30, 2023
Commerce Final Determinations	March 11, 2024
ITC Final Determination**	April 25, 2024
Issuance of Orders***	May 2, 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. 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.

** This will take place only in the event of a final affirmative determination from Commerce.

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Import Statistics:

China	2020	2021	2022
Volume (KG)	82,161,424	112,185,158	108,682,148
Value (USD)	\$233,963,087	\$305,431,276	\$336,921,662
India	2020	2021	2022
Volume (KG)	6,628,296	19,339,502	33,641,195
Value (USD)	\$11,870,307	\$34,429,490	\$65,600,920

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, accessed through IHS Markit's Global Trade Atlas Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS) subheadings 4819.30.0040 and 4819.40.0040. Imports of certain paper shopping bags enter under HTSUS subheadings that may cover subject and non-subject merchandise. Therefore, publicly available import data may not accurately reflect actual imports of certain paper shopping bags covered by the scope of the investigations.

Other Case Information

- The petitioner is the Coalition for Fair Trade in Shopping Bags, the members of which include Novolex Holdings, LLC (Charlotte, NC) and the United Steel, Paper and Forestry, Rubber, Manufacturing, Energy, Allied Industrial and Service Workers International Union (Pittsburgh, PA).
- For general information and next steps, please refer to a [list of initiation FAQs](#).
- For more information on subsidy programs, please refer to the [subsidies enforcement library](#).
- Additional case information including the scope of the investigations, are 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 C-570-153 for China and C-533-918 for India.
- To date, Commerce maintains 671 AD and CVD orders that provide relief to American companies and industries impacted by unfair trade.