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On March 6, 2023, the U.S. Department of Commerce (Commerce) announced the initiation of antidumping duty (AD) investigations of melamine from Germany, India, Japan, the Netherlands, Qatar, and Trinidad and Tobago and countervailing duty (CVD) investigations of melamine from Germany, India, Qatar, and Trinidad and Tobago.

ALLEGED DUMPING RATES:

COUNTRY	DUMPING MARGINS (percent)
Germany	139.74% - 218.73%
India	393.82% - 632.74%
Japan	102.53% - 127.69%
The Netherlands	34.84% - 72.16%
Qatar	143.75% - 504.23%
Trinidad and Tobago	49.78% - 146.85%

ALLEGED SUBSIDY RATES:

COUNTRY	SUBSIDY RATES
Germany	<i>Above de minimis*</i>
India	<i>Above de minimis*</i>
Qatar	<i>Above de minimis*</i>
Trinidad and Tobago	<i>Above de minimis*</i>

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

CASE CALENDAR:

EVENT	AD INVESTIGATIONS	CVD INVESTIGATIONS
Petition(s) Filed	February 14, 2024	February 14, 2024
Commerce Initiation Date	March 5, 2024	March 5, 2024
ITC Preliminary Determinations*	April 1, 2023	April 1, 2024
Commerce Preliminary Determinations	July 23, 2024	May 9, 2024
Commerce Final Determinations	October 7, 2024	July 23, 2024
ITC Final Determinations**	November 21, 2024	September 6, 2024
Issuance of Orders***	November 29, 2024	September 13, 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:

Germany	2020	2021	2022
Volume (kg)	4,155,796	6,449,460	4,832,179
Value (USD)	\$7,312,122	\$23,915,736	\$8,874,190
India	2020	2021	2022
Volume (kg)	618,907	3,968,211	5,013,582
Value (USD)	\$812,015	\$8,834,862	\$10,022,645
Japan	2020	2021	2022
Volume (kg)	412,000	461,780	668,780
Value (USD)	\$738,700	\$1,519,966	\$1,227,282
The Netherlands	2020	2021	2022
Volume (kg)	6,900,900	10,568,975	6,721,100
Value (USD)	\$11,070,956	\$37,131,573	\$17,311,165
Qatar	2020	2021	2022

Volume (kg)	40,000	100,000	1,750,000
Value (USD)	\$57,900	\$341,823	\$3,980,240
Trinidad and Tobago	2020	2021	2022
Volume (kg)	11,400,000	16,600,000	4,000,000
Value (USD)	\$19,875,511	\$59,651,380	\$5,300,378

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, accessed through S&P Global Trade Atlas (Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS) subheading 2933.61.0000).

Other Case Information

- The petitioner is Cornerstone Chemical Company (Metairie, LA).
- For general information and next steps, please refer to a [list of initiation FAQs](#).
- Additional case information, including the scope of the investigations and alleged subsidy programs, 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 AD case number A-428-852 for Germany, A-533-924 for India, A-588-882 for Japan, A-421-817 for Netherlands, A-518-001 for Qatar, and A-274-810 for Trinidad and Tobago, and CVD case number C-428-853 for Germany, C-533-925 for India, C-518-002 for Qatar, and C-274-811 for Trinidad and Tobago.
- For more information on subsidy programs, please refer to the [subsidies enforcement library](#)
- To date, Commerce maintains 678 AD and CVD orders that provide relief to American companies and industries impacted by unfair trade.