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On December 3, 2024, the U.S. Department of Commerce (Commerce) announced its final affirmative determinations in the antidumping duty (AD) investigations of melamine from Germany, Japan, the Netherlands and Trinidad and Tobago, and countervailing duty (CVD) investigations of melamine from Germany, Qatar, and Trinidad and Tobago, and the final negative determination in the AD investigation of melamine from Qatar

Final Dumping Rates:

Germany

Exporter/Producer	Dumping Margin (Percent)	Cash Deposit Rate (Adjusted for Subsidy Offset) (Percent)
LAT Nitrogen Piesteritz GmbH	218.73*	N/A
All Others	179.24	N/A

*Rate based on facts available with adverse inferences.

Japan

Exporter/Producer	Dumping Margin (Percent)
Mitsui Chemicals, Inc.	127.69*
All Others	115.11

*Rate based on facts available with adverse inferences.

Netherlands

Exporter/Producer	Dumping Margin (Percent)
OCI Nitrogen B.V.	72.16*

Exporter/Producer	Dumping Margin (Percent)
All Others	53.50

*Rate based on facts available with adverse inferences.

Qatar

Exporter/Producer	Dumping Margin (Percent)	Cash Deposit Rate (Adjusted for Subsidy Offset) (Percent)
Qatar Melamine Company; Qatar Chemical and Petrochemical Marketing and Distribution Company Q.J.S.C.; Qatar Fertiliser Company P.S.C. (QAFCO)	0.00	NA

Trinidad and Tobago

Exporter/Producer	Dumping Margin (Percent)	Cash Deposit Rate (Adjusted for Subsidy Offset) (Percent)
Methanol Holdings (Trinidad) Limited	146.85**	NA
All Others	98.32	NA

*Consistent with the Preliminary Determination, because the companion countervailing duty investigation found no export subsidies, we have not offset the weighted-average dumping margins.
** Rate based on facts available with adverse inference

Final Subsidy Rates:

Germany

Exporter/Producer	Subsidy Rates (percent)
LAT Nitrogen Piesteritz GmbH	29.72*
All Others	29.72

*Rate based on facts available with adverse inferences.

Qatar

Exporter/Producer	Subsidy Rates (percent)
Qatar Melamine Company; Qatar Chemical and Petrochemical Marketing and Distribution Company Q.J.S.C.; Qatar Fertiliser Company P.S.C. (QAFCO)	41.91
All Others	41.91

Trinidad and Tobago

Exporter/Producer	Subsidy Rates (percent)
Methanol Holdings (Trinidad) Limited	7.43*
All Others	7.43

*Rate based on facts available with adverse inferences.

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	September 18, 2024	July 15, 2024
Commerce Final Determinations	December 2, 2024	December 2, 2024
ITC Final Determinations**	January 16, 2025	January 16, 2025
Issuance of Orders***	January 23, 2025	January 23, 2025

NOTE: Commerce's preliminary and final determination deadlines are governed by statute. For AD investigations, the deadlines are set forth in sections 733(b) and 735(a)(1) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act). For CVD investigations, the deadlines are set forth in sections 703(b) and 705(a)(1) of the Act.
* This will take place only in the event of final affirmative determinations by the International Trade Commission (ITC).

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

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 FAQs for the final determination.

To date, Commerce maintains 716 AD and CVD orders that provide relief to American companies and industries impacted by unfair trade.
Additional case information including the scope of the investigation, 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:

Germany A-428-852, C-428-853
Japan A-588-882
Netherlands A-421-817
Qatar A-518-001, C-518-002
Trinidad and Tobago A-274-810, C-274-811

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Global Business Navigator Chatbot Beta

Welcome to the Global Business Navigator, an artificial intelligence (AI) Chatbot from the International Trade Administration (ITA). This tool, currently in beta version testing, is designed to provide general information on the exporting process and the resources available to assist new and experienced U.S. exporters. The Chatbot, developed using Microsoft's Azure AI services, is trained on ITA's export-related content and aims to quickly get users the information they need. The Chatbot is intended to make the benefits of exporting more accessible by understanding non-expert language, idiomatic expressions, and foreign languages.

Limitations

As a beta product, the Chatbot is currently being tested and its responses may occasionally produce inaccurate or incomplete information. The Chatbot is trained to decline out of scope or inappropriate requests. The Chatbot's knowledge is limited to the public information on the Export Solutions web pages of Trade.gov, which covers a wide range of topics on exporting. While it cannot provide responses specific to a company's product or a specific foreign market, its reference pages will guide you to other relevant government resources and market research. Always double-check the Chatbot's responses using the provided references or by visiting the Export Solutions web pages on Trade.gov. Do not use its responses as legal or professional advice. Inaccurate advice from the Chatbot would not be a defense to violating any export rules or regulations.

Privacy

The Chatbot does not collect information about users and does not use the contents of users' chat history to learn new information. All feedback is anonymous. Please do not enter personally identifiable information (PII), sensitive, or proprietary information into the Chatbot. Your conversations will not be connected to other interactions or accounts with ITA. Conversations with the Chatbot may be reviewed to help ITA improve the tool and address harmful, illegal, or otherwise inappropriate questions.

Translation

The Chatbot supports a wide range of languages. Because the Chatbot is trained in English and responses are translated, you should verify the translation. For example, the Chatbot may have difficulty with acronyms, abbreviations, and nuances in a language other than English.