

Office of Trade Remedy Compliance

Supporting U.S. companies facing foreign antidumping, countervailing duty and safeguard investigations and encuring foreign governments comply with their international trade obligations

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On July 11, 2025, Mexico's International Commercial Practices Unit (UPCI) <u>initiated</u> an expiry review of its antidumping (AD) duty measure on imports of liquid caustic soda from the United States. Mexico's AD measure on liquid caustic soda has been in place since July 12, 1995. The AD duties currently in place for U.S. producers/exporters are \$195 USD per metric ton.

What is an expiry review?

An expiry review is also known as a sunset review, and its purpose is to determine whether the revocation of the AD or countervailing measure would be likely to lead to the continuation or recurrence of dumping or unfair subsidization and material injury to the domestic industry. The measure may only be extended beyond five years, counting from the date on which a measure was first instituted or the most recently completed expiry review, if both conditions are met.

How can I participate?

U.S. companies involved in the production, sale, or distribution of the subject goods should register as interested parties as soon as possible. Registration is the first step in protecting your rights in a foreign trade remedy proceeding. Doing so allows you to access the case records and submit information and comments, ensuring that your views are considered. To register as an interested party, please follow the instructions listed in the Initiation Notice.

KEY DATES				
Period of Investigation	April 1, 2024, through March 31, 2025			
Initial Questionnaire Response Deadline	August 20, 2024			
Preliminary Determination*	TBA			
Final Determination*	March 28, 2026			

*Estimated

Product Under Review

The subject merchandise is liquid caustic soda, which is sodium hydroxide in an aqueous solution. It is a versatile and widely used chemical with industrial and household applications, including for use in chemical manufacturing, aluminum processing, water treatment, paper production, and soap manufacturing.

The subject merchandise is classified under the following Harmonized Tariff Schedule (HS) code: 2815.12.01. A complete description of the scope can be found under Section G of the <u>Initiation Notice</u>.

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