
US DOC makes final determination in AD case of steel hangers from China

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The US Department of Commerce announced its affirmative final determination in the antidumping duty investigation of imports of steel wire garment hangers from China. Steel wire garment hangers are produced primarily for use by dry cleaning, industrial laundry, textile and uniform rental industries.

US DOC determined that exporters from China have sold steel wire garment hangers in the United States at 15.44% to 186.98% less than normal value. China's two mandatory respondents, Shanghai Wells Hanger Co Ltd and Shaoxing Metal Companies received final dumping rates of 15.44% and 94.06% respectively. Thirteen exporters qualified for a separate rate of 54.75%. All other exporters received a China-wide rate of 186.98%.

As a result of the affirmative final determination in the China investigation, Commerce will instruct US Customs and Border Protection to continue to collect a cash deposit or bond on entries of hangers from China based on the final rates for all companies.

The US International Trade Commission is scheduled to issue its final injury determination in the China investigation on or before September 22nd. If the ITC determines that imports from China are injuring, or threatening injury to, the domestic industry, Commerce will issue an AD order. If the ITC makes a negative injury determination, the China investigation will be terminated. The petitioner for this investigation is M&B Metal Products Company, Inc of Leeds, Ala.

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